

### March 23 & 24

#### **Greater Fort Lauderdale** Food & Wine Festival

This inaugural festival benefiting Feeding South Florida will showcase Broward County's most esteemed and emerging chefs and restaurateurs. gflfoodwine.com

### April 5

### Las Olas Wine & Food Festival

For this 24th annual food and wine event, foodies will flock to Las Olas Boulevard to indulge in the culinary creations of South Florida chefs while raising money for the American Lung Association. lasolaswff.com

### April 6

### **Dolphins Cancer Challenge**

Since 2010, this active event has raised over \$27.5 million for the University of Miami Sylvester Comprehensive Cancer Center. The tricounty ride/5K features several routes, all of which conclude at Hard Rock Stadium. dolphinscancerchallenge.com

### April 12

### Stranahan House 2019 Pineapple Jam

The historic Stranahan House celebrates its inaugural "Pioneer Honorees" at this fundraising event, with proceeds supporting historic preservation and educational programs. stranahanhouse.org

### April 18-21

### 28th Annual Fort Lauderdale International Auto Show

Rev your engines for this weekend car show that invites attendees to test popular cars and trucks and even negotiate deals. The event benefits Bovs & Girls Clubs of Broward County. ftlauderdaleautoshow.com

### April 28

### Walk like MADD and MADD Dash Fort Lauderdale

Hosted by MADD Broward, this signature walk/run from Huizenga Plaza raises money and awareness in an effort to eliminate drunk and drugged driving. walklikemadd.org



## May 4

## **DEBBIE'S DREAM FOUNDATION 10TH** ANNUAL DREAM MAKERS GALA

Debbie's Dream Foundation: Curing Stomach Cancer (DDF) will celebrate its 10th anniversary at Margaritaville Hollywood Beach Resort during the 10th annual Dream Makers Gala. DDF Founder Debbie Zelman lost her battle with stage 4 stomach cancer on Dec. 23, 2017, after defying doctors' prognosis for nearly 10 years. The event will raise funds for stomach cancer research and ensure that Zelman's legacy lives on as DDF continues to advocate on behalf of stomach patients worldwide. debbiesdream.org



# **SPOTLIGHT** SOUTH FLORIDA SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

### Feb. 17

### Special Presentation: Vienna Boys Choir

Fort Lauderdale

This special performance by South Florida Symphony features the Vienna Boys Choir, which, having been founded in 1498, is one of the oldest and most important musical groups in the world. Illustrious composers, including Mozart, Bruckner, Gluck and Schubert, have written pieces specifically for delivery by the choir.

### Feb. 20-22

### Masterworks II

### Key West, Fort Lauderdale, Boca Raton

Pianist Natasha Paremski, whose astounding virtuosity and voracious interpretative abilities brought her several prestigious artist prizes at an early age, presents Rachmaninov's Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganini. The program also features Moncayo's Huapango and Nielsen's Symphony No. 4 ("The Inextinguishable").

### March 10-14

### Masterworks III

### Key West, Fort Lauderdale, Boca Raton

Pianist Svetlana Smolina, who recently toured seven Chinese cities (including Changsha for the opening of its new concert hall) and appeared in Argentina's "Best Pianists of the 21st Century" series, returns to South Florida with Tchaikovsky's Piano Concerto No. 1 in B Flat Minor. Ravel's Alborada del Gracioso, Rimsky-Korsakov's Capriccio Espagnol and Debussy's La Mer complete the concert.

### April 13-16

### Masterworks IV

Key West, Fort Lauderdale

For South Florida Symphony's season finale, cellist Julian Schwarz presents Liebermann's first Concerto for Cello and Orchestra, which was sponsored by a five-orchestra consortium during the 2017-18 season. Holst's The Perfect Fool: Ballet Music and Shostakovich's Symphony No. 5 close the performance.

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### STILES 17TH ANNUAL LIGHT UP DOWNTOWN TO BENEFIT JACK & JILL CHILDREN'S CENTER

n Nov. 27, more than 700 attendees gathered in the Plaza on Las Olas for the 17th annual STILES Light Up Downtown to benefit Jack & Jill Children's Center. The spirit of the holidays was alive with festive activities, carnival rides, games, entertainers and more. The event culminated with the lighting of the 30-foot-tall Christmas tree in the plaza. Nearly \$100,000 was raised to help provide scholarships and support for the children of Jack & Jill in the coming year. jackandjillcenter.org

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## **DEBBIE'S DREAM FOUNDATION DREAM BIG LEGACY LUNCHEON**

In November, **Debbie's Dream Foundation:** LCuring Stomach Cancer hosted its fourth annual Dream BIG Legacy Luncheon at Jacaranda Country Club in Plantation. The event was attended by more than 170 guests and raised nearly \$50,000 to fund research and resources for stomach cancer patients and their families worldwide. The luncheon included a heartfelt video presentation honoring the legacy of late DDF Founder Debbie Zelman. Pat Campola, a stage 2 stomach cancer survivor, was presented with the inaugural Debbie Zelman Legacy Award in recognition of his long-standing involvement as a mentor in DDF's Patient Resource Education Program, a member of DDF's Board of Directors and an advocate for others similarly affected by stomach cancer. debbiesdream.org

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