



## Upcoming Events

February 4th-  
May 16th, 2010

**The Gentrification  
of Brooklyn:  
The Pink  
Elephant Speaks**

MoCADA  
Brooklyn, NY

This exhibition will examine how urban planning, eminent domain, and real estate development are affecting Brooklyn's communities. The exhibition will include the works of several Brooklyn-based artists.

Visit  
[www.mocado.org](http://www.mocado.org)  
for more details

March 24th, 2010  
9:00 am – 3:30 pm

**MPI Tampa Bay:  
Meetings Academy  
and Meetings  
Marketplace**

The Lakeland Center  
Lakeland, FL

Invigorate, Rejuvenate,  
and Educate  
to Accelerate

A half day of educational programs combined with lunch and a tradeshow featuring Florida's leading suppliers. Keynote Speaker, Pat Williams, Sr. VP of the NBA's Orlando Magic will get the day off to a great start, followed by sessions on budgeting, key trends in A/V and social media. Free to meeting planners.

For more information:  
[www.tampabaympi.org](http://www.tampabaympi.org)



## March Meeting Planning Tip

Looking for a meeting or event venue other than a hotel, try

[www.uniquevenues.com](http://www.uniquevenues.com)

They list a broad range of venues including theaters, state parks, mansions and zoos.



## Jazz Corner

March 27-  
April 30, 2010  
11th Annual  
Central Brooklyn  
Jazz Festival

**Features Saxophonist,  
Pharaoh Sanders**

The Central Brooklyn Jazz Consortium will kick-off its 2010 Festival with a gala concert that will feature Pharaoh Sanders, a Grammy award winning tenor saxophonist at Boys and Girls High School auditorium, 1700 Fulton Street, Brooklyn, NY. Tickets are \$35 in advance, available at

[www.brownpapertickets.com](http://www.brownpapertickets.com)  
or by calling  
718.773.2252.

Throughout April, Jazz Appreciation month, a lineup of international, local musicians; jazz forums; youth performances and a Brooklyn Jazz Hall of Fame & Museums (TM) induction ceremony is scheduled.

For a calendar of events and information visit

[www.cbjczazz.org](http://www.cbjczazz.org)  
or call  
718.773.2252.

Note: Pizzazz MEPG has been a planning partner for this event since its beginning in 2000.



## Dress Someone Else For Success

Thank you to everyone who attended and/or donated to the Dress For Success Tampa event at SAKS FIFTH AVENUE.

Because of your patronage, we received many great articles of clothing and were able to provide a monetary donation of \$500, enabling Dress For Success Tampa Bay to provide much-needed professional attire to women who are re-entering the workforce in our community.

Pizzazz MEPG is especially thankful to Linda Elland with A2Z Meetings & Events, who collaborated on this event.



We enjoyed an exclusive intimate fashion showcase courtesy of Jessica Muroff of SAKS Fifth Avenue- Westshore Plaza and fabulous hors d'oeuvres and libations. Penny and Tacy of MamaRazzi foto captured fun photos and the event drew to a close with swag give-aways contributed by Baystar Hotel Group, SAKS, Pizzazz MEPG and A2Z Meetings & Events for our guests. It was an incredible evening spent networking with dynamic professional women.



Dress for Success promotes the economic independence for women in our local community who are re-entering the workforce by providing professional attire, a network of support and the career development tools to help women thrive in work and in life.



## Pasco Coalition Has 10-Year Plan To End Homelessness

Carl Orth  
The Suncoast News

February 26, 2010-- Prolonged cold spells this winter have highlighted the plight of Pasco County's homeless people, many of whom live in tents while coping with freezing temperatures and wind-chill factors. But help is on the way, officials of the Coalition for the Homeless of Pasco pledged to more than 100 area leaders, including State Sen. Mike Fasano and other political leaders, at the Coalition's inaugural breakfast fundraiser.

A 10-year plan to end chronic homelessness will be unveiled on Tuesday, March 30, 2010. Serving as executive director of the Coalition, Eugene Williams, of the Pasco County Community Development Department, has been a chief architect in developing the plan. The sold out event was produced by Pizzazz Meeting & Event Planning Group, Inc.



## Stress Busting Travel Tips

Executives frequently face grueling travel routines and rigorous schedules. Eventually the stress of high-pressure business meetings and the fatigue of jet lag can take a significant toll on the body. Rather than succumbing to the strain, business travelers can fight back with these stress-busting tips:

- **Prepare back-up ID:** Place copies of driver's license and credit cards in a discreet place within carry-on luggage. These documents can ease the burden of a stolen wallet or purse.
- **Pack old-fashioned entertainment:** Keep a supply of inexpensive paperbacks to provide a welcome distraction during crowded flights, long layovers, or jet lag-induced insomnia.
- **Skip the baggage claim:** Streamline the load so that everything fits in a carry-on. Wear the meeting suit on the plane and bring along extra shirts to refresh the look.
- **Stay plugged in:** Double check that the hotel offers internet access in every room.
- **Maintain a regular workout routine:** Thirty minutes on the tread mill or some laps in the pool counteracts rich meals and long meetings.
- **Eat light once a day:** Stick with a bowl of cereal for breakfast, stow a piece of fruit for a mid-afternoon snack and grab a salad for either lunch or dinner.
- **Explore the city:** Squeeze in a bit of sightseeing with a ten-minute drive through downtown to invigorate the senses and provide a change of pace.

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