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**FORT LAUDERDALE**  
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PRESS RELEASE

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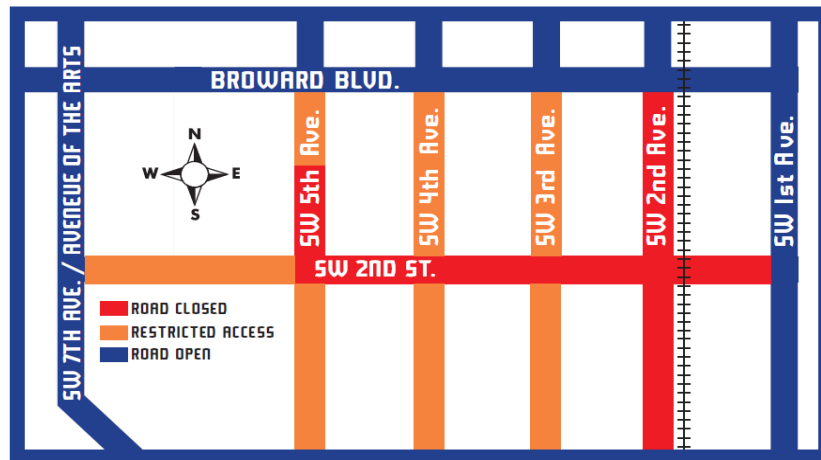
December 30, 2014

**CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE**  
**DOWNTOWN COUNTDOWN**  
**2014**

The Downtown Countdown 2014 celebration will feature a variety of activities for the entire family beginning at 4:30 P.M. and ending at approximately 8:30 P.M. Those festivities will include bounce houses, face painting, games and contests, dancing with the DJ, and an early ball lighting countdown at 7:00 p.m. For the adult crowd there will be live music from 9:00 P.M. until 2:00 A.M.

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department will head the public safety and security operations for this event.

Parents are reminded to have discussions with their children, directing them to locate a uniformed police officer or fire rescue staff member should they become separated from their family.

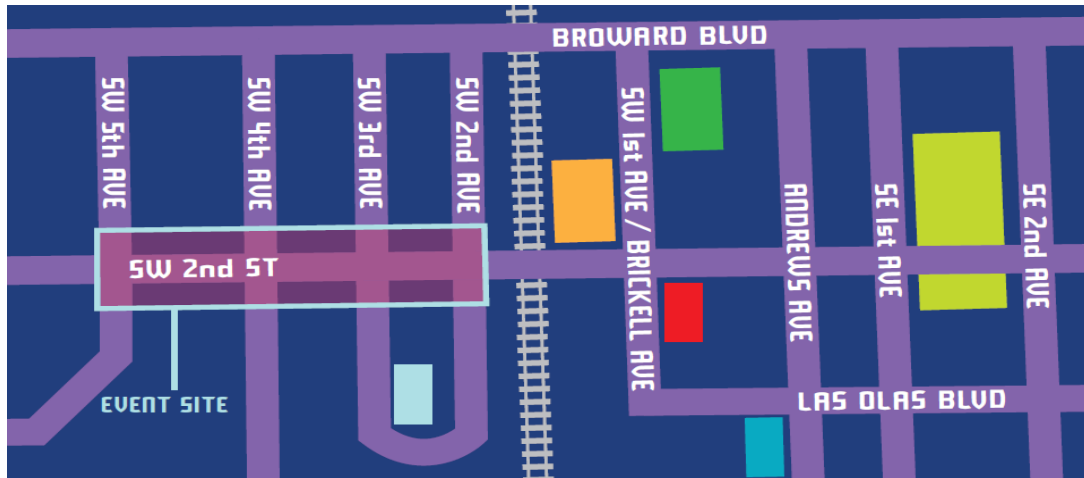


**Road Closures:** (<http://www.fortlauderdale.gov/home/showdocument?id=6907>)

- **Wednesday, December 31<sup>st</sup> 7:00 A.M. to Thursday, January 1<sup>st</sup> 8:00 A.M.**
  - Southwest 2<sup>nd</sup> Street will be closed from Southwest 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue to Southwest 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue.
  - Eastbound traffic on Southwest 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, between Southwest 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Southwest 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue, will be restricted to Broward Center for the Performing Arts employees and VIP / Valet customers. Employees and show attendees should utilize Southwest 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue, rather than Southwest 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue for access to the center.

- Southwest 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue will be closed from Broward Boulevard south to the New River.
- Southwest 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Southwest 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue will be restricted to limited access from Broward Boulevard south to the New River. Access to these Avenues will be restricted to residents who live in the area and employees of nearby businesses.
- Southwest 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue will be closed from Broward Boulevard south to the New River.

In an effort to manage the expected attendance for this event, Fort Lauderdale Police Department personnel will be stationed at all nearby intersections and crosswalks to assist with pedestrian and vehicular traffic, as well as throughout the event site.



**Parking:** (<http://www.fortlauderdale.gov/home/showdocument?id=6905>)

- **City Parking Garage (CPG)**
  - 150 Southeast 2<sup>nd</sup> Street
- **County Lot II**
  - 100 Southwest 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue
- **Broward Governmental Garage**
  - 151 Southwest 2<sup>nd</sup> Street
- **200 Las Olas Circle Garage**
  - 200 Southwest 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue
- **Riverfront Garage**
  - 305 South Andrews Avenue
- **Riverhouse Lot**
  - 220 Southwest 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department reminds motorists to only park in designated parking areas, as any parking violations will be strictly enforced.

**Taxi Stands:** (<http://www.fortlauderdale.gov/home/showdocument?id=6907>)

The City of Fort Lauderdale reminds taxi-cab companies to only use the designated locations for pick-ups and drop-offs. The taxi stand pick-up and drop-off lane will be the right eastbound lane of Broward Boulevard between Southwest 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Southwest 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue. Only Broward County permitted taxi-cab companies can use this designated area. No independent car services are permitted to use this area for drop-offs or pick-ups.

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