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The Adrienne Arsht Center for the Performing Arts of Miami-Dade County
announces



**FREE
GOSPEL
SUNDAYS**
AN ARSHT CENTER SERIES

GOSPEL FEST: A CELEBRATION OF WOMEN

An all-day celebration at the Little Haiti Cultural Center
featuring an all-female lineup of Miami's brightest gospel stars

plus

Stellar Award winner and Grammy nominee
LISA PAGE BROOKS

WPLG Local 10 Anchor Calvin Hughes and
TV/Radio Personality Traci Cloyd host

March 26, 2023 at 2 p.m.
FREE

Little Haiti Cultural Center:
212 NE 59 Terrace
Miami, FL 33137

Miami, FL – March 6, 2023 – The Adrienne Arsht Center for the Performing Arts of Miami-Dade County ([@arshtcenter](https://www.arshtcenter.org)) is proud to celebrate Women's History Month with the first-

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ever **FREE GOSPEL SUNDAYS GOSPELFEST**, featuring an all-female lineup of Miami's brightest gospel stars and starring Stellar Award winner and Grammy nominee **Lisa Page Brooks** ([@lisapagebrooks](#)). For the first time, Free Gospel Sundays is taking place at the Little Haiti Cultural Center with a full day of inspiring music and dance performances across three stages. WPLG Local 10 Anchor **Calvin Hughes** and TV/ radio personality **Traci Cloyd** will host.

Admission to **FREE GOSPEL SUNDAYS GOSPELFEST** is free -- RSVP [here](#).

GOSPELFEST will feature three stages of music and dance. The Marketplace Stage inside the Little Haiti Cultural Center will feature smaller ensembles and solo artists including **Yahsuko, Glory Shalom, Merian Terry, Lady Christina Robinson, Deana Butler Rahming** and **Natalie Jordan Nixon & Family**. The Courtyard Stage will feature larger ensembles, including **Sherry Moses & Company, Francine Ealey Murphy & Company** and **Lisa Page Brooks**. The Liturgical Dance Stage will feature a liturgical dance workshop with **Dr. Constance McIntyre, artistic director of The McIntyre Institute**, a panel discussion on liturgical dance and gospel music and liturgical dance showcases from dance troupes from across Miami-Dade County. For a complete list of artist bios, click [here](#).

Limited spaces are available for the liturgical dance workshop; click [here](#) to RSVP.

Click [here](#) to view the full performance schedule for **GOSPELFEST**.

In between performances throughout the day, audiences are invited to enjoy food trucks and shop the local vendor marketplace in the Little Haiti Cultural Center complex.

FREE GOSPEL SUNDAYS is made possible with the leadership support of Rodney and Michelle Adkins, as well as the generous support of the Green Family Foundation Trust, Baptist Health South Florida, The Israel, Rose, Henry and Robert Wiener Charitable Foundation, the Friends of Free Gospel Sundays, the Miami-Dade County Mayor and the Board of County Commissioners, the Miami-Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs and the Cultural Affairs Council, the State of Florida, Department of State, Division of Arts and Culture and the Florida Council on Arts and Culture.

ABOUT THE ARSHT CENTER'S COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PROGRAMS

FREE GOSPEL SUNDAYS is one of the 10 ongoing Arsht Center programs committed to community engagement and deepening the experience of the performing arts for all Miami-Dade County residents. Having served more than 105,000 people throughout its 16-year history, the programs broaden community participation and open the sights, sounds and possibilities of the world through the performing arts. New programs include: **Broadway on Biscayne**, a series of pre-and post- performance experiences giving audiences a closer look at the shows; and **Club Broadway** which brings together a cohort of teen Broadway enthusiasts for shows and workshops. Existing programs

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include: [Family Fest](#) (Presenting Sponsor: Baptist Health), a season of free performances featuring the world's leading family-friendly artists; [The Heritage Project](#) (Presenting Sponsor: Bank of America), a free salon series and annual festival featuring panel discussions surrounding performing arts and social justice in the Black community; [AileyCamp Miami](#), a full-scholarship, six-week summer dance camp which uses dance as a vehicle for the personal development of young people; [CommuniTea Dance](#), an annual celebration honoring Miami's LGBTQ+ community; [Knight Masterworks Classical Conversations](#), a series of free lectures which give the audience insight into the musicians, composers and history of music presented in our Knight Masterworks Classical Music series; [Accessing the Arts Residencies](#), art workshops for children and adults with disabilities; and [Arsht on the Road](#) (Presenting Sponsor: TD Bank), a series of free pop-up performances that bring the arts into Miami-Dade County's diverse neighborhoods.



Image of the Little Haiti Cultural Center – Photo by Eyeworks Production



Image of Free Gospel Sundays – Photo by Eyeworks Production



Image of Lisa Page Brooks – Photo courtesy artist management



Image of Yahsuko – Photo courtesy artist management

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Image of Glory Shalom – Photo courtesy artist management



Image of Merian Terry – Photo courtesy artist management



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About Us

Set in the heart of downtown Miami, the Adrienne Arsht Center for the Performing Arts of Miami-Dade County is committed to welcoming and connecting ALL people to the arts, to the Arsht Center and to each other. Our stages are alive year-round with artists from around the world, innovative programming from our resident companies and local arts partners, free community events that reflect Miami's unique identity and arts education experiences for thousands of Miami children each year.

Since opening in 2006, the Arsht Center, a 501C3 non-profit organization, has been recognized as a catalyst for billions of dollars in new development in the downtown area, a leader in programming that mirrors South Florida's diversity, a host venue for historic events and Miami's hub for arts education.

Each year, we serve more than 60,000 young learners and offer more than 100 culturally diverse and inclusive education programs — many enhanced by the Arsht Center's relationship with Miami-Dade County Public Schools, local teaching artists and Miami-based arts organizations.

The Arsht Center is also a home stage for three resident companies — Florida Grand Opera, Miami City Ballet and New World Symphony — and a launch pad for local artists to make their mark on the international stage. Our 300+ events each year include the Center's Signature Series of classical, jazz, Broadway, local theater and much more. We present a robust series of touring Broadway musicals direct from New York, the largest jazz series in South Florida, a major annual Flamenco Festival and an award-winning Miami-based theater program. In addition, our Family Fest, Free Gospel Sundays, CommuniTEA LGBTQ+ celebration and Heritage Fest are among dozens of free events that bring together people from all corners of our community. For more information, visit arshtcenter.org.