

## Sundial Quarterly Report

01.01.21-01.28.21

All Sundial Segments are Subject to Change

### **Sundial Rundown 01.04.21-01.07.21**

#### **Monday 01.04**

Segment A: Miami Mayor Francis Suarez [ZOOM] to discuss the state of the city and the challenges of trying to work with a governor that is not very helpful.

Segment B: Vaccine Roll-out. Veronica Zaragovia [ZOOM] (possibly Stephanie Colombini) to discuss the challenges of getting people vaccinated. We can do a shoutout Thursday the week before to gather questions.

Segment C: Tripp Eldridge and Carmen Eldridge [husband and wife] from Palm Beach County Agrihood Arden [ZOOM] tell us what it's like to live in an "agrihood" community and how you can build your own butterfly garden. Also, how butterflies can help your garden flourish this new year. We talk about food access and hear kids read excerpts from a poem competition they had about butterflies and agriculture.

#### **Tuesday 01.05**

Segment A: Florida and Georgia Politics with Susan MacManus and Charles Bullock ahead of the GA Senate runoff.

Segment B: Dr. Charlene Désir is an Associate Professor at Nova Southeastern University. She has focused on Haitian history and Haitian studies, she joins us to talk about the history of Haitian Independence Day (Jan.1) and the significance of that today. She's also back from a recent trip to Haiti. [Chris and Luis, please see the email thread in your inbox. I have not pre-interviewed Dr. Désir]

Segment C: 2020 proved to be a historic year with an unprecedented global health crisis, the largest protests for racial justice in U.S. history and a presidential election. History Miami is seeking items to create a communal archive of the year — and they need your help.

#### **Wednesday 01.06**

Segment A: Home sales continue to rise in South Florida despite the economic downturn caused by the Coronavirus pandemic. More Americans are moving to Florida from places like New York and California to pay lower taxes — as workplaces remain remote. We spoke with Miami Herald reporters Rebecca San Juan and Rene Rodriguez.

Segment B: The story of Bendross-Mindingall's neighborhood, known as the Railroad Shop Colored Addition, was incredibly important to former WLRN reporter Nadege Green. Now, as the director of community research and storytelling at the Community Justice Project, Green is continuing to amplify the stories and history of Black Miami. She's also started an Instagram page, called Black Miami Dade, where she's continuing to collect stories and share that history.

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### **Thursday 01.07**

Segment A: A mob of Trump supporters attacked the U.S. Capitol Wednesday in an unsuccessful attempt to stop the official certification of Joe Biden's electoral college victory. Democratic Congresswoman Lois Frankel, representing parts of Palm Beach County, was in D.C. for the vote and was forced to shelter in place for five hours.

Segment B: Project GOLD is a program run by the Miami-based nonprofit Kristi House. The program is a kind of drop-in facility used to provide services to survivors of human trafficking. The Children's Trust of Miami-Dade County named Project GOLD as the top nonprofit program for 2020.

Segment C: UM Kinesiology professor Dr. Kysha Harriell joins us to discuss how we can work better from home. Looking down at our screens can make us more susceptible to injuries, she tells us what we can do to prevent that. We talk posture, organizing your workspace, screen time and how to enhance your physical health while working from home.

PHONE/ZOOM [Chris and Luis you are looped in on these emails, see in your inbox]

## **Sundial Rundown 01.11.21-01.14.21**

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### **Monday 01.11 --**

Segment A: The College Football Championship is being played at the Hard Rock Stadium in Miami Gardens tonight. How is the stadium ensuring fans will be safe? Jose Sotolongo with the Greater Miami Visitors and Convention Bureau.

**ZOOM**

Segment B: Miami Mayor Francis Suarez joins us to discuss the vaccine distribution in the city, the economic troubles facing Miami and his relationship with Miami-Dade Mayor Danielle Levine Cava.

**PHONE**

Segment C: The hit Netflix series the Queen's Gambit, follows an orphaned girl who goes on to become a chess prodigy, defying the sexism that followed her in the 50s and 60s. The score of the show is receiving rave reviews and was composed by Frost School of Music member Carlos Rafael Rivera. We talk with Rivera about the process of composing for film.

**ZOOM**

### **Tuesday 01.12**

Segment A: South Beach is attempting to rebrand himself amidst the Coronavirus pandemic. Mayor Dan Gelber wants to shift away from the "nightlife culture" and attract a different group of tourists. WLRN's Daniel Rivero joins us to discuss.

**COMREX**

Segment B: There's a fight over wetlands protections in the Everglades after a ruling found the state can release wetlands to developers that were previously protected by the federal government. Betty Osceola is an environmental activist with the Miccosukee Tribe. She and WLRN Environmental Reporter Jenny Staletovich explain the latest fight.

**ZOOM**

Segment C: Matt Beatty spent years as a leader at the Miami Foundation. Now he's taking over as COO of the Carrie P. Meak Foundation -- with a focus on combating systemic racism in Miami-Dade County. We speak with Beatty about his new position, the racism we witnessed in the attack on the nation's Capitol and the future of the BLM

movement in South Florida.

**ZOOM**

**Wednesday 01.13 -- NO SHOW SCHOOL BOARD**

**Thursday 01.14**

Segment A: Director of MIA Lester Solis joined us to discuss air travel during the pandemic, what he witnessed over Thanksgiving and Christmas and whether airlines will be able to survive the latest wave of the pandemic.

**PRE-TAPE**

Segment B: Miami-Dade Mayor Danielle Levine Cava announced the county's very first Chief Bay Officer. Irela Bagué will advise the Mayor and the County Commissioners on policy and action to protect Biscayne Bay and the ecosystems its connected to.

**ZOOM**

Segment C: Residents of the Valencia Reserve neighborhood, west of Boynton Beach, are dealing with un-welcomed guests developing a major project. Douglas DeBruin, Chet Raley and Darin Montgomery have been illegally building a lake without a permit adjacent to the residents' properties.

**Sundial Rundown 01.18.21-01.21.21**

**01.18.21 Monday Martin Luther King Day Special**

We rebroadcast some of our conversations over the past year focused on social justice and civil rights -- including a panel discussion about defunding the police, a look at the Historic Hampton House and the play One Night in Miami performed at the Colony Theater in Miami Beach.

**01.19.21 Tuesday**

SEGMENT A: Former Florida Department of Health whistle-blower has been released after turning herself in to state police.

SEGMENT B: The Sundial Book Club's January pick — 'The Orchid Thief.'

SEGMENT C: And Richard Blanco on what it means to be an inaugural poet.

## **01.20.21 WEDNESDAY -- NO SHOW SCHOOL BOARD**

### **01.21.21 THURSDAY**

SEG A: Madeline Pumariega explains her vision as Miami-Dade College's new president.

SEG B: Hundreds of thousands of South Floridians have already received their COVID-19 vaccine doses, who's next on the list?

SEG C: And Elon Musk proposes building a system of tunnels under Miami.

## **SUNDIAL RUNDOWN 01.25-01.28**

### **Monday 01.25**

**SEGMENT A:** Members of the Florida legislature are continuing to meet ahead of session in March -- with the first conversations surrounding a COVID-19 response happening in the past two weeks. We'll hear from State Senator Tina Polsky from Boca Raton about plans for Palm Beach County. We'll also hear about her new bill to ban the controversial practice of gay conversion therapy.

**SEGMENT B:** The new documentary film "Some Kind of Heaven" takes viewers inside the incredible and wild world of The Villages in central Florida. A retirement community with over 120,000 residents -- it advertises itself as the "Disney World for adults." However, as filmmaker Lance Oppenheim from Ft. Lauderdale discovers -- there's a lot more nuance and complications facing residents in the community.

**SEGMENT C:** Shelbie Ressler is a Ft. Lauderdale native attending Julliard for her masters -- she recently was given the honor to work as a sound mixer for one of the music performances during the inauguration. Furthermore, she's behind the viral video from last year of an orchestra performing "What the World Needs Now" -- with musicians in different homes all over the globe.

### **TUESDAY 01.26**

**SEGMENT A:** Now that Joe Biden is sworn into office, how do we expect US immigration policy to change? Will Biden's new DHS Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas, take a similar approach to deportations and DACA? We have a panel conversation with WLRN's Americas Editor Tim Padgett, Vilma Petrash at Miami Dade College and Marleine Bastien with the Family Action Movement Network.

**SEGMENT B: (OPEN)**

**SEGMENT C:** The United States Postal Service recently announced the first Cuban American artist to be listed on a Forever Stamp. Emilio Sanchez travelled around the Caribbean and Latin America to capture the art of indigenous creators and architectural landscapes. Victor Depui at the University of Miami recently wrote a book on Sanchez, he joins us to discuss.

### **WEDNESDAY 01.27**

**SEGMENT A:** The Director of Ft. Lauderdale Airport, Mark Gale, joins us to discuss air travel during COVID. Unlike MIA, FLL does have a COVID testing system on the premises and has already conducted thousands of tests for passengers flying through. We'll also learn about vaccine availability for staff.

### **SEGMENT B: (OPEN)**

**SEGMENT C:** This month for the Sundial Book Club we've been reading *The Orchid Thief* -- about a rare flower collector who scavenges the Everglades seeking priceless orchids. We've assembled a panel of readers to discuss what they love about the book. And we heard from the horticulturist at Flamingo Gardens in Broward County.

### **THURSDAY 01.28**

**SEGMENT A:** Manny Diaz, the new President of the Florida Democratic Party, joins us to discuss his vision for the party, how to recover from November's disappointing showing for Dems and how things could look different under the Biden administration.

### **SEGMENT B: OPEN**

**SEGMENT C:** *Miami Creative, A Decade of Transformation*, examines the Magic City's art explosion from the start of Art Basel until 2020. Barry Fellman's photo book and exhibition includes conversations with the artists that helped the art scene evolve here and presents a vision for its future. We hear from Barry and one of the local artists profiled in the book.