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A GUIDE TO
THE LOCAL LIVE
MUSIC SCENE

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THE ARTS ISSUE

MUST-SEE EXHIBITS, UP-AND-COMING ARTISTS, A NEW
PUBLIC MURAL PROJECT, AND MORE

SPOT
LIGHT

COURTESY OF MICHAEL BEGLEITER



MICHAEL BEGLEITER, NIGHT OWL ENTERTAINMENT

Booking a gig at one of the venues on these pages isn't as easy as picking up the phone and asking if you can play. There's a lot of talent here, which means a lot of competition. Palm Beach Gardens resident Michael Begleiter, who founded the talent agency Night Owl Entertainment in 2015 to help local venues book music, offers helpful tips for bands looking for gigs. "Don't just reach out and send a link to audio," he says. "You need a professional press kit with bios, high-resolution photos, reviews, and press. An active, engaging on-line presence is also important." A musician himself, Begleiter suggests newer bands keep an eye out for open jams or "new band nights" at local venues like Swampgrass Willy's. thenightowlagency.com

The music: everything from reggae to rock to pop; country artist Ricky Young plays every Thursday and Saturday

Good to know: This place can draw a big crowd (especially on Ricky Young nights), so come early for dinner and grab a prime table near the stage

Upcoming Shows

Jan. 6: Ricky Young
Jan. 12: Kellie & Steve
Jan. 19: Killbillies
Jan. 26: Latitudes
Feb. 4: Matt Hilton

FAMILY FUN

Riverwalk, Stuart
rocknriverwalk.com

The scene: outdoor venue in downtown Stuart along the St. Lucie River with lawn and bleacher seating; vendors and shops nearby; very family friendly; pets welcome

The music: Rock'n Riverwalk series runs every Sunday from 1-4 p.m., featuring local musicians and tribute bands

Good to know: A free shuttle runs to the site from Osceola, Sailfish, and Kwanis Park from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sundays

Upcoming Shows

Jan. 7: Jupiter Rock Farm
Jan. 14: Live Bait
Jan. 21: The Andrew Morris Band
Jan. 28: The Rockabilly Boogie Band
Feb. 4: Dark Side of Sol

CROWD PLEASER

Swampgrass Willy's, Palm Beach Gardens
swampgrasswillys.net

The scene: casual sports bar with TVs, pool, darts, burgers, beer, booze, and solid

live music; lively late-night crowd

The music: up-and-coming artists playing rock, pop, country, punk, indie rock, and more

Good to know: Their happy hour goes until 7 p.m. Monday through Friday, so enjoy discounted drinks before the show

Upcoming Shows

Jan. 6: Courage
Jan. 13: 46 & Tool
Jan. 20: The Hot Seat
Jan. 27: Florida Rock Zone

VINTAGE VIBE

Harry and the Natives, Hobe Sound
harryandthenatives.com

The scene: Old Florida atmosphere; family-owned for more than 55 years; unique and quirky vibe; down-home cooking

The music: acoustic and solo acts, Americana, Southern rock

Good to know: The family business has been around since 1941, and current owner/chef Harry MacArthur grew up in the restaurant. Spend some time checking out all the vintage Florida memorabilia and quirky signs around the venue

Upcoming Shows

Jan. 6: Jupiter Narrows
Jan. 12: The Old Hippies
Jan. 13: Traller Trash
Jan. 19: Acoustic Soul
Jan. 20: Collective Soul

ULTIMATE CHILL

Square Grouper, Jupiter
squaregrouper.net

The scene: popular tiki bar on the water overlooking the Jupiter Lighthouse with a casual, laid-back vacation vibe; boat docks on-site for those arriving by water; burgers



COURTESY OF DOUBLE ROADS

KILLBILLIES



A regular on the local music scene since 2010, the Killbillies have a unique sound inspired by Celtic/Irish music infused with bits of Americana, punk, and rock. The trio—Ben Childs of Tequesta, and Palm Beach Gardens residents Hector Diaz and James Galiano—play a multitude of instruments including guitar, drums, banjo, saxophone, and upright bass and put on some of the most high-energy shows around. The band released their fourth album, *Back to Basics*, in 2022 and just came off a tour of the Southeast. Later this year, they'll hit the road again, but in the meantime, you can catch a show at Tiki 52 in Tequesta on January 19 starting at 6:30 p.m.. Childs and Diaz also host the *561 Music* podcast featuring different artists and venue owners every week (on January 4, they will be podcasting live from Double Roads in Jupiter). Says Childs: "I made almost all my friends through the local music scene. It's a big musical family here." killbillies.net; 561music.com

and sandwiches on the menu

The music: a little bit of everything—country, pop, top 40, classic rock, funk, reggae, bluegrass

Good to know: The video for Alan Jackson's hit "It's Five O'clock Somewhere" featuring Jimmy Buffett was shot here

Upcoming Shows

Jan. 6: Riverdown

Jan. 12: Stacy's Soul

Jan. 13: The Happiness Club

Jan. 20: Axcents

Jan. 26: Miss Dempsey's Class

SUDS & SOUNDS

Tequesta Brewing Co., Tequesta

tequestabrewing.com

The scene: friendly neighborhood microbrewery with a wide selection of craft beers on tap; special weekly events; dog-friendly

The music: country, pop, indie rock, reggae, soul, hip-hop—anything goes

Good to know: They serve a ton of tasty craft beers but no liquor. If you like the beer you're drinking, ask to take a growler home with you

Upcoming Shows

Jan. 5: Joey Calderalo Band

Jan. 13: Anniversary Block Party

Jan. 19: Alex Z Duo

Jan. 26: Antares Band

Feb. 17: The Kinected

ALL THAT JAZZ

Side Door Jazz Club, Stuart

sidedoorjazzclub.com

The scene: upscale jazz club with a 1920s speakeasy feel; classic cocktails, wide selection of bourbon, bar bites

The music: national and local jazz

artists such as the Billy Cofrances Jazz Quartet, the Mickey Freeman Quartet, and Maurice Frank

Good to know: It's only open on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and it can take a minute to find the "side door"—the club is located in the East Ocean Pub behind Walgreens, off SE Monterey Road

Upcoming Shows

Jan. 4 & 18: Billy Cofrances Jazz Quartet

Jan. 11 & 25: Mickey Freeman Jazz Quartet

Quartet



Square Grouper (right and above); Taking Back Sunday play the Abacoa Amphitheater during DASToberfest (top right).

