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Thrive Art District: Revitalizing Downtown Fort Lauderdale with Art, Culture, and Community



Fort Lauderdale, FL – June 20, 2024 – Just five blocks from the bustling heart of Flagler Village in Downtown Fort Lauderdale, a new cultural oasis has emerged. Thrive Art District, a visionary development by brothers Jonathon and Abraham Fish, is proud to announce its grand opening. Spanning 5 acres and featuring over 80,000 square feet of retail space, Thrive Art District is set to become a cornerstone of the local arts and business community.

Transforming once rundown warehouses into a vibrant cultural hub, Jonathon and Abraham Fish purchased the property in 2018 with a mission to create an affordable haven for small businesses and local artists. Their vision, realized with the support of City Officials and the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA), was to preserve the heart and soul of Flagler Village amidst the rising costs and development pressures. In December 2023, Thrive Art District officially opened its doors, welcoming tenants and visitors alike.

Thrive Art District is home to a diverse array of local artists, including Jeff Gould, Pavel Ouporov, Joshua Tiktin, Ill Surge, Remote, Carlos Solano, Chnk, Katrina Moldova, Taylor Brown, and many more. These artists have their studios in the district's Art Square, fostering a vibrant and interactive creative community.

At the center of Thrive Art District is Music Square, a 17,000 square foot space that comes alive every weekend with a variety of events. Music Square hosts Artwalk, Cars and Coffee, Markets, Music Festivals, Beer and Wine Festivals, and pop-up events, making it a focal point for weekend entertainment and cultural activities in Fort Lauderdale. The district has quickly attracted a diverse range of tenants who are excited to be part of this thriving community. Businesses such as Uncommon Path Brewing, Glass and Pen Studios, Sellstate 360 Realty, Flagler School of Real Estate, GiGi's Bridal, Blue Diamond Fitness, Obsidian Coffee, Rocu Solutions, Seart Marine, Beyond Haute Vintage, Pleasant Image Distributing, Atomic Freedom Bags, AP Training Center, and Anna King Photography have found a new home in Thrive Art District.

Frank Leon of Glass and Pen Studios remarked, "It was a long wait, but moving here was the best thing that ever happened for us and our company. Our clients love the space and are always complimenting the development."

Robert Ernst, Broker at Sellstate 360 Realty, emphasized the importance of Thrive's affordable space: "The commercial rents in Flagler Village and surrounding areas have become out of reach for most business owners and entrepreneurs. Just look at Las Olas Blvd.—several restaurants have closed due to rent increases. That's why I wanted to be part of what Jonathon and Abraham created: an affordable, creative space where businesses can thrive."

Thrive Art District is actively seeking like-minded creatives, entrepreneurs, restauranteurs, and entertainment businesses to join this dynamic development. For more information about leasing opportunities, contact Robert Ernst with Sellstate 360 Realty at 954-767-1178 or directly at 954-732-1359. You may also visit <u>www.leasingatthrive.com</u> to view their availability, site map, pricing and more information about the Thrive community. For upcoming events, and artist profiles, please visit www.thriveartdistrict.com or follow them on social media at IG: Thriveartdistrict.

About Thrive Art District:

Thrive Art District is a 5-acre cultural and artistic enclave located just five blocks from Flagler Village in Downtown Fort Lauderdale. Featuring over 80,000 square feet of retail space and home to numerous local artists, the district offers a unique blend of art, culture, and entertainment. Music Square, the district's central hub, hosts a variety of events every weekend, making Thrive Art District a premier destination for locals and visitors alike.

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