The Second Annual Interdisciplinary Geriatrics Symposium will take place in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, on April 25 and 26, 2009, at Nova Southeastern University’s (NSU) Davie campus.

This GEC annual event is open to all individuals in the field. In a time of intergenerational shift, geriatricians and other practitioners need to prepare themselves for the changing characteristics of the baby boomers. They are not only numerous, but also different! In addition to the “classic” diseases, they suffer from chronic conditions associated with a sedentary lifestyle and the rich caloric intake of their generation. Although trained to treat older people with multiple diseases and functional decline, geriatricians are forced to develop alertness vis-à-vis the future of baby boomers. They will challenge our knowledge; expect us to provide state-of-the-art medical care and to have insight into new treatments.

This is why you need to be in Fort Lauderdale on April 25-26, 2009.

The major themes of the GEC symposium will be aging, nutrition, health promotion, and prevention of disability.

Topics to be discussed include Diabetes Management in the Elderly, Oral Health, Protecting the Feet, Osteoporosis, Falls and Fall Prevention, Elder Abuse, Obesity and the Elderly, Diversity in Health Care, and Assessing Cognition and Diagnosing Dementia, Improving Geriatric Care in the United States.

This year’s symposium program will include 11 presentations, two workshops, and poster sessions. The 2009 symposium runs in conjunction with Boomers and Beyond: A Day for Health and Wellness 2009, which is NSU’s annual senior health fair.

These two events are devoted to providing older adults in the community with the information and resources needed to live and age well and to providing information to professionals to help their patients do the same.

This event is our opportunity to give back to our community and to promote healthy living and well-being throughout adulthood.

We will also showcase the rich variety of services and resources available to adults living in Broward County.
The mission of the Florida Coastal Geriatric Resources, Education, and Training Center (GREAT GEC) is to provide interdisciplinary programs to maintain and improve the health of ethnically and culturally diverse older adults of Broward, Miami-Dade, Palm Beach, Charlotte, Collier, DeSoto, Glades, Henry, Lee, Martin, Palm Beach, Sarasota, and St. Lucie counties. It also educates and trains health professionals in health promotion and prevention, emphasizing undergraduate and graduate professional education and serving the needs of underserved with innovative teaching and clinical experiences.

Facilitated by a consortium, the GREAT GEC trains health professions students, faculty, and practitioners using an interdisciplinary team community-based model with sensitivity to the special requirements of culturally diverse elders in rural and urban service settings.

One of the cornerstones of the GECs throughout the United States is to encourage, enhance, and continually promote the profession of geriatrics to students at all levels of education. The GREAT GEC is committed to this important goal. The center and its faculty and staff realize that students must be involved in working with elders to understand and appreciate the rewards of a career in geriatrics.

GEC’s CONSORTIUM PARTNERS

ADRC - Aging & Disability Resource Center of Broward County

The Aging & Disability Resource Center (ADRC) of Broward County is a nonprofit organization serving Broward County's senior residents, age 60 or older. The Aging and Disability Resource Center plans, develops, coordinates, and evaluates programs, funds services, and is the prime advocate for residents of Broward County, Florida. The ADRC is a one-stop source of information regarding services in Broward County, Florida, for seniors, persons with severe and persistent mental illness, their families, and caregivers.

http://www.adrcbroward.org/

City of Pembroke Pines, SW Focal Point Senior Center

The SW Focal Point Senior Center is a nonprofit, county-run gathering place where older adults, age 60 and over, can participate in activities and share experiences with others. The center has a professional staff providing services for elders interested in improving their quality of life and maintaining a functionally intact status. Programs include nutrition, low-cost breakfast and lunch, recreation and leisure, health and related services, information and referral, counseling, adult day care, and transportation.

http://www.ppines.com/community/

West Palm Beach Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center

Opened in 1995, the West Palm Beach VA Medical Center provides primary- and secondary-level health care to approximately 70,000 eligible veterans in a seven-county area (Palm Beach, Martin, St. Lucie, Indian River, Okeechobee, Glades, and Henry). Comprehensive services include acute medical, surgical, and psychiatric inpatient and outpatient services in each specialty.

http://www.westpalmbeach.va.gov/

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Email: gec@nova.edu, Web: http://www.nova.edu/gec
PROGRAM OVERVIEW - OVERALL COURSE GOAL
This program is designed to provide health professions students, faculty, and practicing professionals with interdisciplinary solutions and strategies to address the clinical challenges of caring for the elderly and to provide innovative interdisciplinary geriatric education.

SYMPOSIUM OBJECTIVES
1. Provide clinical training in health promotion, disease prevention and recognition, and enhanced quality of life for older adults
2. Acquire multidisciplinary awareness relevant to the care of older adults
3. Acquire knowledge regarding public policy and the legislative process as they impact the health care delivery system for older adults
4. Provide culturally sensitive clinical training for health care providers, health professions students, and practicing professionals as it relates to older adults
5. Acquire knowledge to develop health care teams that can provide holistic coordinated services to older adults

TARGET AUDIENCE
Physicians, dentists, optometrists, audiologists, speech therapists, nurses, occupational and physical therapists, health care administrators, educators, health professions students, and others.

ADA
Please call if ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) accommodations are needed. For more information, contact David Gensure (954) 262-1072 or gensure@nova.edu.

GRIEVANCE POLICY
Complaints should be submitted in writing to The Department of Continuing Medical Education at NSU, Health Professions Division, Terry Bldg., 3200 South University Drive – Room 1379, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33328.

ACCREDITATION – ACCME
Nova Southeastern University College of Osteopathic Medicine is accredited by the ACCME to provide continuing medical education for physicians. This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the Essentials Areas and Policies of the Accreditation Council for continuing medical education through Nova Southeastern University College of Osteopathic Medicine.

Nova Southeastern University Health Professions Division designates this educational activity for a maximum of 11.5 hours towards the AMA Physician’s Recognition Award Category 1 Credit(s)™. Physicians should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

AOA
Nova Southeastern University College of Osteopathic Medicine is an accredited Category 1 sponsor of the American Osteopathic Association. 11.5 hours of continuing medical education credits in Category 1-A are being offered through the American Osteopathic Association for this program.

CEH
This symposium has been approved for 12.6 Continuing Education Hours in accordance with Florida Statutes for Physical Therapists, Physical Therapist Assistants, Occupational Therapists, and Occupational Assistants. Nursing, Mental Health and Social Workers’ credits have been applied for and are pending. PAs will receive a certificate of attendance for self-reporting.
# SYMPOSIUM AGENDA

## Second Annual Interdisciplinary Geriatrics Symposium:

**“Addressing the Clinical Challenges of Elder Care”**

**SATURDAY, APRIL 25, 2009 (Terry Building, Steele Auditorium)**

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SYMPOSIUM LECTURES

SATURDAY APRIL 25, 2009
All Saturday’s lectures will be held in Steele Auditorium, Health Professions Division (Terry Bldg.) on the NSU Main Campus (HPD map link is enclosed).

SOCIAL EVENT – SYMPOSIUM WELCOME RECEPTION

SATURDAY APRIL 25, 2009
All 2009 symposium delegates are invited to attend an Opening Night Reception in the Chancellor’s Dining Room, Health Professions Division (Terry Bldg.) on the NSU Main Campus. The Welcome Reception is planned to start at 5:00 p.m. (subject to change). Attendance is free of charge, but enrolment is required. If interested in attending, please do not forget to check this option during your online/mail registration.

This year, the faculty and staff of the GREAT GEC would like to invite you to the Opening Night Reception and international film premiere of The Lunch Box, on Saturday, April 25, from 5:00-7:00 p.m. This film was written, produced, and directed by Lubomir Mihailo Kocka, who was named the Best Young Filmmaker winner at the 2008 Tupelo Film Festival for his original production, The Honest Shepherd. Join us for the movie and a lively discussion and fellowship afterward.

WORKSHOPS

SUNDAY APRIL 26, 2009
Both workshops will be held in HPD Assembly Building II, Health Professions Division on NSU Main Campus (link for HPD map is enclosed).

POSTER PRESENTATIONS

BECOME AN EXHIBITOR

SATURDAY APRIL 25 AND SUNDAY APRIL 26, 2009
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CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION (CME)

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SIGN-IN SHEETS: Every discipline will have its own sign-in sheet and can apply for CE credits through its CE broker (e.g.: PT, OT, PA, Pharmacy, Nursing, Mental Health, and Social Workers).

CERTIFICATES OF ATTENDANCE: Please pick up your certificate of attendance at the registration desk (M.D., D.O.). For NON-M.D., D.O. symposium participants attending this program, a certificate of attendance may be requested by contacting NSU-HPD Office of Continuing Education at (954) 262-1639 or emailing susagonz@nova.edu up to 10 days after the completion of the program. DOCUMENTS AND BADGES: Symposium documents should be collected onsite at the registration desk. Name badges must be worn at all times during the symposium and in the exhibition area.

FEEDBACK – QUESTIONNAIRES AND EVALUATION FORMS: Please take a moment to fill out aforementioned forms and drop them off at the symposium registration desk. Your feedback is very important to us. Help us with your comments and suggestions as we work on the 2010 symposium. Your cooperation is very much appreciated.
We encourage all potential symposium participants to register early - before April 5, 2009, and take advantage of early bird discounts (20 percent off). NSU residents and students may attend FREE of charge. Please note: Even if you are not charged for symposium fees, you have to register. Everyone attending the symposium must complete a registration form. Thank you.

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PARTICIPANT’S REGISTRATION FEE INCLUDES
Symposium Program (lectures and/or workshops) * Educational Materials * Opening Night Reception Program * Abstract/Presentation Collection (electronic version) * Access to Poster and Product/Services Exhibitions * Meals as indicated in the symposium agenda *

REGISTER AND PAY ONLINE: [http://www.nova.edu/cwis/com/ce/interdisciplinary_symposium.html](http://www.nova.edu/cwis/com/ce/interdisciplinary_symposium.html)
REGISTER VIA EMAIL: Register per email: please download the registration form and send it to gec@nova.edu.
REGISTER VIA FAX: Register by filling out symposium registration form and fax it to (954) 262-2702.
REGISTER VIA MAIL: Send your registration form to the following address:

REGISTRATIONS VIA EMAIL, FAX, MAIL
PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO “NSU - GREAT GEC”

Submit your registration form and payment to:
Nova Southeastern University, GREAT GEC
Re: Symposium Registration
Health Professions Division, College of Osteopathic Medicine
3446 S. University Drive, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33328
Phone: (954) 262-1078 Fax: (954) 262-2702 Email: gec@nova.edu

CANCELLATION AND REFUND POLICY
All cancellations must be sent to the GREAT GEC in writing. Before April 17, 2009, your payment is refundable in full. After April 17, 2009, NO refund will be provided.
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Addressing the Clinical Challenges of Elder Care

April 25 - 26, 2009 ♦ NSU Main Campus, Fort Lauderdale, Florida
Florida Coastal Geriatric Resources, Education, and Training Center (GREAT GEC)

REGISTRATION FORM

Name:_____________________________________________________________

Degree(s) or Discipline:______________________________________________

Institution:___________________________________________________________

Address:____________________________________________________________

City:__________________________ State:___________________ Zip:____________

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Total amount enclosed: $___________________Check #________________________

CME/CE INFORMATION
Are you applying for CME/CE’s? If so, what is your:

Profession:________________________________ License #:____________________

WELCOME RECEPTION
Will you be attending the Welcome Reception on Saturday, April 25, 2009, 5:00– 7:00 p.m.?
☐ YES  ☐ NO

SPECIAL NEEDS
☐ Wheel Chair  ☐ Vegetarian Meals  ☐ Hearing Assistance Device

ADA STATEMENT
☐ Check here if ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) accommodation is needed.
Please specify:_____________________________Contact:_____________________by:_____________

Please post and/or distribute this registration form to all interested parties.

We look forward to seeing you in Fort Lauderdale!
The GREAT GEC is funded by the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA).
NSU College of Osteopathic Medicine hosts its Second Annual Interdisciplinary Geriatrics Symposium: “Addressing the Clinical Challenges of Elder Care” at NSU Main Campus, Health Professions Division (Terry Bldg.). This destination is just minutes from downtown Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport in Fort Lauderdale.

**BY AIR**
Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport

Miami International Airport

**BY CAR**
NSU Main Campus driving directions and maps
[http://www.nova.edu/locations/maps/maincampus.html](http://www.nova.edu/locations/maps/maincampus.html)

NSU Main Campus Map
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**NSU CAMPUS PARKING**
Parking space for the public as well as event vendors will be available in the Health Professions Division (HPD) Garage (“19G in orange” on the NSU campus map). Please park your car here; this is the closest and most convenient location.

**Directions to the Health Professions Division Building, 3200 South University Drive:** from I-95, north or south, or Florida’s Turnpike, north or south, take I-595 exit, westbound. Proceed on I-595 to University Drive, turn left and proceed southbound on University Drive to SW 30th Street. Pass the SW 30th street intersection (Firestone and Walgreens), make a left hand turn at the first traffic light beyond the intersection (NSU - Main West Entrance). Continue towards the parking garage (follow the Continuing Education Event signs). Once in the parking garage, go to upper levels of garage for parking. Elevators are located at the west side of the garage. Please be sure that dashboard pass is displayed. The HPD/Terry Administrative Building is located southwest of the garage.
ACCOMMODATION

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Renaissance Hotel Fort Lauderdale-Plantation
http://www.renaissanceplantation.com/

Hilton Fort Lauderdale Airport
www.fortlauderdaleairport.hilton.com

Lago Mar (Beachfront)
http://www.lagomar.com/

Marriott Harbor Beach Resort & Spa
http://www.marriotttharborbeach.com/

Comfort Suites Ft. Lauderdale Airport-West
http://www.comfortsuites.com/

Marriott - Courtyard Fort Lauderdale Plantation
http://www.marriott.com/

WELCOME TO FORT LAUDERDALE

Welcome to Fort Lauderdale!

We are delighted to be holding our 2009 symposium in the famous city of Fort Lauderdale, Florida. The city is widely known as one of the most beautiful in the world and it is sure to attract many participants. We hope that you will be able to join us for what promises to be an exciting meeting, both scientifically and culturally, and we look forward to seeing you in Fort Lauderdale.

About Fort Lauderdale

Fort Lauderdale, known as the "Venice of America" due to its expansive and intricate canal system, is a city in Broward County, Florida, United States. It is the county seat of Broward County, and a principal city of the South Florida metropolitan area, which is home to over five million people.

The city is a popular tourist destination, with 10.35 million visitors in 2006. Fort Lauderdale is a major yachting center, with 42,000 resident yachts and 100 marinas and boatyards. Fort Lauderdale and its suburbs host over 4100 restaurants and 120 nightclubs.

Fort Lauderdale is named after a series of forts built by the United States during the Second Seminole War. However, development of the city did not begin until 50 years after the forts were abandoned at the end of the conflict. Three forts named "Fort Lauderdale" were constructed; the first was at the fork of the New River, the second at Tarpon Bend, in what is now known as the Sailboat Bend neighborhood, and the third near the site of the Bahia Mar Marina. The forts took their name from Major William Lauderdale, who was the commander of the detachment of soldiers who built the first fort.


**FLORIDA ATTRACTIONS, MUSEUMS, SHOPPING**

**ATTRACTIONS**

**Bar-B-Ranch**  
Broward County's oldest and largest public riding stable offers ponies and horses for all ages and levels of riding experience. Scenic trail rides, pony rides, lessons and day camp are offered on and off the farm in Davie.

**Bass Pro Shops Outdoor World**  
New 160,000 sq. ft. showroom dedicated to the outdoor enthusiast, including fishing, hunting, boating, camping, athletics and golf. Features indoor waterfall, archery and shooting range, aquarium, and restaurant.

**Billie Swamp Safari**  
Swamp Buggy exo-tours and airboat rides, alligator and snake show, swamp critter show, gift shop and Swamp Water Cafe.

**Boomers! Greater Fort Lauderdale**  
The latest state-of-the-art video games, go-kart racing and Outlaw Kart racing, rock wall, miniature golf, batting cages, bumper boats, wave rider, Magic Tea Cups, Frog Hopper, Caribbean Carousel, Rollercoaster, laser tag and the Blender thrill ride!

**Dolphin Swim**  
Keys Adventure Tours lets you choose from two unforgettable swim with the Dolphin Experiences. Come on in, the water's fine and we don't bite! Dolphins are the most gentle and intelligent mammals next to humans and even more so once you meet them! Swim with the Dolphins in an adventurous experience when you visit them in the Florida Keys.

**Downtown A&E Trolley Line**  
Travel quickly, easily and conveniently to restaurants, shopping and the arts in Fort Lauderdale's celebrated Riverwalk Arts & Entertainment District aboard the trolley service provided by the Downtown Development Authority. Ride for 50 cents throughout the Riverwalk Arts & Entertainment District, from the Arts & Entertainment Garage (opposite the Broward Center for the Performing Arts) through Old Fort Lauderdale Village, Las Olas Boulevard, The Museum of Art, Stranahan House, A1A to Vistamar, and points in between.

**Dragonfly Expeditions**  
The Florida Everglades Backwater Tour: travel the wild backwaters on a private tour with our experienced field biologists and naturalist guides for a day of discovery and exploration in one of the world's most threatened and beautiful wild places – The Florida Everglades and Big Cypress Preserve. Also available: multi-day journeys seeing art on Las Olas Blvd, exploring the New River by bike, nautical wanderings through Broward County, old Florida horseback journey and unexpected and unforgettable Greater Fort Lauderdale.

**Gondola Tours**  
Authentic gondola tours for history enthusiasts and romantics alike. Imported Venetian gondolas for hire in the heart of the "Venice of America." Tours are always private.

**Gulfstream Park Racing and Casino**  
Casino gaming with Vegas style slots, world-class thoroughbred racing, no limit poker, fine dining and live entertainment. Live racing January through April.

**Jungle Queen Riverboat**  
Famous barbeque and shrimp dinner cruise with variety show and all-you-can-eat dinner.

**River Taxi**  
Experienced and informative captains, convenient stops and on call service. Efficient and economical. Eleven stops between Beach Place and downtown during regularly scheduled hours.

**Riverfront Cruises & Anticipation Yachts**  
Cruise the calm waters of Fort Lauderdale's magnificent inland canals in safe and comfortable luxury yachts.

**Sea Experience Glassbottom Boat & Snorkeling Tours**  
Two trips daily, 10:15 a.m. and 2:15 p.m.

**Seminole Hard Rock Hotel & Casino**  
The Seminole Hard Rock Hotel and Casino, an 86-acre resort featuring a 130,000-square-foot casino, is approximately eight miles from Fort Lauderdale/Hollywood International Airport. Free $5 slot play with new player sign up! More than 2,000 gaming machines, 48 poker tables, daily tournaments and mini-tournaments.
**MUSEUMS**

**Ah-Tah-Thi-Ki Museum** The Seminole Tribe of Florida presents their history and culture through exhibits, rare artifacts, dramatic film, nature trails and a "living" village.

**Bonnet House Museum & Gardens** is a 35-acre subtropical, historical museum.

**Fort Lauderdale Antique Car Museum** presents private collection of Packards dating from 1909-40 in a recreated showroom and memorabilia including dashboard clocks, hood ornaments and more.

**International Fishing Hall of Fame** The International Game Fish Association's $32 million facility offers stunning visual settings and exciting interactive experiences, including simulated fishing. It provides an extraordinary setting for any business meeting or social event.

**International Swimming Hall of Fame Museum & Aquatic Complex** This swimming and diving facility is open daily for lap swimming and water aerobics and hosts national and international aquatic competitions. A museum houses over 10,000 square feet of Olympic memorabilia from over 100 nations, honoring the world's greatest aquatic stars.

**Museum of Art / Fort Lauderdale** Features impressive permanent CoBrA art collection.

**Museum of Discovery and Science and AutoNation IMAX Theater** Spend a day of discovery exploring hundreds of interactive exhibits. You can hang out with bats, alligators, turtles, sharks and explore Florida's amazing Everglades. Be charmed by a 12-foot snake, pet a big green iguana or fly like an astronaut on the Mars Rover. And immerse yourself in a five-story giant screen adventure at the AutoNation® IMAX® Theater.

**Seminole Okalee Indian Village** Explore the history and culture of the Seminole Indians featuring an authentic Seminole Village with Tribal members demonstrating their world famous arts and crafts. Over 30 different species of animals are on exhibit. Surrounded by native animal exhibits include the endangered Florida panther, alligators, river otters, fox, birds, and more. Wildlife shows, alligator presentations, and animal feedings on the weekends.

**Seminole Okalee Indian Village & Museum** Explore the unconquered spirit of the Seminole Indians. Journey through and authentic Seminole Indian Camp surrounded by native animals including alligators, river otters, panthers, black bear, and more. Over 30 species on exhibit, deep water alligator wrestling, arts and crafts demonstration, wildlife shows, animal encounters, and photo-ops.

**Stranahan House** Preserved turn-of-the-century house furnished with antiques of the era. Stranahan House is the oldest structure in Broward County.

**Broward Center for the Performing Arts** State-of-the-art complex situated on the banks of the New River allows your guests to arrive by boat for a truly dramatic evening! BCPA is home to the finest Broadway productions, musicals, opera, dance and children's shows.

**Ah-Tah-Thi-Ki Museum at Okalee** Features Seminole genre, paintings, colorful patchwork displays, and vintage photos.

**Billie Swamp Safari** Swamp Buggy exo-tours and airboat rides, alligator and snake show, swamp critter show, gift shop and Swamp Water Cafe.

**Butterfly World** Thousands of live, rainbow-hued butterflies dwell in ten acres of waterfalls, orchids, roses and tropical gardens that are also home to fish, hummingbirds, lorikeet, insectarium, butterfly farm and outdoor cafe.

**Everglades Day Safari** Your Everglades Day Safari will be an exciting adventure through the different kingdoms that make up the Everglades. You will be accompanied by a highly trained guide who will discuss the past, present and future of this truly unique area. Includes a jungle cruise, nature walk, lunch, drive and airboat ride.
**Everglades Holiday Park - Sightseeing Tours** offer a journey on an airboat through the "River of Grass", expert fishing guide tours, fishing facilities, boat rentals and 24-hr. general store.

**Flamingo Gardens & Wray Botanical Collection** are 60-acre botanical gardens & wildlife sanctuary - exotic and native plants, Florida's "Champion" trees, alligators, flamingos, bobcats & Florida Panthers, Bird of Prey Center & free-flight walk through aviary.

**Riverwalk Arts & Entertainment District** Offering the area's best arts and entertainment venues along with great restaurants, shopping, and lodging and heritages sites in a lush, tropical park setting. Major cultural attractions are Broward Center for the Performing Arts, Fort Lauderdale Historical Society, Florida Grand Opera, Museum of Art / Fort Lauderdale and Stranahan House.

**SHOPPING**

**Seminole Paradise** 12 themed restaurants and dining options, 11 high-energy nightclubs and entertainment venues and 22 distinct retail shops. Enjoy spectacular sites and sounds of the Fountains at Paradise at night.

**Sawgrass Mills** Florida's largest retail and entertainment center features 350 name-brand stores, outlets, restaurants cinemas and entertainment venues. Home to Wannado City, America's first indoor role-playing theme park for kids! The Colonnade Outlets, an exclusive new collection of luxury outlets and elegant dining in a foliaged, open-air promenade. Mon-Sat 10am-9:30pm, Sun 11am-8pm. Restaurants, cinemas and entertainment venues have extended hours.

**IKEA** Florida's first IKEA store offering a wide range of home furnishings and accessories of good design and function at low prices so the majority of the people can afford them.

**Las Olas Boulevard** Where the chic shop, where fashion trends are set, where strolling window shoppers chat in a dozen languages, and where visitors young and old gather to please their palates, to be entertained and to be delighted.

**Las Olas Riverfront** A shopping, dining, and entertainment center overlooking the New River in the heart of Downtown Fort Lauderdale. Boutiques, bars, restaurants, and riverfront cruises.

**The Galleria Mall** Neiman-Marcus, Saks, Macy's, Dillard's, Red Door Spa, restaurants, nightlife. Galleria Mall offers world-class shopping, dining, and nightlife along the beachfront (between A1A and Federal Hwy, Fort Lauderdale).

**Downtown Hollywood** Characterized by quaint sidewalk cafes, brick-lined walks and six blocks of unique boutiques, shops, art galleries and dozens of restaurants.

**Weston Town Center** Discover the heart and soul of the Weston community featuring premier one-of-a-kind boutiques, upscale salons and casual or fine dining, casual and fine dining live entertainment, and special events.

**Swap Shop** Largest indoor-outdoor flea market in South Florida. Air-conditioned entertainment and food court area.
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