

A photograph of a young child with curly hair, wearing a blue and white striped shirt, smiling while playing on a colorful playground structure. The structure has a green roof and yellow and green sides. The child is holding onto a rope. In the background, an adult is partially visible. The playground is set on a purple safety mat.

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THE NEWSLETTER OF YOUR VILLAGE GOVERNMENT

# Sun

In the Spotlight  
**The Upper Gardens is Open**





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The Pinecrest Gardens Upper Gardens Project is complete and open to the public. The improvements to the upper garden area are centered around accessibility compliance with the Americans with Disability Act (ADA), and include an ADA accessible playground, toddler space, and supporting bathrooms. There is also a new petting zoo, sensory garden, and an improved picnic area. A portion of the construction costs are offset by a \$250,000 grant from the State of Florida.

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Safety Tips

### REST ROUTINE

IN THREE EASY STEPS

### PINECREST

- 1 - REMOVE ALL valuables & keys from cars.
- 2 - LOCK ALL car & home windows & doors.
- 3 - TURN ON ALL exterior lights & alarms.

Report suspicious activity by calling 911 or 305.234.2100.  
Be safe. Be Kind. #Pinecresting

# a MESSAGE to the VILLAGE

## MAYOR'S MESSAGE

*Joseph M. Corradino*

The Upper Gardens at Pinecrest Gardens is open to the public. This exciting renovation and expansion of the space is American with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant, so that everyone can enjoy this special venue in the heart of Pinecrest. It features new restrooms and an accessible playground, as well as an expanded sensory learning garden focusing on all-inclusive activities.

I invite you to walk through the new moon gate from the meadow and be transported to a unique, all-inclusive playground that combines art and nature through whimsical designs featuring a lizard, a frog, a spider, and other garden creatures.

Explore nature trails that lead visitors to a new petting zoo that features three interactive shelters where visitors can learn about and pet the animals. The backyard to those shelters is a large open space where zoo animals can roam freely. An animal barn gives visitors the opportunity to learn and interact with miniature horses, goats, sheep, pigs, chickens, and rabbits.

The Upper Garden Improvement Conceptual Master Plan, commissioned by the Village Council in 2019, provided the vision for future facility enhancements that improve program access and make Pinecrest Gardens a world-class facility. I am proud to say that the Village has delivered this and more. The joy and education opportunities the Upper Gardens will bring to everyone - irrespective of ability—is priceless and is one-of-a-kind in the South Miami-Dade region.

For more information about Pinecrest Gardens, please visit [www.pinecrest-fl.gov](http://www.pinecrest-fl.gov). As always, I am available for any comments or questions. You can call me or text me at 305.606.2364 or email me at [jcorradino@pinecrest-fl.gov](mailto:jcorradino@pinecrest-fl.gov).



## MANAGER'S MESSAGE

*Yocelyn Galiano*

The budgeting process for the Fiscal Year 2022-23 is well underway and September will provide two opportunities for the Village Council to consider the proposed budget during public hearings that will take place on September 13 and 22 at 6 p.m. While experiencing the effects of higher costs of doing business due to supply chain shortages and turbulence overseas, the proposed budget keeps a steadfast focus on Pinecrest's core mission.

The proposed Fiscal Year 2022-23 Budget and Capital Improvement Program establishes an action plan that provides the most effective and efficient use of available resources necessary to achieve the short and long-term aspirations of the Village Council, as identified in the Village Council's Strategic Plan. The recommended budget, which proposes a millage rate of 2.35 mills per \$1,000 of taxable value, observes a fiscally conservative approach, considering the financial impacts of an expected mild recession. It also facilitates a proactive stance to maximize on opportunities that have manifested due the above-mentioned economic hardships.

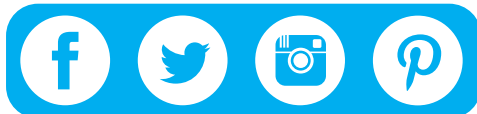
This has been a banner year in funding for the Village. In fact, the amount of funding the Village received this year is more than all years, cumulatively. This year, the Village has received approximately \$10M from the state and federal government and has benefited from the Florida Power & Light pilot program which undergrounds 50 miles of powerlines by the end of 2022. The Village retains its triple-A bond rating, the highest possible standard achievable by a bond issuer. This rating confirms Pinecrest's financial strength and its ability to make interest payments and repay the principal of bonds when due.

I invite residents to participate in the public hearings. The hearings are also available to view at [www.pinecrest-fl.gov/live](http://www.pinecrest-fl.gov/live).



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# POLICE DEPARTMENT

Contact the police directly via text by using the SAFERWATCH app, which routes messages to the Police Department's 911 Communications Center. For more information and to download the app, please visit [www.saferwatchapp.com/pinecrest](http://www.saferwatchapp.com/pinecrest).

## CAR SAFETY

The safety of our residents is a top priority. A significant portion of our public safety mission is accomplished through positive community interactions, crime prevention tactics, and effective policing.

Overall crime in the Village remains at some of the lowest levels in our history but that does not mean we are immune to crime. Vehicle thefts remain an issue for the South Florida region, and we still get the occasional opportunistic criminals looking for easy targets.

Criminals steal cars for a few reasons. Stolen cars are often used to commit other crimes. They can also be sold for parts. In South Florida, stolen cars are also shipped off and sold overseas. Stolen cars can be used for a joy ride and later abandoned. In all cases, the car owner feels angry, vulnerable, frustrated, and/or afraid. Car owners can minimize the likelihood of being taken advantage of by employing easy prevention measures.

The most common reason cars are stolen is because they are left unlocked, with the key fob left in the vehicle. Common sense crime prevention tips offer proven and cost-effective methods to deter criminal activity. The Police Department and thousands of agencies across the country remind everyone to be vigilant, lock their doors, remove the key fob, and secure their belongings wherever they go. We encourage residents to put these tips into practice.

# LOCK IT or LOSE IT



REPORT ANY SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY, CALL 911

## SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING

We encourage residents to contact police anytime they see anything suspicious or if they have been the victim of a crime. Please do not hesitate to contact us. The more police learn from residents, the better prepared we are to address issues. Residents should use the non-emergency number to report suspicious activity at 305.234.2100. Always dial 911, during an emergency.

## PUBLIC SAFETY

Police operations are planned to promote public safety. Our officers interact with the community daily while conducting watch orders, park details, and park and walks throughout the Village. Police also use traffic enforcement to increase public safety. Other tactics include deploying police speed detection trailers and police cruisers at strategic locations to increase perceived police presence. In addition to regular police duties, the Community Resource Team (CRT) works closely with residents and local

businesses to promote crime prevention and community relations. The department frequently broadcasts crime prevention and safety tips through social media channels and the SaferWatch app.

Police and the community have an interdependent relationship with a common goal—public safety. If we work together, the criminals will not stand a chance. Put the above tips in action, get connected with the police, and follow us on social media.





# NEWS & NOTES

## SWALE 101

The swale, in Public Works speak is the grassed area between a private property line and the edge of the pavement of the adjacent road. The dictionary defines a swale as a low-lying or depressed, and often wet stretch of land. The generally accepted engineering definition is a shallow channel with gently sloping sides. A swale may be either natural or man-made. Artificial swales are often infiltration basins, designed to manage water runoff, filter pollutants, and increase rainwater infiltration.

Top three things to know as a Village resident:

- The maintenance of the swale is the responsibility of the abutting property owner
- Reflectors also known as “lollipops” are not permitted in swale area
- Only sod and street trees are permitted in the swale. Find out more about the Village’s Street Tree program at [www.pinecrest-fl.gov/trees](http://www.pinecrest-fl.gov/trees).

You can help the environment by maintaining your swale. Mow the swale regularly. Remove and compost leaves and grass clippings, and do not use fertilizers, pesticides, or herbicides as required by Village code. Refrain from piling garbage, trash, leaves, limbs, or garden debris in swales as this adds pollutants which can wash into downstream waters—and eventually, Biscayne Bay. There’s no good reason to irrigate a swale. If constructed properly, a swale is a naturally moist area in no need of additional water. Similar to the Everglades, it does not need irrigation.

Swales serve as the primary drainage system for most Village roads. They retain, detain, or convey runoff generated by the adjacent roadway and overflow from adjacent properties. Swales often have inlets that collect more runoff that is sent to a French drain or to be discharged into a nearby canal or lake. Swales remove sediments, nutrients, and pollutants from runoff, which improves the quality of ground water and surface waters.

Swales also play a role in transportation. They provide a safe multi-modal location for pedestrians and cyclists by providing an area for sidewalks or shared-use paths. Swales provide a location to install traffic signals, light poles, and traffic-related signage. Swales are used to locate public utilities, both above ground and below ground. Examples include drainage, water, sewer, gas, electric, and communications—both fiber optic and cable. Swales also provide space to place and store debris for pick up after a natural disaster.

It is easy to report a swale that is not being properly maintained. Use the MyPinecrest App by visiting [www.pinecrest-fl.gov/app](http://www.pinecrest-fl.gov/app). You can download the app or use the desktop version. For more information about swales or public works, please visit [www.pinecrest-fl.gov/publicworks](http://www.pinecrest-fl.gov/publicworks), email [publicworks@pinecrest-fl.gov](mailto:publicworks@pinecrest-fl.gov) or call 305.669.6916.

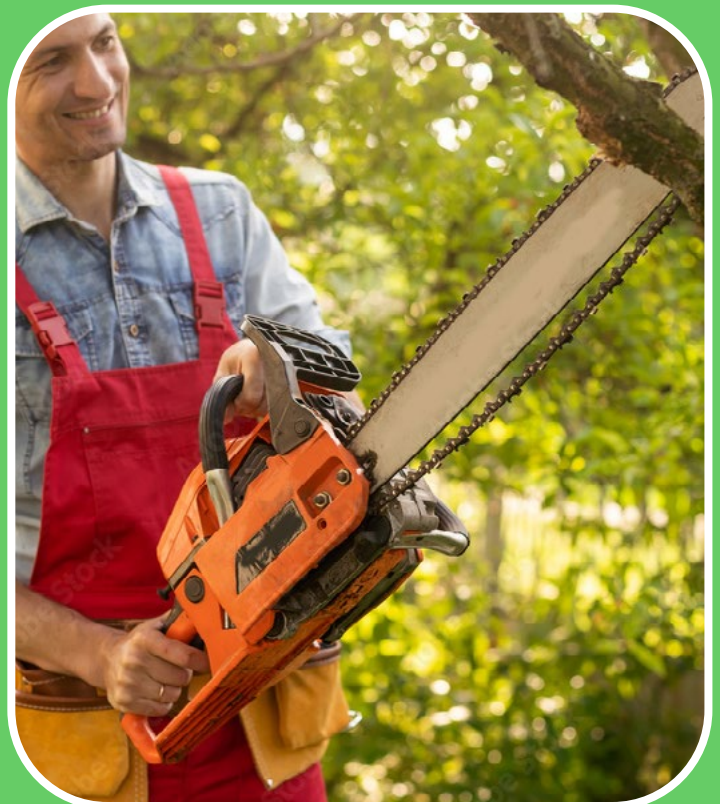
## TREE TRIMMING GUIDELINES

One of most beautiful characteristics of the Village is its verdant canopy. Tree trimming is a serious topic in Pinecrest and if not done correctly, it can cause the property owner to incur hefty fines that start at \$500 and can go up to \$3,000 per tree – due to tree topping. The most common reason given for topping is to reduce the size of a tree. Homeowners may feel that their trees have become too large for their property, or fear that tall trees may pose a hazard. Topping, in fact, will make a tree more hazardous in the long run. This is why the Village requires property owners to hire a licensed arborist to correctly prune a tree.

A licensed arborist will know how to:

- Remove deadwood and twigs
- Identify cracks and decay that weaken a tree’s structure
- Remove codominant branches with included bark that may become a point of failure during a storm event
- Create an open an airy canopy to allow wind to blow through

Pinecrest has an in-house licensed arborist, who can provide guidance when trimming trees on your property. Call or email the Public Works Department at 305.669.6916 or [publicworks@pinecrest-fl.gov](mailto:publicworks@pinecrest-fl.gov) to find out more. Once tree trimming is completed, please call 311 for debris pickup. Debris that is not picked up is unsightly and can become dangerous in a wind event.







# CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT RUNDOWN



## EVELYN GREER PARK PLAYGROUND IMPROVEMENTS

The new ADA-accessible playground at Evelyn Greer Park is in its final construction phase. Upgrades to the playground include an enhanced poured-in-place safety surface, new shade sails, play structures for children 2 to 5 and 5 to 12, and multiple interactive ground components. The new design features Landscape Structures' Hedra Model, which combines unique geometric configurations and continuous circuits to create a hive of evolving play that encourages exploration and imagination, while building upon each child's strength, confidence, and social development. The new playground is scheduled to open at the beginning of October.

## POTABLE WATER PROJECT

The Village was awarded funding from the American Rescue Plan in early 2021 for the Village's potable water project. This project will provide access to potable water to nearly 750 properties. Since construction started on January 3 of this year, more than half of the 100,000 linear feet of new water mains have been installed, along with the associated laterals and fire hydrants. Before residents can enjoy the fresh new potable water, the new water lines must be flushed, pressure tested, and verified to be clear of bacteria. The affected roads will be milled and resurfaced, swales will be graded and re-sodded, and the Miami-Dade County Water and Sewer Department (WASD) will review the as-built drawings before the new system can be passed on to it for operation. As the work progresses, residents will be alerted to the construction and asked to provide their preferred location for the new meter. Consulting with a plumber to help determine this location is advised. Residents are encouraged to check the Village website for updates at [www.pinecrest-fl.gov/water](http://www.pinecrest-fl.gov/water).



# PINECREST GARDENS

**P**inecrest Gardens, South Florida's Cultural Arts Park, is a premier venue for visual and performing arts, education, environmental conservation, and preservation. On any given day one can attend a concert or play, visit the Hibiscus Gallery, tour the 12-acres of native forested wetland, tropical hardwood hammock and native cypress slough, or take a class in art or horticulture. The park attracts over 180,000 visitors each year and was placed on the National Register of Historic Places in October 2011.

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# ART IN THE GARDEN

## ARTIST-IN-RESIDENCE XAVIER CORTADA

Xavier Cortada, Miami's pioneer eco-artist, serves as artist-in-residence at Pinecrest Gardens, where his studio, gallery, and social practice is based. From polar glaciers to Arctic sea ice—from streaming brooks to open bays—Cortada frequently uses water as a medium to convey its incredible importance, warn about the grave danger it poses to coastal communities, and engage others in its conservation.



### The Art of Diatoms

Diatoms are water-bound, single-celled microalgae encapsulated in silica. They harness the power of the sun to convert carbon dioxide into oxygen and are responsible for generating at least one-fifth of the oxygen we breathe. Diatoms also allow scientists to see into the Earth's past: by examining the glass shells of diatoms that are preserved in sedimentary core samples, scientists can determine the past salinity of water as well as the current state of its degradation.

### Artist's statement

*"Diatoms transport me to a place so distant in time that it wouldn't look like the Earth I know. They help connect me to an Earth I am trying to better understand. An Earth fluid. An Earth as process. An Earth completely interconnected. An Earth generating life forms across space and time. The presence of diatoms in layered sediment connects us to the ecosystem in which they thrived while they were alive. Indeed, they are a portal to what once was so that we can better learn how to protect what now is."*

- Xavier Cortada

## CORTADA STUDIOS UPCOMING RECEPTIONS AND EXHIBITIONS

### DIATOMS

#### Opening Reception

Sunday, August 28 from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

#### Art Reception

Sunday, September 11 from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

#### Art Reception

Sunday, September 25 from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

#### Art Reception

Sunday, October 9 from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

### THE UNDERWATER

#### Opening Exhibition

Wednesday, October 26 from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m.

#### Art Reception

Thursday, November 3 from 6 to 9 p.m.

#### Art Reception

Saturday, November 12 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

## HARTVEST

### "THE COLORS OF MIAMI" 2nd edition

In celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month exhibition is hosted and curated by Hartvest Project at Pinecrest Gardens.

Opening: Thursday, September 15 | 6 to 9 p.m.

On view through October 23

"The Colors of Miami" is an art exhibition created by the Consulate General and the Cultural Institute of Mexico in conjunction with "HISPAFEST," (Festival of Hispanic American Art and Culture). It brings together artists, primarily based in South Florida, with origins or roots from all over the American Continent and Spain. Artists are selected to represent the country of their heritage and are accompanied by the different consulates of South Florida.

### "LIFE AT STREET LEVEL"

FAMA's "Threading the City" event hosted and curated by Hartvest Project at Pinecrest Gardens.

Opening: Saturday, November 12  
11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

On view through January 31

"Life at Street Level" is an art exhibition that comprises FAMA's (Fiber Artists Miami Association) first city-wide event, "Threading the City." A group of selected artists show the urban fabric metaphor for city topography. Just like textiles can come in many weaves, colors, and textures, the physical form of cities is innumerable. This provocative exhibit interweaves fiber with photography, photo collage, and installation works to capture an instant view of Miami at the street level that conveys urban resilience.



# SOUTH MOTORS JAZZ SERIES

## Select-A-Seat Event

Last chance to select your seat for the South Motors Jazz Series 2022-23

Enjoy complimentary mimosas and croissants while selecting your seats for the 2022-23 South Motors Jazz Series on Sunday, September 11, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Try before you buy.



### Manhattan Transfer

**Saturday, October 22 at 8 p.m.**

With eight Grammy Awards and another eight Grammy nominations, The Manhattan Transfer, founded in 1969, has explored a cappella, vocalese, swing, standards, Brazilian jazz, rhythm and blues, as well as pop music.



### Eddie Palmieri

**Saturday, November 12 at 8 p.m.**

Known as one of the finest keyboard artists of the past 60 years, Eddie Palmieri is a 10-time Grammy Award Winning pianist, bandleader, arranger and composer of salsa and Latin jazz.



### The Legendary Tommy Dorsey Orchestra

**Saturday, December 10 at 8 p.m.**

Winner of the Montreal Jazz Festival "Battle of the Bands" for two consecutive years, the legacy of Tommy Dorsey's great music transcends time. The Tommy Dorsey Orchestra repertoire continues to entertain audiences of all ages throughout the world and represents explosive, swinging big band entertainment at its best.



### Grace Kelly

**Saturday, January 14 at 8 p.m.**

An unequivocal musical prodigy, singer, saxophonist, songwriter, composer and band leader, award-winning artist Grace Kelly has rocked the jazz world with sold-out concerts, 13 acclaimed albums and a resume that includes performing at the Hollywood Bowl and as part of the house band for "The Late Show with Stephen Colbert"—all before reaching her mid-20s.



### Terell Stafford & Dick Oatts

**"Luck Be a Lady:**

**A Frank Sinatra Tribute" Featuring the Frost Concert Jazz Band, John Daversa, Director**  
**Saturday, February 11 at 8 p.m.**

Grammy Award-winner Terell Stafford is an acclaimed trumpet player hailed as "one of the greatest trumpet players of our era," and Dick Oatts is a celebrated and award-winning saxophonist with 10 solo albums and five co-led albums.



### Steve Tyrell

**Saturday, March 18 at 8 p.m.**

Grammy Award and Daytime Emmy Award Winning Vocalist, Steve Tyrell, is the very definition of renaissance man. In his nearly five decades in the music business, he has achieved success as a singer, songwriter, producer, radio host... and after the passing of Bobby Short, Steve took over the New York City's Café Carlyle's revered holiday season where he continues to perform today.



### Eliane Elias

**Saturday, April 15 at 8 p.m.**

Grammy Award and Daytime Emmy Award-winning Vocalist Steve Tyrell is the very definition of a renaissance man. In his nearly five decades in the music business, he achieved success as a singer, songwriter, producer, radio host. And after the passing of Bobby Short, Tyrell took over the New York City Café Carlyle's revered holiday season where he continues to perform to this day.



### Special Brazilian Jazz Night

**Antonio Adolfo with special Guest Vocalist Carol Saboya**  
**"Jobim Forever"**

**Saturday, February 25 at 8 p.m.**

A night of sultry Samba and Bossa Nova under the stars.

**7 Concert Series** Level A \$250 plus \$10 service fee  
Level B \$215 plus \$10 service fee

**Call 305.669.6990 for information & subscription purchases.**

# HOT NEW MUSIC SERIES

## COMING TO THE BANYAN BOWL STAGE IN FEBRUARY



### Journey Back in Time to an Era of Great Tropical Night Clubs

From Havana's Tropicana to New York's Copacabana the night clubs of the 1950s, featuring great Latin music throughout the decades, were both sultry and addictive. These were tropical pleasure domes where Champagne flowed freely, the shows and showgirls were dazzling and the music never stopped.

Welcome to South Motors Tropical Nights at Pinecrest Gardens. Three concerts featuring the very best of Latin Jazz throughout the years, curated and performed by Grammy Award-winner, Chino Nunez.

Regarded as one of the most renowned producers and recording percussionists of our time, Chino Nunez has transcended genre and style in his forty-plus-year musical career, firmly rooted in great Latin Jazz.

Nunez's talents as a composer, producer, arranger, band leader and multi-instrumentalist has resonated through prolific discography, consisting of hundreds of productions to his credit. Nunez has won two Grammy Awards (American & Latin) and has also received many music-award nominations including Billboard.

### Subscription for Three Shows

Level A \$90 plus \$9 service fee

Level B \$75 plus \$7.50 service fee

**Call 305.669.6990 for subscription sales information.**

### Single tickets (individual shows) will go on sale January 4

Level A \$40 plus \$4 service fee

Level B \$35 plus \$3.50 service fee

### South Motors Tropical Nights at Pinecrest Gardens

Subscription Series

#### Mambo Night Tropicana

**Friday, February 3 at 8 p.m.**

A musical journey that transports us back to Havana's legendary "Tropicana" in the 1950s featuring a big band, singers, dancers and showgirls. Featuring Chino Nunez with a special guest cameo appearance by Tito Puente, Jr.

#### Copacabana

**Friday, March 10 at 8 p.m.**

A musical journey revisiting the great New York clubs of the '70s and '80s paying tribute to the likes of Celia Cruz, Tito Puente, Machito, Tito Rodriguez, La Lupe, and more featuring orchestra, vocalists, dancers and show girls, special guest to be announced.

#### Salsa Romantica at the Latin Quarter

**Friday, May 5 at 8 p.m.**

A musical mélange showcasing the best of Salsa music from the '90s to present times featuring orchestra, vocalists, dancers and show girls. Featuring Chino Nunez with a special guest performance from multi-Grammy Award Winner, Marlo Rosado.



# FREE PERFORMANCES IN THE PARK

Our season starts off with the welcomed return of:

## The Jazz Educators Community Coalition: Nicole Yarling

Sunday, September 25 at 2 p.m.

Free Admission

**Groovin' on a Sunday Afternoon** is an annual celebration of community-based organizations that are passionate about young people and the arts. The family friendly concert is free and open to the public.

## Frost School of Music - Frost Sounds Fall Showcase

Sunday, October 9 at 7:30 p.m.

The Frost School of Music has a vibrant and remarkable mix of musicians from around the world. Rock, jazz, classical, and more create a dynamic music experience. This exciting night of music will feature selected musicians chosen specifically for this special opportunity 'in the garden.' Produced and presented by the Live Entertainment Management Program at the University of Miami.

## FIU Panthonics She Jazz Project

Sunday, November 13 at 7 p.m.

The Downbeat award-winning Florida International University Jazz Vocal Ensemble is the premier vocal jazz ensemble within the Division of Jazz Studies in the School of Music. The Panthonics perform a varied and challenging repertoire of jazz and jazz-influenced music, as well as contemporary, Latin, and a cappella styles. Opening up for the Panthonics will be Pinecrest Garden's own She Jazz Project in their first concert of the school year.



# DANCE

## Ballroom Showcase presented by The Fred Astaire Dance Studio Pinecrest & Fred Astaire Miami Beach

Sunday, October 2 at 2 p.m.

Free Admission

You'll love this stunning showcase of ball room dancing benefiting the South Florida Breast Cancer Foundation.

General admission tickets are \$50 and VIP tickets that include the cast party are \$100.



# SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

## Stanley Jordan Live in Concert!

Saturday, October 1 at 8 p.m.

Tickets: \$50 on Eventbrite

In a career that took flight in 1985 with commercial and critical acclaim, guitar virtuoso Stanley Jordan has consistently displayed a chameleonic musical persona of openness, imagination, versatility and maverick daring. Stanley Jordan has performed in over 60 countries, on some of the biggest stages and festivals worldwide. He's a unique performer who routinely leaves his audience mesmerized.

## Community Arts and Culture presents... Todo El Mundo Dice Aho

Saturday, October 15 at 6 p.m.

Ticket Information: [info@bodegacollective.com](mailto:info@bodegacollective.com)

Community Arts and Culture provides under-served neighborhoods with a platform to participate in cultural arts programs and experiences and nurtures an array of local and international musical artists that exemplify the diversity of our South Florida community.

# CHILDREN'S CONCERTS

## Orchestra Miami presents... Bizet y La Cucarachita

Sunday, October 23 at 3 p.m.

In celebration of Hispanic Heritage month, Orchestra Miami will present a bilingual performance of the traditional Hispanic tale about a charming cockroach and her struggles with decision making, set to the famous music of the opera Carmen by Georges Bizet. Performed by Orchestra Miami with special guests: HoBuCo, creators of Musical Fairytales, and narration by Oscar Bustillo. The program also features an introduction to the instruments and other songs celebrating composers and artists from across the Spanish-speaking world.

Tickets: Adults \$15, Seniors: \$12, Children: \$8; Family Pack (2 children and 2 adults 20% off original price.)

## THEATER

### **Sleepy Alice, An Evening of Two One-Act Tales presented by Cutler Bay Community Theater**

Friday, November 4 at 8 p.m.

Tickets: \$10 General Admission

Ticket information: [contact@cutlerbayplays.com](mailto:contact@cutlerbayplays.com)

**Halloween does not have to end on October 31!**

Sleepy Alice is a night of two, one-act tales designed to terrify and delight! Watch as the Legend of Sleepy Hollow unfolds on the stage in front of you. Then be whisked to an enchanting world as Alice leads you into Wonderland. Costumes for audience members are encouraged. It's a show for all ages.



## MUSIC

### **Miami Youth Orchestra**

Saturday, November 5 at 6 p.m.

Now celebrating their 16th season, Miami Youth Orchestra is thrilled to be able to provide young emerging artists and students the special opportunity of performing alongside some of the city's most esteemed musicians as well as internationally acclaimed figures.

Ticket prices: \$15 Children 3-13; \$25 14 years and older and \$40 VIP  
Information at [myomiami@gmail.com](mailto:myomiami@gmail.com)

## FESTIVALS & MOVIES



### **The Rocky Horror Picture Show**

Thursday, October 27

"The Rocky Horror Picture Show" is cultural sensation. Come and join us for this cult-classic which still holds for the record for longest-running theatrical release in film history. "The Rocky Horror Picture Show" is not just a movie—it is a social phenomenon. Do not forget to wear your costume and bring your props. Refreshments available for purchase.

**Gates open at 6:30 p.m. | Costume Contest starts 8 p.m.**

**Movie starts at 8:30 p.m.**

**\$10 per person | Limited capacity**

### **Howl-O-Ween**

Saturday, October 29 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Pinecrest Gardens will become haunted by four-legged ghouls and their scary human companions as Paws-4-You celebrates Howl-O-Ween. The event features tricks and treats, a costume contest, a Doggie Fun Zone Agility course, food, drinks, live entertainment, a spooky Kids' Zone and a pumpkin patch.

**\$8 per person online, \$10 at the gate | Children two and younger free.**

### **G.I.R.L. FEST at Pinecrest Gardens**

Saturday, September 24 at 10 a.m.

This event is free with paid admission to Pinecrest Gardens. Hosted with Girl Scouts of Tropical Florida: enjoy a day of games, fun, and all things Girl Scouts, as we kick off the Girl Scout Season at Pinecrest Gardens.





# EDUCATION

## LITTLE LIZARDS

### Drop-in Program

Ages 4 to 12

Wednesdays, beginning at 2 p.m.

Free with paid admission. Limited capacity, registration is required.

To register, visit [www.pinecrestgardens.org/littlelizards](http://www.pinecrestgardens.org/littlelizards).

**October: Soil Science** | This month we will uncover the mysteries of soil. Learn about different types of soil, use a microscope to see what's in ours, build your own composter, and more.

**November: Garden Edibles/Harvest** | The fall is the perfect time to learn about edible gardening in Florida. Join us as we start planting veggie beds for the season. Take home your very own vegetable seedling and taste what we have growing in the garden after learning about the plant parts we love to eat.

**December: Trees** | They are all around us, but do we really know what makes trees so important to our planet? December is the month to learn all about these gracious giants. They are all around us, but do we really know what makes trees so important to our planet? December is the month to learn all about these gracious giants.

## 2022-23 ENVIRONMENTAL ARTS CONTEST:

### Theme: The Everglades

November 14 through January 9

Grades 4 through 12 for students in Miami-Dade County. **Winners will receive \$5,700 in prize money.** Students will have an opportunity to display their work in a juried public art show at the Fine Arts Festival. To enter the contest, and for more information, visit [www.pinecrestgardens.org](http://www.pinecrestgardens.org).

## GIRL SCOUT PROGRAM

### GIRL Fest

kicks off the new Girl Scout year at Pinecrest Gardens. Come meet our awesome community partners, visit with your sister Girl Scouts at Troop Booths and enjoy beautiful Pinecrest Gardens. Access to G.I.R.L. Fest is included with regular admission fee.

### GIRL SCOUT BADGE DAYS

For more information, visit [www.pinecrestgardens.org/scouts](http://www.pinecrestgardens.org/scouts)

Select Saturdays, \$15 per scout

Pinecrest Gardens offers Girl Scout Badge Days on select dates throughout the season for Daisies, Brownies, Juniors, and Cadettes. Badges include topics such as Outdoor Art, Eco-friend skills, and Animal Badges. Badge days include all materials, the badge and entry to Pinecrest Gardens after the program. Registration required.

### GIRL SCOUTS GIRLS NIGHT OUT

Ages 7 to 14

Spend the evening with us at Pinecrest Gardens as we explore the gardens at night and participate in evening activities and events. Scouts Night Out is a perfect way to celebrate post cookie season and have a good time with other girl scouts. Registration required.



# DISCOVERY LAB

To register visit [www.pinecrestgardens.org/discoverylab](http://www.pinecrestgardens.org/discoverylab)

## Discovery Lab Jr. Scientist Engineering After School Program

Ages 5 to 8

Wednesdays, September 7, 14, 21, 28 and October 5, 12, 19, 26

4:30 to 5:45 p.m.

\$640 for 8 classes or \$320 for 4 classes.

Fun hands-on science workshops where students explore and dive deeper into specific engineering topics that prepare them for careers of the future. Workshops include a range of activities covering different STEM topics and exciting STEM careers.

## STEAM Night with Discovery Lab: Glow in the Dark Night

Friday, October 7 at 6 p.m.

Discovery Lab presents STEAM Night in the Gardens. Learn about plants and animals that glow in the dark with hands on activities in this science-filled evening. For more information, please visit [www.pinecrestgardens.org](http://www.pinecrestgardens.org) or [www.discoverylabcamp.com](http://www.discoverylabcamp.com).

# YOUTH CLASSES & PROGRAMS

## MOMMY AND ME CLASSES

### Mommy and Me Music

Ages 1 to 3

Mondays from 10 to 10:45 a.m.

This class begins to introduce the parent/toddler team to music. The instructor guides them in a way that makes discovering musical instruments, rhythm, lyrics, movement, and listening skills fun and easy.

### Mommy and Me Yoga

Ages 1 to 3

Tuesdays from 10 to 10:45 a.m.

This class begins to introduce the parent/toddler team to yoga. The instructor guides them in a way that makes discovering movement, flexibility, balance, and listening skills fun and easy.

### Mommy and Me Gymnastics

Ages 1 to 3

Wednesdays from 10 to 10:45 a.m.

This class begins to introduce the parent/toddler team to gymnastics. The instructor guides them in a way that makes discovering movement, flexibility, balance, and listening skills fun and easy.

### Mommy and Me Art

Ages 1 to 3

Thursdays from 10 to 10:45 a.m.

This class begins to introduce the parent/toddler team to art. The instructor guides them in a way that makes discovering art techniques, crafts, and listening skills fun and easy.

## Mommy and Me Dance

Ages 1 to 3

Fridays from 10 to 10:45 a.m.

This class begins to introduce the parents/toddler team to dance. New movements and stretching are presented to them through imagery, fantasy play, and creative games.



## PINECREST DANCE PROJECT

To register visit [www.pinecrestgardens.org/PDP](http://www.pinecrestgardens.org/PDP)

Registration opens August 1 and all classes begin September 1

Classes meet weekly.

Monthly memberships: 1 x week \$75, 2 x week \$105, 3 x week \$135, 4 x week \$145

### Tap I and II

Fridays at 4 and 5 p.m.

This fun and challenging style of dance promotes a combination of rhythm, timing, and coordination. Students will develop musicality through the various center, cross-floor exercises, and routines. The students will marvel at the sound their shoes make and will feel proud to learn and execute new steps.

### Kids' Ballroom

Tuesdays at 6 p.m.

In this class, students will learn the basic steps of Mambo, Cha Cha Cha, Waltz, Tango, Rumba, Swing, Foxtrot and much more. This class prepares students for social environments. Students spend their evening dancing, meeting new friends and having fun. During the class, muscles work burning calories, improving flexibility, strength, agility and posture.



# The CURIOUS Gardener Workshops at Pinecrest Gardens

We are always adding new workshops. Visit our website at [www.pinecrestgardens.org](http://www.pinecrestgardens.org) or scan the QR code for the most up-to-date Curious Gardener Series information.

Visit:  
[www.pinecrestgardens.org/curiousgardener](http://www.pinecrestgardens.org/curiousgardener)  
for more information.



## Sip & Create Painting Workshops

Join us every month for a fun painting class at Pinecrest Gardens. Enjoy a complimentary beverage to get your creative juices flowing and follow along to discover your artistic potential. Drawing inspiration from the garden and with guided instruction from Nathalie Morot of Budding Artists Miami, you will create a masterpiece. Each month features a different garden-related theme. Beginners and experts alike will enjoy these fun workshops. Each workshop includes a complimentary beverage and all materials. Don't forget your favorite painting clothes.

## Monthly Yoga in Pinecrest Gardens

Guided yoga sessions with Andrea Mihalik occur monthly at Pinecrest Gardens. Enjoy a complimentary beverage after class and experience the Gardens After Dark. Yoga will be set amongst our beautiful botanical garden overlooking Swan Lake. After a meditative class of Vinyasa body movement alongside the serene sounds of nature, you will be transported to a place of serenity. Enjoy your complimentary beverage after class and take an evening stroll through the garden to make the most of your evening.



# MUSIC MENTORSHIP PROGRAMS

## SOUTH MOTORS GEN NEXT JAM

In 2015, the South Motors Jazz series expanded to include Gen Next Jam, bringing an exceptional caliber of internationally celebrated artists to jam with and mentor a core group of youth participating in the Jazz Magnet Program at Miami-Dade County's signature school of the arts - New World High School. These unique mentorships allow aspiring musicians from South Florida to learn directly from and play alongside Jazz greats.

## Gen Next Jam with Eddie Palmieri Sunday, November 13 from 11 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

Students of the New World Jazz Magnet Program will jam with Multi-Grammy Award Winning Pianist, Eddie Palmieri.

## SHE JAZZ PROJECT

Commencing September 11, every Sunday from 2 to 4 p.m., female jazz students, ages 14-18 will be rehearsing and learning from great jazz educators on the Banyan Bowl Stage. These rehearsal sessions are open and free to the public with Pinecrest Gardens general admission.







The Parks and Recreation Department manages the Pinecrest Community Center and all public parks in the Village including Coral Pine Park, Evelyn Greer Park, Flagler Grove Park, Gary Matzner Park, Hidden Pines Park, Red Road Linear Park, Suniland Park, Veterans Wayside Park, and Village Green.

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# SPECIAL EVENTS

## Pine-toberfest Beer Festival

October 1 | 5 to 9 p.m. | Evelyn Greer Park  
Ages 21+ Only | \$30 General Admission,  
\$50 VIP Admission | Dog-friendly Event

Pinecrest Parks and Recreation and Exit One Taproom are calling all beer lovers to join us in true "Pinecresting" fashion. Sample more than 40 beers from breweries near and far and enjoy good food, music, and games. The VIP area will feature a Platea Miami Experience and specialty beers. Come experience the best beer festival in town. Tickets are available for purchase on Eventbrite.

## Track or Treat

October 28 | 5 to 9 p.m. | Evelyn Greer Park | Free

Come enjoy trick or treating and spooky surprises in a safe and friendly environment from 5 to 7 p.m. After that, stay for a screening of Casper starting at 7:30 p.m. The Parks and Recreation Department, along with local businesses, will be handing out treats for everyone. There will be bounce houses, photo opportunities, music, balloon artists, and much more. All ghosts, goblins, witches, and friends are invited. Children must be accompanied by an adult and bring their own Halloween bag for collecting candy. Vendors interested in participating must contact the Parks and Recreation Department. Overflow parking is available at Suniland Park with shuttle service to and from Evelyn Greer Park.

## Veterans Day

Friday, November 11 | 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
Veterans Wayside Park | Free

Everyone is invited to help us thank and honor our brave Veterans and Gold Star Families by participating in this year's Veterans Day ceremony. The ceremony will include an Honor Guard presentation, a pinning ceremony, a wreath ceremony, music, and a complimentary picnic lunch. We thank all Veterans for their patriotism, love of country, and willingness to serve and sacrifice for the common good.



# CLASSES

Visit [www.pinecrest-fl.gov/communitypass](http://www.pinecrest-fl.gov/communitypass)  
to register for classes.

## ART & EDUCATION

### APEM French Program

Ages 4 to 10 | Wednesdays | 4 to 6 p.m.

Pinecrest Community Center | \$1,320 per school year

APEM is offering a French program for French-speaking children. Children must understand and communicate verbally in French. All academic materials will be provided by APEM. Students must have their own notebook and pencil case. Materials fee of \$70 collected by APEM.

### Budding Artists Miami

Ages 5 to 11 | Tuesdays | 3:30 to 4:45 p.m.

Pinecrest Community Center | \$260 for 8 classes

\$290 for 9 classes

Children will have the opportunity to practice their fine motor skills while being introduced to basic art concepts. We use a two-part, discipline-and-choice-based approach to ensure that children are guided within a framework yet given the freedom for responding to their feelings, ideas, and interests through art. Students go through self-discovery and learning from having control over either their subject matter, medium, or approach. They will be introduced to the importance of proportion, the aesthetics of symmetry, color theory, and more.



### Grow with Us Experience

Ages 2 to 5 | Tuesdays through Thursdays | 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Pinecrest Community Center | \$975 per month

The Grow with Us Experience provides child/adult education with many hands-on learning opportunities. The focus is all on social and emotional learning while strengthening fine/gross motor skills, through play-based developmentally appropriate activities. This one-of-a-kind program is essential for all families who want tools to handle life more effectively. For more information, please visit [www.growwithusacademy.com](http://www.growwithusacademy.com).



## Open Studio: Adult Lessons in Acrylic, Watercolor, or Drawing

**Ages 18+ | Pinecrest Community Center**

**Thursdays, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. or 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.**

**Sundays, 9 a.m. to 12 noon or 10 a.m. to 12 noon**

**\$30 per three-hour class, \$20 per two-hour class | Paid monthly, upfront**

Beginners through advanced artists can choose their medium of interest: watercolor, acrylic, pencil, or pastels and work at their own pace to produce a masterpiece. Classes are held weekly throughout the year. Bring a friend and they can try a class too. Class syllabus and suggested materials, listed by medium, are available at [www.wildpalette.com](http://www.wildpalette.com).

## Parent and Me Art Classes with Abrakadoodle

**Ages 2 to 5 | Mondays | 9:30 to 10:15 a.m.**

**Pinecrest Community Center | \$200 for 8 weeks**

Toddlers and preschoolers will develop their cognitive, social, and fine motor skills through hands-on art education. Children will be introduced to great artists, styles and techniques while developing motor skills and art vocabulary. They will explore new and engaging art materials through a multi-media art program where they will learn about color, texture, and much more. Parents must attend the classes. \$20 materials fee due to instructor on the first day of class.

## Preschool Art Classes with Abrakadoodle: An Art Education Experience

**Ages 2 to 5 | Mondays | 10:30 to 11:15 a.m.**

**Pinecrest Community Center | \$200 for 8 weeks**

If you give a child a paintbrush, they'll probably want some paint. Preschoolers will join Abrakadoodle Art Education for fun with paintbrushes and more. Laura Numeroff's "If You Give" series of books provides a lighthearted backdrop for making cookies, moose tracks, bubble baths, and more. We'll keep a chilly moose warm, throw a party for a pig, and have a grand time with balloons. All the while we'll learn about texture, printmaking, collage, found objects, and recycled materials. Grab that paintbrush and let's have some fun. \$20 materials fee due to instructor on the first day of class.

## Roblox and Minecraft Coding

**Ages 8 to 12 | Fridays | Roblox 4 to 5:15 p.m. or Minecraft 5:30 to 6:45 p.m. | Pinecrest Community Center | \$150 per month**

Register your child in our ROBLOX or Minecraft coding classes, and help get that spark ignited to build, design, innovate and change the world as we know it through the power of programming. This program is designed for children ages 8 to 12 with or without prior coding experience. Your child will learn how to code in LUA (Roblox coding language) while using our amazing CODE editor and creating Roblox and Minecraft mini games. Kids will join once a week for 75 minutes. Progress reports and self-study coding time after each class is also included to keep learning from home. Laptops and materials are provided.

# DANCE

## Line Dancing

**Ages 18+ | Pinecrest Community Center | Tuesdays**

**Beginners: 5 p.m., Improvers: 6 p.m., Intermediate: 7 p.m.,**

**Advanced: 8 p.m. | \$120 for 12 classes, \$12 drop-in**

These fun-filled classes teach the basic patterns and steps for line dancing, with no experience necessary. Come ready to have fun and dance as part of the group while developing your individualized dance moves. Line dancing is not just about the boot-scooting footwork, it involves the whole body in each one-hour lesson.

## Pinecrest Dance Project

**Ages 3 to 16 | Mondays through Saturdays**

**Class times vary from 3:30 to 8:30 p.m. | Pinecrest Community Center Monthly Membership Pricing Options**

Pinecrest Dance Project offers dance classes in ballet, hip-hop, jazz, flamenco, acro, and contemporary dance for youth and teens. There is also a stretch and conditioning class for moms. The diverse class offerings are based on a curriculum specifically designed around the student's age and skills, so that they may seamlessly integrate and quickly start developing their artistic talents. The classes allow students to develop confidence and self-esteem in an energetic and fun atmosphere.





## MUSIC

### Musical Theatre Class for Kids

**Ages 6 to 12 | Mondays | 6 to 7 p.m.**  
**Pinecrest Community Center | \$150**

Explore the different elements of the Performing Arts in our Musical Theatre classes. From singing, dancing, and acting to creative writing and visual arts, our students can express and understand their thoughts and emotions while perfecting the craft that prepares them for life. We adapt our program to fit the interests and goals of each participant. A musical theatre performance will be presented at the end of each class cycle. For more information, please visit [www.americanlabtheatre.com](http://www.americanlabtheatre.com).

### Music Together with Laurie

**Ages newborn to 5 | Mondays and/or Tuesdays | Pinecrest Community Center | \$189 for 10 classes**

Music Together is an internationally recognized parent-child music program for infants, toddlers, preschoolers, and the grown-ups who love them. From babyhood through early elementary years, Music Together nurtures each child's natural musicality in a playful, musically rich learning environment. You are guaranteed to learn new songs and music activities to inspire you to bring music into your family's everyday life. Classes in Spanish called *Canta y Baila* are also available. \$50 materials fee due to instructor before the first class.

### SharpMinds Music Academy Individual Guitar Lessons

**All ages | Beginner, Intermediate, and Continuing | Class days and times are scheduled with the instructor | Pinecrest Community Center \$160 per month**

Award-winning Guitarist James Woolwine brings the guitar to life at the Pinecrest Community Center. Students of all abilities will learn to enhance their guitar skills as they develop a life-long love of the instrument.

### SharpMinds Music Academy Individual Piano Lessons

**Ages 4 to adults | Class days and times are scheduled with the instructor | Pinecrest Community Center | \$160 per month**

Keyboard music lessons are offered using the internationally reputed Yamaha Music Education system. Founder and Director Patricia Englehardt, Ph.D., aims to provide quality music education to all ages, nurture young minds, and promote a lifelong love and participation in music.

### SharpMinds Music Academy Individual Violin Lessons

**All ages | Class days and times are scheduled with the instructor | Pinecrest Community Center | \$140 per month**

Private violin lessons by distinguished Soloist and Ensemble Musician Madison Ryan are available at the Pinecrest Community Center. Ryan has performed across the United States and Western Europe and is an experienced educator and performer. Madison creates a nurturing and creative environment where students can develop their skills and reach their full musical potential.

## SPORTS & GAMES

### David Ensignia Tennis Academy Programs

**All ages | Monthly Programs | Prices vary | Coral Pine Park**

The David Ensignia Tennis Academy is focused on providing quality instruction and service through its passion to teach aspiring players of all ages and abilities throughout Miami-Dade County. Youth and teen programs and adult clinics are available for registration for players of all levels. Recreational and competitive programs are available.

### Feel the Power Chess Academy Tournaments

**Ages 3 to adults | Saturday, September 17, October 15, and November 5 | 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. | Evelyn Greer Park**

**\$30 pre-registration until Thursday the week of the tournament, \$40 after**  
 Feel the rush of competition in these full-day, over-the-board chess tournaments. Feel the Power Chess Academy hosts monthly tournaments at Evelyn Greer Park. These tournaments test your skill and prowess on the chess board as competitors pass round after round to make it to the grand prize. First, second, and third place prizes are awarded in each division.





## Goat Yoga in the 305

**Ages 5+ | Sundays, Select dates available | 9 to 11 a.m. Suniland Park | \$30 per class**

Goat yoga is an exciting program that is fit for all yogis. Participants receive a full yoga session all while surrounded by furry little friends that keep the mood light. By attending Goat Yoga in the 305, participants can keep up with their active lifestyle and help support agricultural sustainability efforts. Please bring a yoga mat. There will be yoga mats for sale at the class.

## Pinecrest Plays

**Ages 5 to 12 | First and third Saturday each month | 9:30 to 11 a.m. Pinecrest Community Center | Free**

Each Pinecrest Plays Day will be a surprise you do not want to miss. There will be field games of all varieties from soccer and kickball to capture the flag and ultimate Frisbee. Registration is required each week for this program. The program takes place on the Village Green at the Pinecrest Community Center. Come ready to run around and have some fun.

## Super Soccer Stars

**Ages 2 to 10 | September through December | Prices Vary Coral Pine Park**

Youths learn essential soccer skills in a fun, non-competitive, and educational environment. Every practice follows the philosophy of using soccer to nurture, build self-confidence, and develop teamwork skills. The curriculum employs positive reinforcement and a low child-to-coach ratio to ensure that each child improves their soccer skills at their own pace while having fun.

## WE Martial Arts

**All Ages | Monthly Membership | Prices vary | Evelyn Greer Park**

**The Young Athlete Olympic Program (YAOP)** uses a curriculum developed by Olympic Athletes. Young Athletes are assessed by the WE Martial Arts Olympic coach while they work their way through a series of levels. Students' proficiencies are certified by USATKD, the Olympic national governing body for Taekwondo.

**The Open Program (OP)** balances traditional martial arts training with modern fitness principles. The OP is designed for youth and adults to enhance self-esteem, build confidence, develop discipline, and learn self-defense while strengthening the mind and body.

**The Kick Boxing Program** includes self-defense, a mixed combination of boxing and kicking, as well as conditioning, weight, agility, and core training. The objective is to increase core awareness and achieve high performance and coordination while increasing mind and body focus. For more information, please call 305.494.8395 or visit [www.wemartialarts.com](http://www.wemartialarts.com).

# COMMUNITY CENTER GYM

## PINECREST COMMUNITY CENTER GYM

**Monday through Friday | 6 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.**

**Saturday | 6 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.**

**Sunday | 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.**

Stay fit or get fit at the hottest gym in town. The Pinecrest Community Center Gym features top-of-the-line strength and cardio equipment, private 1-on-1 instruction by certified personal trainers, a dedicated stretch room, and fully equipped locker rooms. Come in for a tour and to speak with a trainer today. Membership applications can be downloaded at [www.pinecrest-fl.gov/fitness](http://www.pinecrest-fl.gov/fitness).

## FITCREST FRIDAYS AT THE PINECREST COMMUNITY CENTER GYM

FitCrest Friday takes place on the third Friday of every month. On FitCrest Friday, everyone is welcome to use the Pinecrest Community Center Gym for free. FitCrest Friday is a great opportunity to try the gym for the first time or join a friend for a free workout. Anyone who signs up for a membership on FitCrest Friday will receive one extra week free.

## DAILY FITNESS CLASSES

Fitness classes are offered daily, including everything from indoor and outdoor Spinning® to Zumba, HIIT, and yoga. All classes are led by certified fitness instructors. Register via the MINDBODY app by searching for "Pinecrest Parks and Recreation" and find your class.

**SCAN THE CODE**  
for more information about  
pricing, memberships, and a  
schedule of fitness classes.



# #FITCREST

## #FITCREST CHALLENGES

Pinecrest Parks and Recreation wants to reward you. Take a photo of yourself completing one of the #FitCrest challenges and email it to [fitness@pinecrest-fl.gov](mailto:fitness@pinecrest-fl.gov) to earn your #FitCrest t-shirt and become part of the FitCrest club. Photos may be used to help promote #FitCrest and encourage everyone in the community to take action and do things that lead to a healthier life.

## PINECREST BUSINESSES ARE BECOMING #FITCREST FIT

Businesses throughout Pinecrest are seeing the benefit of promoting healthy products and services. Have you seen the big orange #FitCrest sticker on a business window? If you have, it means the business you are entering offers something to help you along your FitCrest journey. Ask them what they provide, it may surprise you. Some of the first businesses to see the value in helping to build a stronger and healthier community include Orange Theory Fitness, The Runner's High, Power Pizza, Wagons West, Pure Barre, RZone Fitness, Smoothie King, and Machida Karate.



# ACTIVE ADULTS

Do you want to stay in the know? Send us your email to be added to the adult program mailing list by emailing [gzoghbi@pinecrest-fl.gov](mailto:gzoghbi@pinecrest-fl.gov) or calling 305.284.0900.

## EVENTS | Pre-register or volunteer by emailing [gzoghbi@pinecrest-fl.gov](mailto:gzoghbi@pinecrest-fl.gov) or calling 305.284.0900.

### Florida Senior Games

**Ages 50+ | Various Locations | October 10 to 14 | \$15 Registration**

The Parks and Recreation Department is hosting the Pinecrest Senior Games on October 10-14. Participants from all over will compete in different sports, including pickleball, tennis, bowling, basketball, billiards, race-walk, badminton, and corn hole. Event sponsors include Bright Health Care, PMC Palmetto Bay, United Healthcare, Preferred Care Network & Preferred Care Partners. Register at [www.pinecrest-fl.gov/seniorgames](http://www.pinecrest-fl.gov/seniorgames).

### Veterans Day

**Friday, November 11 | 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. | Veterans Wayside Park | Free**

Everyone is invited to help us thank and honor our brave Veterans and Gold Star Families by participating in this year's Veterans Day ceremony. The ceremony will include an Honor Guard presentation, a pinning ceremony, a wreath ceremony, music, and a complimentary picnic lunch. We thank all Veterans for their patriotism, love of country, and willingness to serve and sacrifice for the common good.

## ADULT FITNESS

### Pedal in the Crest

**Every third Friday of the month | 9 to 10 a.m. | Free**

Get to know our beautiful community and learn about all things parks and recreation with a monthly leisurely bike ride through Pinecrest. The Director of Parks and Recreation, Robert Mattes, will be your guide. September and October's starting locations will be the Pinecrest Community Center. Participants must pre-register.

### Pickleball Clinics

**\$25 per clinic**

Learn the basics of Pickleball or improve upon your game. Instructor Bradley Mixson teaches pickleball clinics. Sign up for beginner clinics on Wednesdays from 11 a.m. to 12 noon, intermediate clinics (levels 1 & 2) or the skills and drills clinics on Fridays at 11 a.m. & 12 noon, or the Drinks & Dinks program on select Saturdays from 4 to 6 p.m. Participants must pre-register.

### Pickleball Club

**Tuesdays and Thursdays | 8 to 10 a.m. | Suniland Park | \$50 per quarter**

The Pinecrest Pickleball Club is a recreation and social club designed to bring players together in a fun and encouraging atmosphere. All skill levels are welcome. Space is limited. Participants must register each quarter. A new quarter begins on the first day of September, December, March, and June.

### Pickleball Free Play

**All Ages | Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays | 8 a.m. to 12 noon Suniland Park | Free**

Get outdoors and play. Pickleball is a wildly popular sport that everyone can enjoy. Bring your friends or make new ones on the court. New to the game and don't have equipment? Don't worry, paddles are available to borrow for free and there is always a friendly face on site to share the basics of the game.



### Tai Chi

**Tuesdays | 10 to 11 a.m. | Starting September 20 | Free**

Tai chi is a form of exercise that began as a Chinese tradition. It's based on martial arts and involves gentle movements and stretches. Over time, tai chi can help improve balance, flexibility, and strength. The class will be led by a tai chi enthusiast. Classes include simple warmup exercises and different sets of movements based on the Yang style of tai chi. Class size is limited. Participants must pre-register.

### Walking Club

**Wednesdays | 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. | Free**

Be part of the FitCrest initiative and build a healthier mind, body, and soul with our weekly walking club. Commit to walks three times per week for 30 to 45 minutes for one month and earn your FitCrest t-shirt. The walking club will meet up at the Pinecrest Community Center. Participants must pre-register.

### Zumba Gold

**Ages 55+ | Mondays and Wednesdays | 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. | Free**

If you love music and moving your body, this class is for you. Zumba Gold is a dance and exercise class for adults 55+. Instructor Cecilia Montesinos Richter will keep participants active with gentle, easy-to-follow dance movements that will leave you feeling refreshed and invigorated. Participants with limited mobility can fully take part in this class while seated or holding onto a chair for support. Zumba Gold challenges your body and mind safely.

## GAME DAYS



### Bingo

**September 9, October 14, and November 4 | 10 to 11 a.m. | Free**

Bring a friend to play a fun and competitive game of bingo. Prizes will be awarded, and snacks are available. Bingo is sponsored by Jacqui Morgan & Laurel Auerbacher from Coldwell Banker Residential Real Estate. Participants must pre-register.

## Mahjong

**Wednesdays | 10 a.m. to 12 noon | Free**

Do you love Mahjong or want to meet others who do? If so, an active group of fun players is just waiting for you to join them. This is not a tutorial class. Players must come and know how to play.

## Mahjong Lessons

**Wednesdays | 9 to 10 a.m. | \$10 registration fee**

**Session 1: September 7 through 28**

**Session 2: October 5 through 26**

**Session 3: November 2 through 30**

Learn the basics to play American Mahjong and practice this fun game with other beginners. Each session contains four weeks of instruction.

## Social Fridays (Viernes Sociales)

**Every Friday | 10 to 12 noon**

Come play the fun game of Cuban dominoes. The strategy involves counting tiles (fichas), guessing which ones your opponents have, and blocking them (tranques). Bring a friend or meet a new one. Participants must pre-register.

# ADULT PROGRAMS

## AARP Driver Safety Course (English)

**November 17 | 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. | \$5 registration fee**

The AARP Smart Driver™ is the nation's first and largest refresher course designed specifically for drivers 50+. For over 35 years, the course has taught more than 16 million motorists proven safety strategies to continue driving safely for as long as possible. Plus, after taking the course, drivers could be eligible for a multi-year discount on their auto insurance. AARP members pay \$20, and non-members pay \$25 on the day of the class. Participants must pre-register.

## Art History Class

**Thursdays, September 22 through October 27 | 11 a.m. to 12 noon | Free**

A series of six one-hour lectures on Western Art from distinct eras will be presented by Dora Valdes-Fauli, a passionate contributor and supporter of the South Florida arts scene. Era topics include Pre-historic, Egyptian, Ancient Greece, Renaissance, Baroque & Classicism, Impressionism, and Modern Art. Participants must pre-register.

## Community Knowledge Series

Are you an expert in history, art, or culture? Do you have knowledge or skills you would like to share with others? Let us know and become part of the Community Knowledge Series. The Parks and Recreation Department seeks individuals who want to share their experiences and knowledge during a monthly one-hour lecture series beginning in the fall. Participants must pre-register.

## Computer Software & Hardware Skills and Tips Class

**Tuesdays, September 20 through October 25 | 10 a.m. | \$75 for six classes**

Learn the basics about computers: hardware and software, Windows 11, surfing the Internet, Word, Excel, photo editing, and organizing files. Classes are small to offer more one-on-one instruction. This is a six-session course, and participants must bring a laptop. Participants must pre-register.

## Freebee & Community Pass Class

**Thursday, September 15 | 10 to 11 a.m.**

Learn the basics about computers: hardware and software, Windows 11, surfing the Internet, Word, Excel, photo editing, and organizing files. Classes are small to offer more one-on-one instruction. This is a six-session course, and participants must bring a laptop. Participants must pre-register.



## Golden Palette Art Classes

**Ages 55+ | September 20 and November 1 | 11 a.m. to 12 noon | Free**

Let your creativity flow with art classes taught by Katey Penner. All levels are welcome, and materials are included. Sponsored by United Health. Class size is limited. Participants must pre-register.

## iPad & iPhone Skills & Tips Class

**November 1, 3, 8, and 10 | 10 a.m. | \$60 for 4 classes**

Want to learn how to use and manage apps on your iPad or iPhone? Sign up for this four-part series designed to build confidence and understanding as you navigate your device. Participants must bring their iPad or iPhone to participate. Participants must pre-register.

## Knit & Crochet Enthusiast Club

**Second and Fourth Thursday each month | 1 to 3 p.m. | Free**

Get your needles and hooks ready to stitch with friends. All experience levels are welcome to participate in the free flow of information, knowledge, tips, technique, and instruction on varied projects. Pull together your ideas, patterns, tools, and yarn and join other enthusiasts. Participants must pre-register.

## Open Studio: Adult Lessons in Acrylic, Watercolor, or Drawing

**Ages 18+ | Thursdays 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. or 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.**

**Sundays 9 a.m. to 12 noon or 10 a.m. to 12 noon**

**\$30 per three-hour class, \$20 per two-hour class**

Beginners through advanced artists can choose their medium of interest: watercolor, acrylic, pencil, or pastels and work at their own pace to produce a masterpiece. Classes are held weekly throughout the year. Bring a friend and they can try a class for free. The class syllabus and suggested materials are listed by medium and are available at [www.wildpalette.com](http://www.wildpalette.com).

## Techie Tuesdays Series iPhone Class

**September 13, October 18, and November 8 | 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. | Free**

Technology is quickly changing, and most things are accessible via a smartphone. Learn how to use your iPhone and all its features. Topics include downloading apps, texting, FaceTime, how to post on social media, e-mail, sending pictures, and more. Participants must pre-register.



# TRIPS

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## Mini Golf at Palmetto Golf

**October 21 | 10 a.m. to 12 noon | Meet at Palmetto Golf Course | \$10**

Bring a friend to play a fun and competitive game of bingo. Prizes will be awarded, and snacks are available. Bingo is sponsored by Jacqui Morgan & Laurel Auerbacher from Coldwell Banker Residential Real Estate. Participants must pre-register.

# LECTURES

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## Accessing Community Resources

**November 15 | 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. | Free**

This session will contain vital information that may help you or someone you love. We want you to recognize that our community offers many supportive services. Information is power whether you serve as a volunteer, supporter, or beneficiary. Be informed and know you live in a community that cares.

## Home Safety Tips

**November 30 | 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. | Free**

Self-care is vitally important, and it starts with our environment. Get tips and insight about creating a safe home environment. Learn valuable information that will keep you safe at home.

## Health Screenings: Weight Management

**September 19 | 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. | Free**

The Florida Department of Health of Miami-Dade County will give a brief presentation on health, weight management, and nutrition. Body mass index, body fat analysis, and diabetes assessment screenings will be provided to all that attend.

## Health Screenings: Blood Pressure

**October 7 | 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. | Free**

The Florida Department of Health of Miami-Dade County will give a brief presentation on blood pressure and health tips. Blood pressure screenings will be provided to all who attend. Participants must pre-register.

## How to Eliminate Pain and Enjoy Life

**September 26 | 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.**

Theresa Gilmore, LAc, will discuss the logical journey into why many suffer from pain as they age. Most people spend their health trying to achieve wealth and retire and spend their wealth getting their health back. Theresa will show you how to have balance now.

## Medicare Mondays Presented by United Healthcare

**Mondays, October 17 through November 14 | 10 a.m. to 12 noon | Free**

Medicare Made Clear® educational seminar. Join Lucy Watson to learn about your Medicare choices. Learn about tools and resources to help you understand the coverage that may be right for you, including a free educational guide. Whether you are just getting started with Medicare or simply looking to learn more, we're here to help.

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## Planning for Retirement 4 Part Series Presented by AvMed Estate/Life Planning

**September 21 | 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. | Free**

Life planning often requires the guidance of professionals, and this session will provide the information needed to plan for your future. We join leading professionals to share pertinent information and available resources to help you plan, identify your priorities, and take proactive steps to protect your interests and wellbeing.

## Understanding Medicare

**October 26 | 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. | Free**

Understanding Medicare is easier said than done. Medicare is complex with lots of parts, costs, benefits, coverage options, and rules. Even if you currently have Medicare coverage, you likely still have questions about how it works or how to make changes in the future. Because several stipulations come with being a Medicare beneficiary, you must be aware of deadlines and the rules surrounding what exactly will be covered when you need to use it. The good news is there are some easy ways to understand Medicare no matter what stage you're in. This workshop will provide information on your options, how they all work, and what makes sense for you.





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