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Press Release

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2024 Miami Beach Hispanic Heritage Award Winners

— Recipients will be honored at the Sherry Frontenac Oceanfront Hotel —

Miami Beach, FL – The Miami Beach Hispanic Affairs Committee has announced the winners of the 2024 Hispanic Heritage Awards, which honor individuals and businesses from the Hispanic community who live or work in Miami Beach and have made a positive contribution to the community.

“We are excited to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month once again in the City of Miami Beach,” said Carmen Datorre, Chairperson of the Hispanic Affairs Committee. “This occasion allows us to honor the exceptional Hispanic individuals and businesses in our community who enhance our safety, education, culture and health. We are proud to recognize the achievements of all award recipients and to celebrate their contributions.”

The 2024 Hispanic Heritage Award winners will be honored on **Thursday, Sept. 26** during a **6 p.m. ceremony** at the **Sherry Frontenac Oceanfront Hotel** (6565 Collins Ave.).

Adult Contributing to Success of Youth

- Melisa Andrea Yanes, Miami Beach Parks & Recreation

Artist - Singer

- Maylu Hernandez

Artist - Sculptor and Performance Artist

- Daniela Viotti

Business

- Ole Ole Steakhouse & Tapelia Spanish Restaurant

Business Owner

- Eduardo Araoz

Educator

- Karlowa Lopez Rodriguez

Hispanic Community Member

- Maria Monserrat Riani-Smith

Public Safety Personnel

- Lieutenant Giancarlo Garcia, Miami Beach Fire Department
- Lieutenant Claudio Navas, Miami Beach Fire Department

Public Servant

- Rafael E. Granado

Social Service Provider Supporting Seniors

- Sixto Antonio Acea

Social Service Provider Supporting Homeless

- Roberto Morales

Trailblazer Award Hispanic Community

- Father Roberto Cid

Honorary Mention - Architectural Contribution to the City of Miami Beach

- Touzet Studio

The Hispanic Affairs Committee is an advisory body to the Miami Beach City Commission and the administration on matters pertaining to the Hispanic community in the City of Miami Beach.

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