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VCPORA Welcomes Dare Rose-Havens

This month, VCPORA welcomed a new Executive Assistant!

Dare Rose-Havens was raised across the United States but has called the French Quarter 'home' since 2016. While studying at Tulane University, where she received her bachelor's and master's degree, Dare's passion for New Orleans' literature, history, and culture translated into extensive archival research and education. In 2019, she worked with local and state archives to produce an educational digital exhibit that explores the establishment of the French colony and their activity in the Vieux Carré during the early 1700s.

She further channeled her love for education and advocacy while working with animal rescues across the Gulf, NOLA high schools, Operation Restoration, and the Louisiana Correctional Institute for Women. She can be seen walking her two dogs down Esplanade, grabbing a bite to eat from Verti Marte, or riding her bike through the Vieux Carré. Feel free to say hello if you see her on the streets!

NO CITY HALL IN TREME!



YOUR INPUT IS REQUESTED

Municipal Auditorium Survey

Last week, Mayor Cantrell and her key staff met with members of the SOS Coalition regarding the proposed relocation of City Hall to the Municipal Auditorium. Although Mayor Cantrell told those gathered that she was “good” with the Municipal Auditorium not being converted to a new City Hall, she placed the burden on the citizens of SOS and New Orleans to determine how to fund, operate, and maintain the Auditorium.

SOS is moving forward with a community engagement process and has created a survey for New Orleanians and lovers of Armstrong Park to complete. [Click here to take the survey](#), which will be available from through Friday, August 6. Additionally, the [Claiborne Avenue Alliance](#) is [gathering feedback](#) on both the Municipal Auditorium and the Claiborne Corridor.



Blue Bikes to Return in September

Mayor Cantrell announced the return of 500 pedal-assist Blue Bikes to New Orleans beginning September 1, 2021. The City partnered with Blue Krewe, a local, community-based nonprofit organization, and title sponsor Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Louisiana for the relaunch after an out-of-state corporate transfer of ownership halted the operation in 2020.

Blue Bikes will be initially be available parts of the Lower Garden District, Central City, the Central Business District, the French Quarter, the Marigny, the Bywater, the 7th Ward, Tremé, Mid-City and the lower section of City Park. According to Blue Krewe, the new fleet will utilize the existing infrastructure and there are currently no plans to install additional Blue Bike racks within the interior of the French Quarter. For more information, please sees to [Blue Bikes NOLA](#) or [Blue Krewe](#).



The Built Environment of New Orleans

Saturday, July 31

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11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

The third installment in [The Built Environment of New Orleans](#) lecture series is this Saturday. Join us as third-generation metal worker Darryl Reeves will showcase how to blacksmith as well as lecture on the craft. Space for this event is limited and attendees must [register in advance on Eventbrite](#). The lecture will also be live-streamed to the Beauregard-Keyes House [Facebook page](#).

This event marks the third 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 masonry and carpentry.



Coffee with Kristin

Monday, August 9

1030 Elysian Fields

8:30 - 9:30 a.m.

District "C" Councilmember Kristin Gisleson Palmer will host another "Coffee with Kristin" meet and greet at [Baldwin & Co. Bookstore](#) later in August, where she will deliver a brief update on legislative items and other happenings in the district. All residents of District "C" are encouraged to tune in and discuss issues in the community.



#FQThenAndNow

VCPORA and the [VCC Foundation](#) continue our #FQThenAndNow series this week with a post on 841 Royal. 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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