## SW FLORIDA FISHIN

# Back country wade fishing

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ecently, while wade fishing with the saltwater 5-weight fly rods we managed to get deep into the backcountry. The waters were clear, the flies were small and the fish were hungry. See-

ing snook on the mud and tarpon rolling in the mangroves has to be one of the coolest things about winter wade fishing. What was unexpected was hooking a few large mangrove snapper. These little dudes are some seriously strong animals!













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### **Program Highlights**

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#### The Year that Broke **Politics: Luke Nitcher**

**AMERICAN PRESIDENTS** 

Wednesday, December 10

4:30PM

Luke Nichter is a captivating historian and authority on modern American political history. He holds the James H. Cavanaugh Endowed Chair in Presidential Studies at Chapman University and specializes in the "long 1960s," from Kennedy through Watergate. His acclaimed book, The Year That Broke Politics: Collusion and Chaos in the Presidential Election of 1968, offers a gripping account of a pivotal election, drawing on newly declassified materials to reveal fresh insights into Lyndon Johnson's influence, Nixon's "Southern Strategy," and Wallace's national appeal.



#### **Boca Grande Film Festival Launch Party**

**FILM FESTIVAL** 

Tuesday, January 6

4:40PM-6:00PM

Be among the first to experience an exclusive Sneak Peek of the upcoming Boca Grande Film Festival! Join us for an early glimpse into this season's captivating film lineup - preview compelling storylines, discover the voices behind the vision, and get excited for what's ahead. Whether you're a film lover or a community supporter, this is your chance to get a taste of the magic before the curtain officially rises. Sponsorship opportunities will be available at the event, but with limited availability, we strongly recommend calling ahead to reserve your spot and ensure you're part of this unforgettable season. This event is free and open to the public.



#### D.K. Harrell

**BOCA GRANDE LIVE** 

Friday, January 16

5:00PM

Louisiana-born bluesman D.K. Harrell radiates unbridled joy with every exuberant lyric and searing guitar lick. His new album, Talkin' Heavy, is a vibrant fusion of Delta grit and Chicago soul, driven by Harrell's unmistakable voice and deeply expressive fretwork. Hailed by Guitar World for solos that are "lyrical, slow-burning, and well-crafted," Harrell brings timeless blues into the modern era with fresh fire and emotional depth. Harrell embodies the spirit of contemporary blues with the soul of its golden age. As the San Diego Union-Tribune declares, "D.K. Harrell is a fast-rising blues dynamo—one of the most talented and exciting young artists to emerge in decades."



**Peter & Will Anderson** Trio

**ALL THAT JAZZ** 

Monday, April 6

5:00PM & 7:30PM

Prepare to be mesmerized by Peter and Will Anderson, identical twin virtuosos and Juilliard-trained masters of jazz woodwinds. These dynamic performers have shared the stage with jazz legends like Wynton Marsalis and the Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra, and their music has enchanted audiences worldwidefrom Carnegie Hall to the New Orleans Jazz & Heritage Festival.

More than performers, they are passionate educators dedicated to nurturing the next generation of musicians, making their concerts not just a show but a celebration of jazz's living



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