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See Frank Lloyd Wright's Connection to Fort Lauderdale at the Fort Lauderdale History Center.

New River Inn
231 S.W. 2nd Ave.
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Fort Lauderdale, FL--The Fort Lauderdale Historical Society Inc. (FLHS), now known as the **Fort Lauderdale History Center (FLHC)**, debuted its new exhibit, *Streamline: Frank Lloyd Wright in Fort Lauderdale*, at a special exhibit opening reception on Feb. 5, 2009 at the History Center's 1905 New River Inn.

The exhibit explores a brief chapter in the illustrious career of architect Frank Lloyd Wright. The centerpiece of the exhibit is a model of a vacation cottage, dubbed "Streamline" for its innovative circular design, which Wright designed in 1939 for a spot alongside Fort Lauderdale's New River. Although the house was never built, FLHC has acquired a scale model and copies of Wright's drawings thanks to donor Jon E. Krupnick, who led a movement in the 1990s to build the house as a Frank Lloyd Wright museum. Krupnick will speak at the opening.

"This cottage, an example of Wright's incredible creativity, was mostly forgotten until Mr. Krupnick's valiant efforts to bring the work of Frank Lloyd Wright to life here in Fort Lauderdale," said FLHC Curator Margo Edwards. "The architectural model, with its bright colors and genuine copper trim, really brings to life the spirit of Wright's only tropical design."

The exhibit can be viewed from Tuesday-Saturday, 10 a.m-5 p.m. and Sunday noon-5 p.m. Admission to the Museum is \$10 per person and is free to FLHC members. To find out more about the exhibit, please contact FLHC at 954-463-4431 ext. 13.

The Fort Lauderdale Historical Society Has a New Name and Logo

After many months of discussion, research and customer feedback, the Marketing Committee and the Board of Trustees of the Fort Lauderdale Historical Society, Inc. are excited to introduce their new logo to community friends and visitors. Designed by S.Mark Graphics and inspired by a vintage Fort Lauderdale postcard, the new image is energetic and summons nostalgia of the bright times throughout Fort Lauderdale's past.

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The Historical Society's goal was to maintain its corporate name of Fort Lauderdale Historical Society, Inc., and continue to fulfill its mission to bring the history of Greater Fort Lauderdale to life and preserve it for the enrichment of present and future generations. But, the organization will now do business as the **Fort Lauderdale History Center**. It is important to showcase a "sense of place" that offers historic buildings and a museum, as well as archives and collections, which preserve the history of Greater Fort Lauderdale for present and future generations to enjoy. This branding effort was made possible through a \$10,000 grant from the Community Foundation of Broward, and the History Center thanks them for their generous support. Visit the History Center Tuesday-Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m. and Sunday noon-5 p.m. For more information, please call 954-463-4431 ext. 16.

The Riverwalk Arts & Entertainment Consortium is a cultural partnership between the Performing Arts Center Authority, Museum of Art | Fort Lauderdale, Florida Grand Opera, Concert Association of Florida, Inc., Fort Lauderdale History Center, and Historic Stranahan House Museum. It is supported by the Broward County Board of County Commissioners as recommended by the Broward Cultural Council and the Greater Fort Lauderdale Convention and Visitors Bureau.

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