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COVID-19 halts flooding risk workshop



Rain and the end of the king tides causes the Intracoastal Waterway to spill into Sunset Avenue Monday, MEGHAN MCCARTHY/PALM BEACH DAILY NEWS

Group delays two events this month due to the virus surge

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Risk takes many forms these days.

The Preservation Foundation of Palm Beach has just postponed its Flood Risk Workshop scheduled for Saturday in response to the worsening coronavirus pandemic.

The plan is to reschedule the open-to-the-public event sometime this spring, although a new date hasn't yet been set, said Amanda Skier, foundation executive director.

The event had been scheduled to take place in the parking lot at the foundation's building on Peruvian

The nonprofit also postponed until spring a program featuring interior designer Carolyn Rafferty, which had been planned for Dec. 10 and was open only to foundation members. Rafferty was to have headlined the fourth-annual lecture in the Polly Jessup Design Series.

The postponements were "due to the increased positivity rate of COVID-19 in the town of Palm Beach," according to a statement released Thursday by the foundation.

As of Monday, the rate of new COVID-19 cases in town was rising at a faster pace than the rates for Palm Beach County, the state and the country as a whole,

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Norton names new director

D'Humieres brings wealth of experience in the industry

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Nearly two weeks after its doors were reopened to the public, a new CEO has been selected to lead the Norton Museum of Art.



d'Humiere

Museum officials announced Thursday that Ghislain d'Humieres will be the new CEO starting in January. He will assume the role on Jan. 18, replacing Elliot Bostwick Davis, who resigned in June after a little more than 15 months on the Job.

D'Humieres, a native of France, has held leadership positions in various

art institutions, including serving as director and CEO of the Speed Art Museum in Louisville, and chief curator at the Fred Jones Jr. Museum of Art at the University of Oklahoma.

In 2016, he oversaw the Speed Art Museum's expansion and renovation. At the University of Oklahoma, he led the effort to develop a new 20,000-square-foot wing at the Fred Jones Jr. Museum.

"Ghislain brings tremendous experience to the

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SONGS TO SAVOR



From left, American Sirens singers Rachel Copeland, Lindsay Cardina and Alejandra Martinez perform Wednesday in the courtyard at the Royal Poinciana Plaza during the Early Childhood Education & Family Center Holiday Sip, Savor, Stroll luncheon.

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