



# FIU Miami Creative City Initiative

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# **FIU Meetings and Events**

## 2014

December 15, 2014 Richard and Rana kick off meeting with Emily, Brian, Ken and Terry on campus

## 2015

	January 29, 2015	Reimaging washington Ave Event with Mayor Phillip Levine at
		Wolfsonian
	February 19, 2015	Steven meeting with Emily and team on economic development
III.		efforts on campus
•	February 20, 2015	CCG team with entire FIU team to discuss events and plan for 2015
		on campus (Reham joined remotely)
•	March 12, 2015	Steven meeting with Emily in NY to discuss focus groups/economic
		development plan
•	March 19, 2015	Meeting with Mr. Mana requested by Lisa Merritt-cancelled day of
		meeting
•	March 30-31, 2015	Steven trip for data presentation to Brian-Brian cancelled day of

presentation. Rescheduled for April 10





# FIU Meetings and Events Continued

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	April 9-11, 2015	Steven focus groups and CARTA student event (11 <sup>th</sup> )  Data presentation to Brian (10 <sup>th</sup> )  Met with Jeff Miami Director of Economic Development  Met with Larry Williams, Beacon Council President
٠	April 15, 2015	Richard and Rana attended Urban Studios Directors Dinner-invite from John Stuart
•	April 27, 2015	Richard lunch with John Stuart and Nat Belcher (former FIU)
	April 30, 2015	Steven participated in One Community One Goal Academic Leaders Council and the OCOG Creative Design Industry Taskforce
•1	April 30, 2015	Steven met with Jeff Miami Director of Economic Development
•	April 30, 2015	Second roundtable dinner event at Urban Lab-entire CCG Team attended
	May 1, 2015	Steven led and developed 4 innovation roundtables focus group discussions with Emily; roundtables included staff, faculty and outside stakeholders
•	May 4, 2015	Third event-Richard spoke at eMerge event in Miami-Richard and Rana

Delivery of Innovation Report and Year 1 Recap

July 31, 2015





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"The key asset to any city is talent," said Levine "We are creating an entrepreneurial ecosystem where existing talent will want to stay and work and where new talent will want to launch startups."

In addition to other salons throughout the year, CCG will conduct research to further understand and define Miami's creative economy and its impact on the region. The study will examine Greater Miami's talent base, greatest needs and talent-based advantages.

"Greater Miami is at an inflection point," said Florida. "Its economy historically based on tourism and retirement, is shifting to a more robust creative economy, built around its stature as a global city, its ability to attract talent from Latin America, Europe and around the world; its global airport, its natural



assets and quality of place, its arts and culture, educational institutions, and the ongoing resurgence of its urban core. These assets will be critical economic drivers for Miami's future. We are looking forward. to partnering with FIU to bring the city some insights."

FIU Provost and Executive Vice President Kenneth G. Furton noted that this initiative is directly tied to goals in the strategic plans of the College of Architecture + the Arts and FIU.

"Traditionally universities have served as catalysts for the creative economy, helping to create ecos y stems where creative talent and enterprises thrive," said Furton, "We want to use all of our resources, including the talents of students and faculty in the College of Architecture + The Arts, to spur economic development in Miami and beyond."

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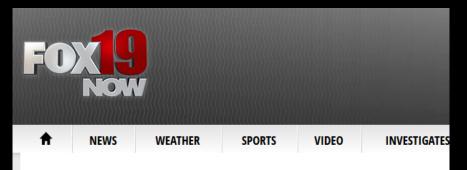
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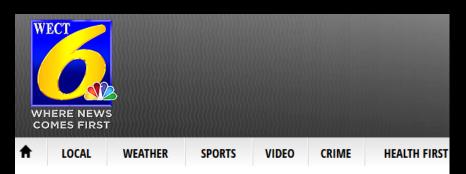
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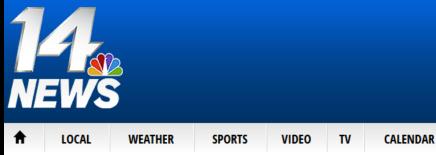




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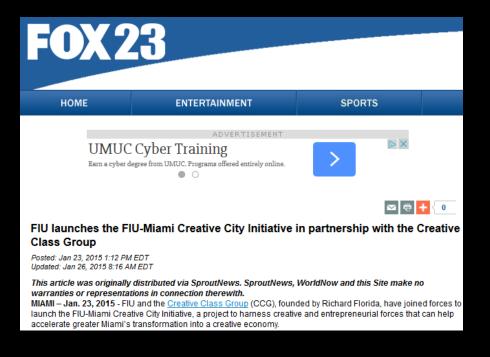
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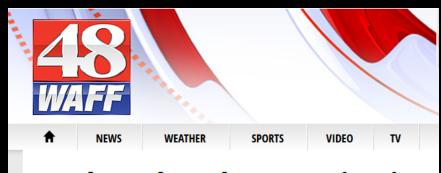


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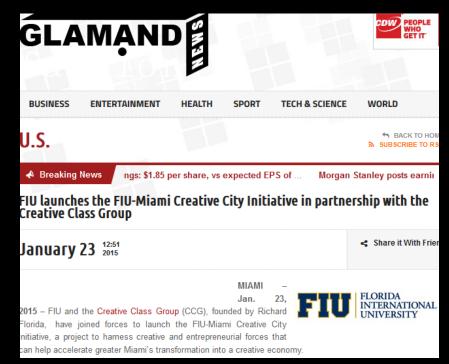
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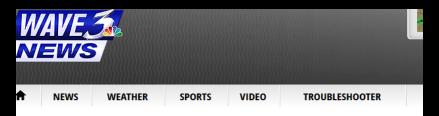
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### CREATIVE CITY PANEL WITH RICHARD FLORIDA, MIAMI BEACH MAYOR LEVINE & FIU PRESIDENT ROSENBERG

Roberto Rovira will be participating in a panel with Miami Beach Mayor Philip Levine, <u>Creative Class Group</u> Founder Richard Florida, and FIU President Mark B. Rosenberg on Thursday 29JAN2015.

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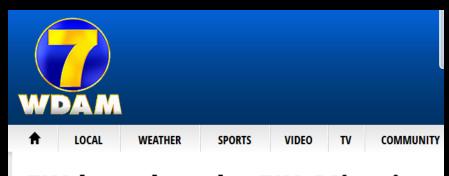
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FIU and Richard Florida launch initiative to boost art, design jobs

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Florida International University will work with bestselling author Richard Florida to research and start a discussion to help boost Miami jobs in art, design and other creative fields.

The FIU-Miami Creative City Initiative will release studies about how Miami can create more job opportunities for the "creative class," which includes artists, designers, engineers and journalists.

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South Florida Business Journal: FIU and Richard Florida launch initiative to boost art, design jobs



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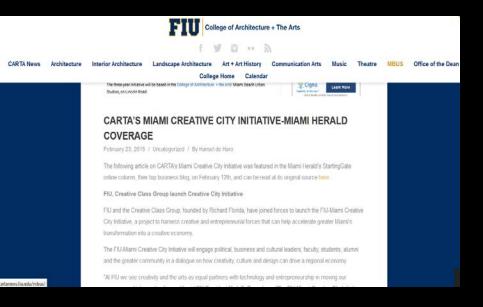
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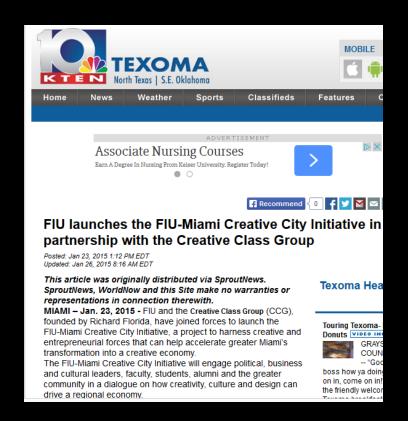
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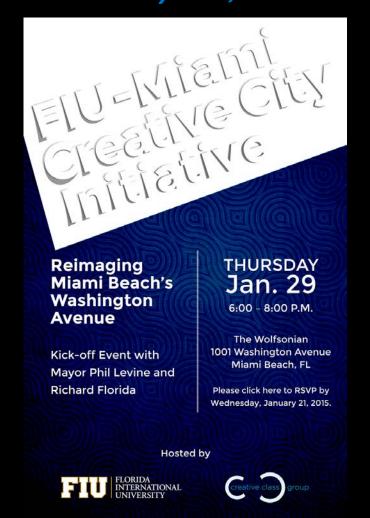


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FIU Miami Creative City Initiative
Start-Up City: Miami
Richard publicly announces the partnership
at the event with The Atlantic
and John S. and James L. Knight Foundation
March 30, 2015

Brian Schriner and John Stuart in attendance







# FIU Miami Creative City Initiative Miami's Future Creative Skills Talent Deck April 2015

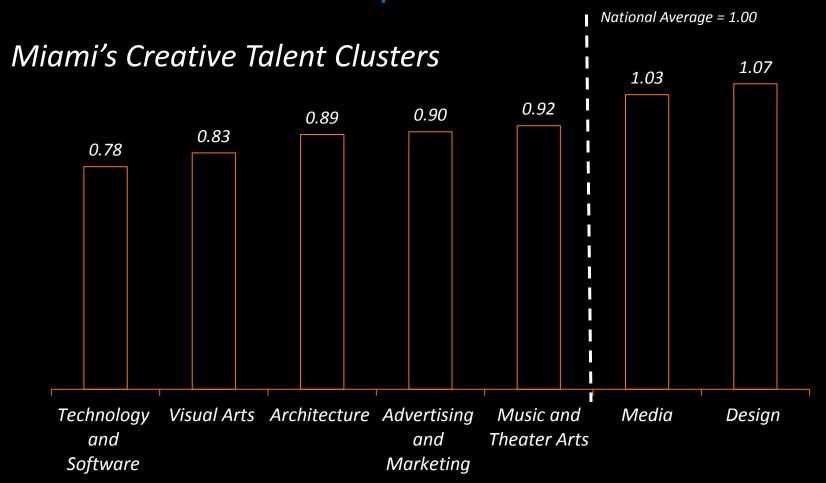
Prepared for: Brian Schriner, Dean College of Architecture + Arts Florida International University

Comprehensive assessment of Miami's talent base measuring the region's human capital capacity specifically examining Creative Economy Occupational Clusters and CARTA Focus Occupational Clusters to help identify areas and fields for CARTA expansion as well as establish the analytical backbone of the innovation report on Miami's Creative Economy.





# FIU Miami Creative City Initiative Miami's Future Creative Skills Talent Deck April 2015



Note: + Occupations include both payroll and self-employed individuals

Source: EMSI 2015 and CCG Analysis 2015





# FIU Miami Creative City Initiative Roundtable Event Creativity, Innovation and the Arts April 30, 2015







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Goal of event was to raise awareness of what FIU is doing around the ideas of design, innovation and the arts and to cultivate relationships with key stakeholders and potential donors.







# FIU Miami Creative City Initiative Roundtable Event

Creativity, Innovation and the Arts

April 30, 2015















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# FIU Miami Creative City Initiative eMerge Americas Event eGov - Government Innovation Summit









# FIU Miami Creative City Initiative Bolstering FIU's Innovative Ecosystem for the Creative Age Innovation Report August 2015

CCG conducted a series of 4 focus group roundtables on campus over the course of April and May. Participants included FIU faculty, staff, administrators, students and stakeholders.

From these discussions, CCG developed a whitepaper with a series of recommendations for bolstering FIU's Innovative Ecosystem:

(1) Rebrand the university as one invested in research and innovation; (2) Develop students for the Creative Age; (3) Build cross-sector partnerships that will catalyze innovation; (4) Update policies related to tenure and tech transfer to support innovation in the Creative Age; (5) Align resources to coordinate university's efforts around entrepreneurship and tech transfer; and (6) measure and communicate the university's impact on Miami's creative economy.







## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

As Florida International University (FIU), Miami's first and only public research university, celebrates its 50th anniversary this year, University leadership has redoubled its efforts to become a hub of innovation that will catalyze the growth of South Florida's creative economy. Over the past five decades, the University has established itself as a "solutions center" for the local community, with ideas as creative and diverse as FIU's student body.



Looking forward to the next 50 years, FIU led a collaborative process that included students, faculty, staff, alumni and community leaders in the development of a strategic plan. The resulting <u>BeyondPossible2020</u> plan is indicative of FIU's forward-thinking leadership and its commitment to leveraging the University's assets to grow the local economy. As part of FIU's continued community engagement within Miami, FIU and the <u>Creative Class Group</u> (CCG) have joined forces to launch the <u>FIU-Miami Creative City Initiative</u>, a project to harness creative and entrepreneurial forces that will accelerate the Miami metro's transformation into a creative economy.

The FIU-Miami Creative City Initiative began by convening a series of roundtable conversations with political, business and cultural leaders, University students, faculty and alumni to understand how creativity is taking shape on FIU's campus. These stakeholder meetings led to important insights about FIU's existing role within Miami's innovation economy, and how the University can become better-equipped to support the economic development of the region.









## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY(continued)

Importantly, all stakeholders acknowledged that FIU already has many incredible assets that, if leveraged, can strengthen its position as a creative hub. The diversity of the student body provides an opportunity for students with varied cultural and life experiences to intermingle and bring dynamic perspectives to research and projects. A wealth of programs and resources exist that are already bolstering the University's innovation ecosystem: FIU has sent four teams to the National Science Foundation I-Corps training, and several FIU technologies have been used by StartUp Quest teams throughout Florida. The University's many assets are tied together on its campus, centrally located in the 24/7 globally connected City of Wiami, where warm weather, world-class beaches, art, culture and transportation access provide an incredible sense of place to attract students, faculty and entrepreneurs alike.

Yet despite these assets, FIU must find its place within a broader Miami creative economy that is otherwise in its nascent stages. The University has the potential to drive technology and innovation in Miami, but only if policies and procedures around technology transfer and entrepreneurship are first clarified at the university level. To fully realize FIU's potential within Miami's entrepreneurial ecosystem, more must be done to incentivize faculty innovation and to encourage cross-departmental collaboration.

# To advance FIU's innovation ecosystem, CCG recommends six key measures:

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- 2 Develop students for the Creative Age,
- 3 Build cross-sector partnerships that will catalyze innovation,
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- 5 Align resources to coordinate the University's efforts around entrepreneurship and tech transfer and
- 6 Measure and communicate the University's impact on Miami's creative economy.

This white paper is the first in a series of activities led by the FIU-Miami Creative City Initiative to understand how FIU can enhance Greater Miami's creative capacity over the next 50 years.











The Creative City, during Miami Art Basel preview this year.

The event will be held on Thursday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> from 3-5pm at the College of Architecture + The Arts Miami Beach Urban Studios, on Lincoln Road at Washington Avenue, just a couple blocks from Art Basel at the Miami Beach Convention Center.

We have confirmed Grammy Award Winning musician Nelly Furtado, famous graffiti artist Kenny Scharf, internationally recognized designer Glenn Pushelberg and global curator Jerome Sans as speakers thus far and have reached out to other notables including President Bill Clinton, Lady Gaga, Pharrell, Lena Dunham, Moby and several others across industries in architecture, design, fashion, music and the culinary arts. The discussion will focus on the opportunities and challenges of the creative city and will be set in the context of new research by Richard Florida and John Stuart. The dialogue will focus on Art, Design and Architecture as "The Face of the City."



Conversation with John Sexton, January 2016

The event will examine the role of leadership in the university, in Miami and the broader role of universities in the context of the creative economy.





## **Greater Miami's Creative Economy Research Study**

CCG will conduct a study to understand Miami's creative assets and cultural impact on the region. In the study, we will examine in great detail Greater Miami's talent base, brain drain and talent-based advantages. Our quantitative analysis will be supported by interviews and roundtable discussions with regional business executives, nonprofit leaders and economic development professionals. This research report will serve as as the foundation for the spring 2015 Creative Economy Conference.



The Creative Economy, Spring 2016

The event will be held in the Spring of 2016 in which we will release our research study on the creative economy.







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