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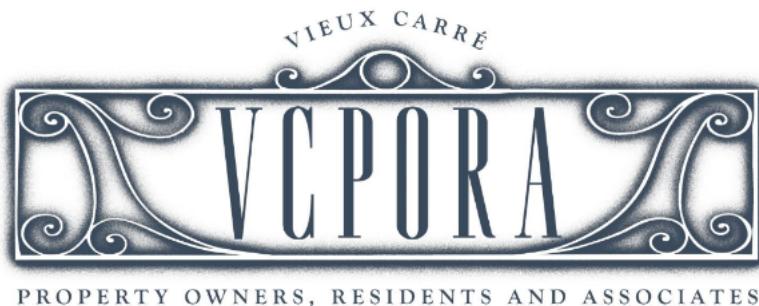
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## At Home in the Vieux Carré Returns!

Tonight!

[727 Ursulines](#)

5:30 - 7:00 p.m.

Join us for the first installment of our 2021 *At Home in the Vieux Carré* series sponsored by [The Doussan Team](#)! Join us at the 1825 townhouse of Marie-Françoise Crouch for specialty cocktails and wine. Admission is \$5 for members, \$10 for non-members, and free to those who join or renew their memberships at the event. Check [our website](#) or [follow our Facebook](#) for updates.

No RSVPs required. This is a first come, first serve event. Please note that in keeping with the City of New Orleans [Phase 3 reopening restrictions](#), this event will be limited capacity and masks will be required when not actively drinking.



## Tujage's Sign at Risk

This week, [NOLA.com](#) ran an article on the attempted alteration of the historic Tujage's restaurant sign at 823 Decatur by property owner Mike Motwani. The proposed change comes after Tujage's [vacated the space](#) last year. VCPORA Executive Director Erin Holmes weighed in on the proposal, calling it a "wholly inappropriate reinterpretation of a historic landmark."

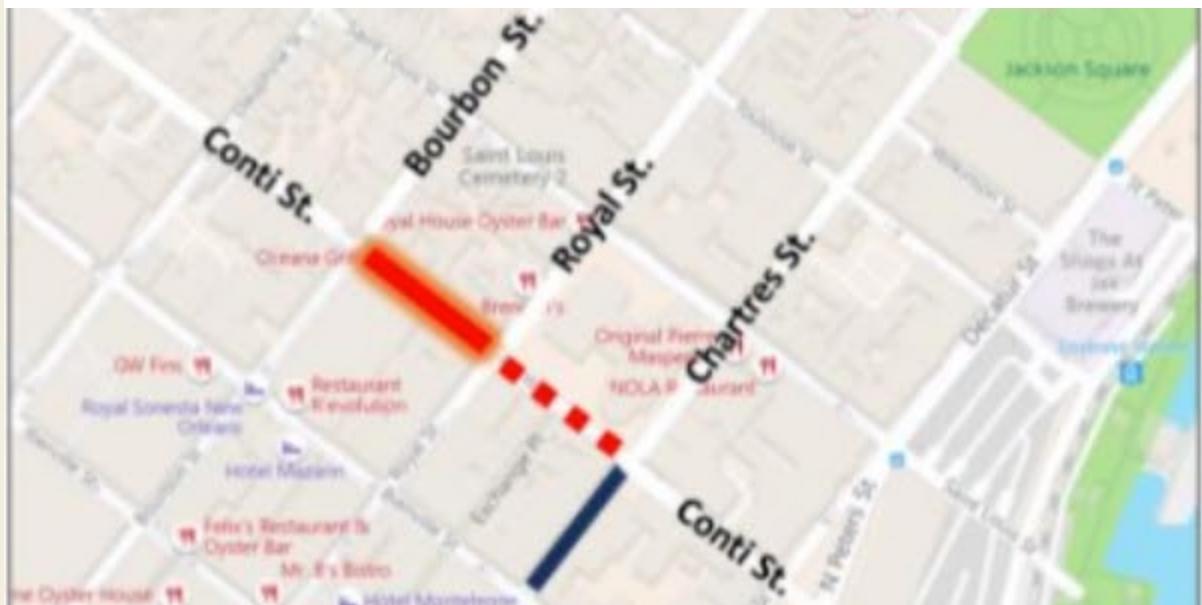
The Vieux Carré Commission thankfully agrees, noting that the famous neon sign cannot be altered because it is a non-conforming grandfathered element. The VCC has also approved the new Tujage's location to produce a replica. We will provide updates on the future of the original sign as details become available.



## French Market Overlay Passed

City Council passed [two measures](#) establishing the French Market Overlay District, which will allow for expanded hours of operation in the Public Market and permit pedestrian-scaled signage to guide visitors through the area. The French Market is now permitted to operate a produce and seafood market beginning at 4:00 a.m. and an evening market until 10:00 p.m. Sundays - Thursdays, or until 11:00 p.m. Fridays - Saturdays.

Any indoor or outdoor live entertainment is prohibited beyond 8:00 p.m. The new overlay also permits individual tenants to apply for vendor signage within the Market, pending approval by the Vieux Carré Commission. Read more about the regulations [here](#) and [here](#).



## Royal & Conti Closure Extended

The temporary closure at Conti and Royal streets will be extended until mid-June as crews continue upgrading the utilities underneath the intersection. Crews are working up to seven days each week from 8 a.m. until sunset. Once construction is completed, the fence will be removed, and work will begin on the adjacent sidewalks.

This work is part of the [Conti Full-Depth Reconstruction Project](#), which also closes the 700 block, 600 block, and 300 block of Conti to vehicular traffic daily. The entire project is anticipated to run through winter 2021, approximately four months per block. Questions about this project or RoadworkNOLA's Capital Improvement Program should be directed to (504) 658-7623 or [roadwork@nola.gov](mailto:roadwork@nola.gov).



## VCPORA Seeks New Executive Assistant

VCPORA is looking for a new Executive Assistant to help protect and preserve the Vieux Carré. The full job description can be found on [our website here](#). The deadline to apply is Friday, June 11. To apply, please send resume and any other materials electronically to: Ms. Erin Holmes, Executive Director, VCPORA at [info@vcpora.org](mailto:info@vcpora.org).



## Courtyard Calligraphy

Saturday, May 29  
1113 Chartres  
10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Join Patti Adams for the first of three [Courtyard Calligraphy](#) classes in the Beauregard-Keyes courtyard. The class will cover correct body posture, position, and placement of the pen, as well as the use of the proper tools. All levels of students are welcome to join this class, including those just beginning their study of calligraphy.

Class sizes will be kept small with social distancing in place. All participants must wear a face mask. The registration fee does not include materials. Students will receive a supply list after registering with items necessary for the course. These supplies will last for all class sessions.



# THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT OF NEW ORLEANS

A monthly lecture and demonstration series from April to September, 2021

Register at [bkhouse.org](http://bkhouse.org)

May 29 - 4:30pm



Jeff Porée,  
Master Plasterer

## The Built Environment of New Orleans

Saturday, May 29  
1113 Chartres  
4:30 - 7:00 p.m.

Join us for the second installment in the [The Built Environment of New Orleans](#) lecture series with Master Plasterer Jeff Porée, who will showcase how to plaster, as well as lecture on the craft.

Space for this event is limited and attendees must [register in advance on Eventbrite](#). Guests will be asked to remain socially distanced and are required to wear a mask. The lecture will also be live-streamed to the Beauregard-Keyes House [Facebook page](#).

This event marks the second in a lecture series collaboration by [the Beauregard-Keyes House](#) and VCPORA celebrating the craftsmanship and artistry of the master builders responsible for the architecture of New Orleans. Be on the lookout for additional installments highlighting trades such as ironwork, masonry, and carpentry.



## Patio Planters Secret Garden Tour

Saturday, May 29  
French Quarter  
11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

The Patio Planters of the Vieux Carré Secret Garden Tour will open eight gardens and courtyards for viewing on a self-guided walking tour next weekend. [Buy a ticket online](#) to see how designers and residents take advantage of small spaces,

adorned with greenery and flora to provide cool hideaways suited to the New Orleans climate in styles of early Spanish and French architecture.

Locations of featured gardens and courtyards will be specified on a map given to participants when tickets are picked up. The event is rain or shine. See the [Patio Planters of the Vieux Carré website](#) for more information.



## #FQThenAndNow

VCPORA and the [VCC Foundation](#) continue our #FQThenAndNow series this week with a post on 727 Ursulines. Head over to our [Facebook](#) or [Instagram](#) to check it out. This weekly series showcases historic pictures, current pictures, and fun facts about our favorite French Quarter locales. Follow #FQThenAndNow and the [VCC Foundation](#) so you don't miss any upcoming posts from this series.

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