

Worth AVE the Year

Historical Walking Tours of Worth Avenue

November M, December I2 and 26, January 9 and 23, February I3 and 27, March I2 and 26, April 9, May 3, June 7, July 5 and August 2



Featuring commentary by historian James Ponce on the history of the famous shopping destination, as well as the unique architecture and historical significance of many of its legendary landmarks, the tours will be held on select. Wednesdays and Saturdays throughout the year. Proclaimed as Palm Beach's only "Two Legged Historical Landmark" by the Palm Beach Town Council in 1996, Ponce was born in St. Augustine and can trace his early Spanish ancestry in Florida back to 1994. More than 49 years ago, Ponce began his Palm Beach career at The Breakers.

Historical Walking Tours of Wonderful Worth Avenue will include visits to Via Parist and Via Mizner.

Recognized as one of the worlds most prestigious shopping destinations, Worth Avenue is famous for its international collection of designer fashions, jewelry, furniture, restaurants, art. gift boutiques and spa salons. An architectural treasure, the Avenue boasts more than 200 boutiques, some of which have been serving customers since 1925. Tours will begin at II am. in the Gucci Courtyard and last approximately one hour. The complimentary tours are offered as a public service.

Holiday Promenade

Tuesday, November 27

Santa makes an early stop in Palm Beach as he signals the start of the magical shopping season at the Holiday Promenade and Town of Palm Beach Tree Lighting. The annual holiday event features a parade down Worth Avenue, led by Santa Claus, pixies and bagpipers. Celebrating the season in true Palm Beach style, merchants of the world famous shopping destination keep their doors open for an evening of extended hours while local musicians entertain along the Avenue and ballerinas fill shop windows with dance. Start your shopping early at this complimentary, fun event for the whole family. Then send the kiddies home and enjoy dinner at one of the Avenue's renowned restaurants. Make your reservations early, this is the unofficial start of Palm Beach's social and shopping season!

America's Top Dogl

Saturday: December 8

Winners of the America's Top Dog Model contest will arrive by Imousine and be presented on a red carpet runway, with festivities beginning at 1000 a.m. Bring your own top dog and join in the holiday extravaganta. Holiday photos of four-legged (and two-legged) friends will be taken with Santa for a nominal charge until 2:30 p.m. Proceeds to benefit the Palm Beach Zoo at Dreher Park. Music, refreshments and holiday gift ideas for pets. All animal lovers are welcome!

Worth Tasting Launch Party

Thursday, December B

Join the Junior League of the Palm Beaches and the Worth Avenue Association as we launch the Junior League's latest culinary release, "Worth Tasting" to be held 6-8 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 13, in Via Gucci. With more than

200 triple-tested recipes, "Worth Tasting" is a coffee table book ideal for holiday gifts and other special occasions, the sales of which benefit the junior League's many community programs.

Tickets are \$50 in advance, \$65 at the door, and include one coolibook per person, as well as by-the-bite food and wine. For more information or to purchase tickets, log on to www.jipb.org, or call [56]; 689-7590.

Pet Parade

Saturday, March 8

From Aardvarks to Zebras, pets of all sets parade the stage as the Worth Avenue Association holds its 15th Annual Pet Parade and Contest. Dogs leave their mark with a polite bank and cats cruise the nurway as all furry friends compete for great prizes and the honor of being one of Palm Beach's finest. The event, which takes place in the Gucci Courtyard, typically attracts more than 200 entries. Eager owners and pets prance on the Worth Avenue rurway as judges award prizes in categories such as Best Smile, Most Regal and Longest Tail. One of the Worth Avenue Association's best-loved events, the Pet Parade packs the countyard with owners and their pets dressed in outrageous coulture. It's definitely a must-see dog-day afternoon.



Worth Avenue After Dark

please check the website for dates

Worth Avenue's restaurants come alive with this special event hosted for various local "Young Friends" organizations. Stops for spirits and many surprises will showcase Worth Avenue once the moon comes out. Check the worthavenue com website for more information.

Seal the Deal

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Shop on Worth Avenue and find many deals worth sealing—all in the name of Easter Seals. Seal the Deal is a week long shopping experience to give shoppers extra promotions at the designer boutiques and specialty stores on the world famous retail avenue. Proceeds from the event will benefit preschool children at Easter Seals' Igoe-Amar Child Development Center, based in West. Palm Beach. For a \$20 donation, guests will receive a goody bag filled with wonderful promotions and an Easter Seals wristband to identify their participation throughout the week. Guests can take advantage of the unheard of sales on designer merchandise and fabulous deals for all wallet sizes! The event culminates on Saturday with remarkable raffle drawings.

Gallery and Gern Stroll

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Highlighting Worth Avenue's galleries, jeweiry and antique and collectible shops, this evening event will showcase the artsy side of Palm Beach's shopping street. Select merchants will welcome guests with extended hours, refreshments and entertainment.