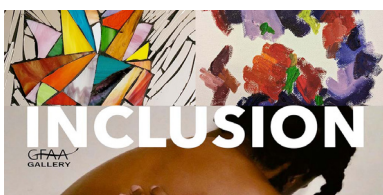


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### Be Informed.

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### Celebrate 7 Years of Music with the Heartwood Soundstage Festival – 3 Days of Top Regional Live Music Acts and More with a Heaping Helping of Indie Verve, Gainesville-style

**February 24-26 | Heartwood Soundstage  
619 S Main St., Gainesville, FL 32601**

Surround yourself with exceptional indie bands, sunny vibes and a few hundred of your favorite friends at the 3-day seventh annual Heartwood Soundstage Music Fest. Celebrating original music and art, the festival features food trucks, vendors and over 40 performers on indoor and outdoor stages. Sponsored in part by Visit Gainesville, Alachua County

### Share Memories of the Gainesville Music Scene in the 1970s Featuring the Great Southern Music Hall and Photography of John Moran

**Friday, February 24, 7 p.m. | Matheson History Museum**

**513 E University Ave., Gainesville, 32601**

Between 1974 and 1968 the top music venue in Gainesville was the Great Southern Music Hall. Owners Jeffrey Meldon and Jim Forsman put a spotlight on legendary national artists. On Friday, Jim Forsman, Jeffrey Meldon, John Moran, and Albert Teebagy, with moderator Bill DeYoung share their stories from the music scene. Attendees can join the discussion and share their stories. The piano played by Ray Charles at the Great Southern Music Hall will be on display. Sponsored in part by Visit Gainesville, Alachua County

### See Birds of Prey and Sip Craft Beer at Pints and Predators

**Saturday, February 25, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. | First Magnitude Brewing Company  
1220 SE Veitch St., Gainesville, FL 32601**

Join local wildlife rehabilitators and educators for the 9th Annual Pints and Predators. Live animal ambassadors include the bald eagle, barred owl, red-tailed hawk, creatures of the night like Virginia opossum and bats. Learn more and get tickets online.

### Discover Diverse Artists and Exhibits on Self-Guided Artwalk Gainesville

**Friday, February 24, 7 p.m. – 10 p.m. | Various Locations**

17 unique galleries and exhibits are featured in February including GFAA's exhibit reception, 53 artists with the How Bazar at First Magnitude Brewing Company, Wooden Blankets with Chris Mott Art at the AUK Market and more.

### View a Showcase of Artists at GFAA's Exhibit: Inclusion

**Friday, February 24, 7 p.m. – 10 p.m. | GFAA Gallery**

**1314 S Main St., Gainesville, FL 32601**

The Gainesville Fine Arts Association celebrates 100 years of art with a series of exhibitions named after GFAA's governing values. Inclusion features an assortment of artists historically underrepresented. Join the exhibit reception during Artwalk Gainesville to meet artists and view artist awards.



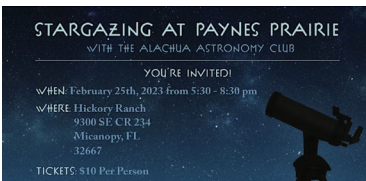
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**Find Harmony with Kings Return A Cappella Quartet, UpStage at the Phillips Center Friday, February 24, 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. | UF Phillips Center 3201 Hull Rd., Gainesville, FL 32611**

Internet sensation Kings Return captures the essence of an old-school a cappella quartet with sounds inspired by gospel and R&B, and has a reputation for performing diverse arrangements from Ave Maria to How Deep is Your Love and God Bless America.



**Gaze Upon the Prairie Stars with Powerful Telescopes and Guidance from the Alachua Astronomy Club**

**Saturday, February 25, 5:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. | Hickory Ranch at Paynes Prairie Preserve State Park 9300 SE CR 234, Micanopy, FL 32667**

Paynes Prairie Preserve State Park delivers a pristine view of the night sky. Look up with the Alachua Astronomy Club and learn about stars and planets. There will be music and a food truck on site. Bring a blanket or your own chairs for seating and enjoy an enriching family-friendly activity.



**Enjoy Delicious Food and Fun for the Whole Family at the 5th Annual International Food Truck Rally**

**Sunday, February 26, 2 p.m. - 8 p.m. | First Magnitude Brewing Company 1220 SE Veitch St., Gainesville, FL 32601**

For the 5th year in a row, First Mag and MA entertainment have partnered for an international food festival complimented with live music and fun activities for all ages. Savor international flavors from Arepas Milko, Cajun Knights Fusion Cuisine, Lulu's Gelato, Latin Food Blessing, Rancho Luna and more. Visit "The Source" taproom for craft beer, ciders and seltzers.



**Celebrate Black History Month with Poetry, Live Music, Museum Exhibits and More Tribute to Freedom: A Celebration of Black History Concert at University Auditorium**

Thursday, February 23, 7:20 p.m. - 9 p.m.

**North Central Florida Blues Society's Blues on the Patio at A. Quinn Jones Museum & Cultural Center**

Sunday, February 26, 7 p.m.

**Now on View at the Harn Museum of Art: Posing Beauty in African American Culture at the Harn Museum of Art**

Tuesdays - Wednesdays, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., Thursdays, 10 a.m. - 9 p.m.,

Fridays - Saturdays, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., Sundays, 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.

**We're Tired of Asking: Black Thursday and Civil Rights at the University of Florida at the Matheson History Museum**

Wednesdays - Saturdays, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.

**Join Book Readings, Art Workshops, Film Screenings and More at Alachua County Library District Branch Locations**

Now through February 28

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