

Boca Raton set to hold monthly Food Truck Friday Series

BY BRETT SHWEKY

For food fanatics and live music enthusiasts, the City of Boca Raton Recreation Services are holding monthly events that will satisfy your craving for a fun-packed Friday. On the second Friday of each month, the Food Truck Friday series will be coming to the local area and provide guests the opportunity to enjoy a variety of food options and live music performances. Various parks in the Boca Raton area will hold the special events and will offer lunch or dinner experiences for attendees. "We had such an over-

whelming response to our monthly Food Truck Friday mid-day events that we have included some evening events for those who can't take a lunch break or would like to bring their school aged children," Boca Raton's Recreation Services Director Michael Kalvort said in a news release. The opening Food Truck Friday of 2020 will take place Friday from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Wildflower Property, 551 East Palmetto Park Road. Food trucks on hand will include Daddy's Grill, Kona Ice, Needa Pita, Outside the Box and Tacos Veracruz, while live mu-

sic for the event will be presented by the Fireside Prophets. Upcoming Food Truck Friday events include:
 ■ Feb. 14: Sanborn Square, 72 North Federal Highway (11:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.)
 ■ March 13: Memorial Park, 150 Crawford Boulevard (11:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.)
 ■ April 10: Countess de Hoernle Park, 1000 NW Spanish River Boulevard (5:30 p.m. - 9 p.m.)
 ■ May 8: Red Reef Park, 1400 N Ocean Boulevard (5:30 p.m. - 9 p.m.)
 ■ June 12: Sanborn Square, 72 North Federal Highway (5:30 p.m. - 9 p.m.)



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Fushu Daiko perform during the New Year's celebration at Morikami Museum.

Oshogatsu New Year's celebration to ring in the Year of the Rat

BY AUSTEN ERBLAT

The year 2020 marks the Year of the Rat in Japanese and Chinese zodiac, and the Morikami Museum and Japanese Gardens in Delray Beach will ring in the new year with its 42nd annual Osho gatsu celebration. Osho gatsu, which translates to "New Year," is Japan's most important

yearly observance and a time of renewal, according to the museum. Morikami will exhibit some of Japan's customary traditions at its Osho gatsu celebration, including a sado tea ceremony, taiko drumming and koto performances. Attendees will be able to learn about mochi-making and the significance of kite flying. Morikami's Osho gatsu

celebration will take place on Sunday, Jan. 12 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at 4000 Morikami Park Road in Delray Beach. Tickets are \$20 for age 11 and older, \$10 for children 4 to 10, and free for museum members and children age 3 and younger. For a full list of events, visit Morikami.org or call 561-495-0233.

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Taylor Swift, left, and Janet Mock will be honored by GLAAD for their work promoting LGBTQ acceptance.

GLAAD shines light on Swift, Mock

Taylor Swift is adhering to the wisdom of her 2019 pop song, "You Need to Calm Down." Instead of getting mad, she's getting GLAAD in 2020. Swift will receive the Vanguard Award at the 31st annual GLAAD Media Awards on April 16, while writer, director and producer Janet Mock ("Pose") will receive the Stephen F. Kolzak Award. The Vanguard Award celebrates Swift for using her platform to champion LGBTQ acceptance. Previous Vanguard Award recipients include Beyoncé and Jay-Z, Jennifer Lopez, Britney Spears and Kerry Washington. "From boldly standing up against anti-LGBTQ elected officials to shining attention on the urgent need to protect LGBTQ people from discrimination through the Equality Act, Taylor Swift proudly uses her unique ability to influence pop culture (and) to promote LGBTQ acceptance," GLAAD president and CEO Sarah Kate Ellis said. "In a time of political and cultural division, Taylor creates music that unites and calls on her massive fan following to speak up and call for change." Mock's "Pose" script "Love is the Message" made history when she became the first trans woman of color to write and direct a TV episode. In June 2019, Mock signed a three-year multimillion-dollar contract at Netflix, making her the first out trans storyteller to land a deal of its kind at a major content company. "Janet Mock is a trailblazing force for diverse and inclusive storytelling who has raised the bar for LGBTQ representation in Hollywood," said Ellis. "She tells stories that need to be told." Mock is also an author whose books include "Re-defining Realness" and "Surpassing Certainty."

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Mr. Timothee Man: Bob Dylan will be executive producer of his own biopic, starring Timothee Chalamet, according to the Hollywood Reporter. James Mangold, who just did "Ford v Ferrari," will direct. The script is based on Elijah Wald's 2015 book, "Dylan Goes Electric." Mangold directed the 2005 Johnny Cash biopic, "Walk the Line."

The Goodbye Baker: A celebrity edition of popular British cooking format "Bake Off" has added an Oscar-winner to its ingredients. Richard Dreyfuss is in the lineup for "The Great Celebrity Bake Off for Stand Up to Cancer," which will air later this year. "Jaws" and "American Graffiti" star Dreyfuss won the Academy Award for best actor for his role in "The Goodbye Girl" in the late 1970s.

BAFTA nods: "Joker" has topped the nominations for the British Academy film awards, receiving 11 BAFTA nominations including best film, best actor for Joaquin Phoenix, and best director for Todd Phillips. Martin Scorsese's gangster epic "The Irishman" and Quentin Tarantino's "Once Upon a Time in Hollywood" were close behind with 10 nominations, including best picture. The awards will be announced Feb. 2.

Jan. 8 birthdays: Singer Shirley Bassey is 83. Game show host Bob Eubanks is 82. Guitarist Robby Krieger is 74. Actress Michelle Forbes is 55. Reggae singer Sean Paul is 47. Singer Jenny Lewis is 44.

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