



IMPACT100 SRQ announced its 2022 Giving Year grant impact for Sarasota and Manatee Counties at their annual Big Reveal event. The goal to #FundAllFive was surpassed on March 8 when the local women's organization announced it will fund six transformational grants to nonprofits in each of five focus area categories: Arts & Culture, Education, Environment & Recreation, Family and Health & Wellness. The Big Reveal took place at the Nathan Benderson Finishing Tower and brought members, supporters, and the community together in anticipation to learn how many women have come together to invest in our community, and how many grants will be funded for the 2022 giving year. The next phase of the Giving Year starts March 9, with the opening of the online grant application process for nonprofit organizations. After completing a required

eligibility form, nonprofits are invited to submit an application for a \$110,500 grant at www.impact100SRQ.org. Visit the link to apply or to learn more about past grant recipients. In just four years, since this local chapter's inception, the women of Impact100 SRQ will fund 15 grants and will donate \$1,637,000 to local nonprofits. Its collective giving model is simple – at least 100 women come together, each invests \$1,000, and grants are funded in increments of no less than \$100,000. As its membership grows, more grants can be funded and the impact of Impact100 SRQ will be magnified throughout our community.



[Awards Given] Sheriff Hoffman Holds Awards Ceremony

Sarasota County Sheriff Kurt A. Hoffman presented several awards during a ceremony Tuesday to recognize employees who demonstrated exemplary service to their community. Corrections Deputy Asen Dimitrov earned the Life Saving Award for rendering aid to an inmate during a suicide attempt. Deputy Christopher Hudson and Communications Operator I Jenifer Christensen earned the Life Saving Award for their efforts to save a 71-year-old Sarasota County citizen experiencing a heart attack. Members of the Honor Guard received the Unit Citation Award for their actions over the past year including the full honors memorial service for fallen Deputy Joshua Welge, the first line of duty death in the agency's 100-year history. The Animal Services Section received a Unit Citation for their tireless efforts throughout 2021 to support the sheriff's office and animals of Sarasota County.



[SOON] PERFORMANCE: [The Ringling: Yissy Garcia](#), March 10 – March 11, 11am and 7:30pm

Yissy Garcia—a composer and drummer- is one of the most powerful artists of this new generation of Cuban musicians. Born into a musical family headed by renowned Cuban percussionist Bernardo Garcia, Yissy has ushered in a new era of "high-speed Cuban jazz," which fuses street conga and rumba, plenty of drums, bass and funk - - all rhythms the artist says are "carried in our blood." Considered one

of Cuba's most dynamic and innovative musicians who defies genre and tradition with every funky groove, she demonstrates the art of combining traps and percussion, drawing from the wealth of Cuban folkloric and popular styles alongside serious jazz and funk. Yissy has quickly become an iconic figure of female percussion in Cuba and beyond, having performed with the likes of Dave Matthews, Esperanza Spalding, Omara Portuondo and Bobby Carcasses, and has been likened to "the Cuban version of Terri Lyne Carrington" by Tom Tom Magazine. Since 2012, she leads Bandancha, an off-the-charts quintet that follows the routes of Latin jazz, funk, and afro Cuban music. Its first record, *Última Noticia* (2015), joined the island's musical scene as a paradigm of the most contemporary sound. She is part of the line up of Maqueque, together with the Canadian sax player Jane Bunnett, whose first record, *Jane Bunnett and Maqueque*, won the Juno Award to the best Jazz Album and the second record, *Oddara*, was recently nominated for the Best Latin Jazz Grammy award. This performance will show on March 10 at 11am and March 11 at 7:30pm.

Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at Ringling College (OLLI at Ringling College) presents "Celebrating Florida's Wild Wonders," a one-day event inspired by the book, *The Wilder Heart of Florida*, and featuring eight celebrated writers, poets, educators, environmentalists, architects, and artists. The event is Friday, March 11, 2022, 9am to 5pm at the Ringling College Museum Campus, 1000 S. Tamiami Trail, Sarasota. General admission is \$125; registration opens on December 7. The registration fee includes lunch and a complimentary reception.

[SOON] SEMINAR: The Ringling: Artist Talk with Jamison Ross and Yissy Garcia , March 12, 10:30am

Join The Ringling for an artist talk with musicians Jamison Ross and Yissy Garcia on March 12 at 10:30am. One of the hottest young names in music, singer and drummer, Jamison Ross' music shimmers between jazz, R&B, soul, gospel and blues. Yissy Garcia—a composer and drummer- is one of the most powerful artists of this new generation of Cuban musicians. Less formal than a lecture presentation, Artist Talks are designed to be programs where artists