



Florida Headlines

Scenic domain names available.

Scenic Symposium scheduled for Jacksonville on April 10th.



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Scenic Watch is a free bi-monthly publication of Citizens for a Scenic Florida, Inc., dedicated to the preservation, protection and enhancement of Florida's scenic heritage. Individuals, organizations and government agencies are welcome as members. [Join Scenic Florida now](#) to protect our scenic qualities.

The format for Scenic watch has changed for this issue. There are two items that Citizens for Scenic Florida, Inc. (CSF) want to inform you of.

First, CSF has reserved over 70 'scenic' domain names that can be used for local scenic organizations, for example, www.scenicorlando.org. If you would like to start a local organization that focuses on scenic issues in your area, please contact us by email or call (904) 396-0037 and we will be glad to provide more information.

Second, CSF is sponsoring a major Scenic Symposium on April 10th in Jacksonville. Below is the agenda and more details about reserving a seat at this free event. If you are interested in the many issues that confront efforts to preserve and enhance Florida's scenic heritage, this is a rare opportunity for community leaders, municipal, county and state employees to participate with the experts. Please forward this to anyone you think will be interested.

SCENIC SYMPOSIUM

Hosted by Citizens for a Scenic Florida, Inc.

Thursday, April 10, 2008 Jacksonville, Florida

(Free admission: Register to attend by calling Rachel Coccio at 904-346-5503)

The Good, The Bad and The Ugly in the Americas:

Tales from Toronto, Canada, and an Update on Sao Paulo, Brazil.

Time: 8:30 - 9:20 AM Location: Main Library auditorium - Hemming Plaza, 303 N. Laura St.

Speaker: Rami Tabet (Toronto, CN)

Code Enforcement Issues - Violating The Law, Getting Away With It, and How To Stop It:

A View from a Former Industry Insider . What elected officials, code enforcement officers, neighborhood leaders, and local government lawyers need to know.

Time: 9:20 - 10:10 AM Location: Main Library auditorium - Hemming Plaza, 303 N. Laura St.

Speaker: David Gilley, MPA (Managing Partner, Tower Advisory Services, LLC, Atlanta, GA)

Corporate Franchise Design in America:

The Best and the Worst in Northeast Florida

Time: 10:20 - 11:00 AM Location: Main Library auditorium - Hemming Plaza, 303 N. Laura St.

Speaker: Ronald Lee Fleming (Townscape Institute, Cambridge, MA)

Settlement Agreement Do's and Don'ts:

Tips to Avoiding a Disastrous Settlement Agreement in Sign Code Litigation.

Time: 11:00 - 11:30 AM Location: Main Library auditorium - Hemming Plaza, 303 N. Laura St.

Speaker: Shauna Morris, Esquire (Dunedin, FL)

LUNCH BREAK (11:30 AM - 1:00 PM)

LEDs: Show Me The Money (Scenic Blight on Steroids)

The New Litigation Threat to Communities across the Country

Time: 1:00 - 1:50 PM Location: Museum of Contemporary Art auditorium, 333 N. Laura St.

Speakers: Kevin Fry, President, Scenic America (Washington, D.C.) and Dana Maine, Esquire (Partner, Freeman, Mathis & Gary, LLP, Atlanta, GA)

Winning Against the Sign Code Shakedown:

Use of Photo Simulations and Visual Aids in Litigation.

Time: 1:50 - 2:40 PM Location: Museum of Contemporary Art auditorium, 333 N. Laura St.

Speakers: Englehardt Hammer & Associates (Tampa, FL) and Bentley Owens, Esquire (Partner, Starnes, Acheson, et. al., Birmingham, AL)

Do Billboard Structures and Cell Towers Avoid Their Tax Obligations to Local Governments:

A Discussion of Solutions to Solve the Loss of Tens of Millions of Dollars to Local Governments and School Boards

Time: 2:50 - 3:40 PM Location: Museum of Contemporary Art auditorium, 333 N. Laura St.

Speakers: Hon. Tommy Hazouri (Member, Duval County School Board and former Jacksonville Mayor, Jacksonville, FL), William D. Brinton, Esquire (Jacksonville, Florida), and Carlos Mucha, Esquire (Project Manager, Tower Advisory Services, LLC, Atlanta, GA)

“Stopping the Destruction of Public Trees along the Right-of-Way” or “Public Policy Gone Bad/Necessary Legislative Reform”

(Issues to be Considered for an Open Writing Competition)

Time: 3:40 - 4:30 PM Location: Museum of Contemporary Art auditorium, 333 N. Laura St.

Speakers: Alex Graham (Jacksonville, FL) and law students from Florida Coastal School of Law (Jacksonville, FL)

Success Stories from Texas:

Keeping Advertising off Bus Shelters and Street Furniture - Advancing Visual Quality in a State without Zoning

Time: 4:30 - 5:00 PM Location: Museum of Contemporary Art auditorium, 333 N. Laura St.

Speaker: Margaret Lloyd, Esquire (Houston, TX)

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