

INTRODUCTION

From million-dollar beachfront condominiums to leased-up rental communities deep in the suburbs to commercial complexes and mixed-use properties in once-overlooked and now white-hot neighborhoods, South Florida's real estate marketplace continues to thrive.

Developers, investors, property owners and tenants are all in the mix. Office towers and logistics spaces are trading at record rates or garnering deep investment. So, too, are properties in remade niches such as Fort Lauderdale's Flagler Village or the venerable Miami Design District.

What's more, investors are taking greater roles in developing property to serve the wider community. This year's honorees include properties developed to meet the needs of the working class – something the region has long needed.

From projects themselves to the people who brought them to market, each honoree highlights the continued success of our region's real estate marketplace. From Miami-Dade through Broward and into Palm Beach County, we rival almost any real estate sector nationwide. These are the structures upon which South Florida's economy continues to grow.

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BEST ARCHITECTURE/DESIGN: FINALISTS

AUBERGE BEACH RESIDENCES & SPA FORT LAUDERDALE

NICHOLS BROSCH WURST WOLFE & ASSOCIATES AND THE RELATED GROUP

Project address: 2200 N. Ocean Blvd., Fort Lauderdale 33305

KEY PARTNERS

Sales and marketing: Fortune International

Designer: Meyer Davis Studio

Landscape architect: Enea GmbH

Auberge Beach is a lifestyle destination project nearly 20 years in the making. Despite facing numerous challenges – from community opposition to hurricanes and the Great Recession – the original owners of the property, The Fairwinds Group, sought to turn the former Ireland's Inn Beach Resort site into a marquee property.

From location to design and amenities, the development team saw in Auberge Beach Residences & Spa

Fort Lauderdale an understated, yet remarkable, all-residential property from the Auberge Resorts Collection.

Located on a 4.2-acre site, the 171-unit, two-tower complex, with curved

façades and expansive terraces, has 450 linear feet of beachfront access. Shared spaces throughout the property feature flowing architectural designs, with the exterior envisioned as an iconic addition to the Fort Lauderdale waterfront. The glass-encased atrium offers views of the Atlantic and a centerpiece multimillion-dollar sculpture from Fernando Botero – one of the notable pieces of art on display throughout the property.

The luxury development's 20,000-square-foot Spa at Auberge Beach and Dune restaurant are open to the public. Both draw on features from the Auberge Resorts Collection's Napa Valley property.

Auberge Beach today is one of several luxury condominiums that are reshaping Fort Lauderdale beach with amenities and architecture that are transforming the city and region into an iconic lifestyle destination.