

CLASS TOPICS

Winter 2018

“House of John” – Ca`d`Zan, one of the last fabled late Gilded Age mansions in America, is the grand and elegant landmark of the State Art Museum of Florida. John and Mable Ringling came to Sarasota in 1911. Completed in two years, the mansion became the winter residence for the Ringlings. Upon his death in 1936, John Ringling willed the estate to the State of Florida. With the passing of time, moisture, mold, salty winds off the Bay, sunlight and lack of proper upkeep, the property fell into disrepair. We will meet with the Curator of Ca`d`Zan who will share a presentation of the construction, dilapidation, and the results of a 6-year \$15 million restoration of Ca`d`Zan, completed in 2002. How is the building faring today?

New Standard for Disposal and Recycling Services – In February 2017, **Waste Pro** announced the grand opening of a 14,000-square-foot state-of-the-art material recovery facility in south Manatee County. The facility’s single-line system for sorting recyclables enables the customer to dispose of all recyclables in a larger container without the hassle of sorting the materials into multiple containers. We will see this new system at work. (For safety, you must wear long slacks, shirt with sleeves (elbow length), and close-toed shoes.)

“Suncoast Empire” – We will meet with the author to learn about **“Bertha Honore Palmer, Her Family and the Rise of Sarasota, 1910-1982”**. In the early 20th century, Bertha Palmer was one of the best known and wealthiest women in America. In 1910, she came to the small fishing village of Sarasota, where she purchased 140,000 acres of land and invested in cattle and farming. After her death in 1918, her family, who were her heirs, went on to help develop the Sarasota region’s infrastructure, tourist industry, agricultural economy and international reputation.

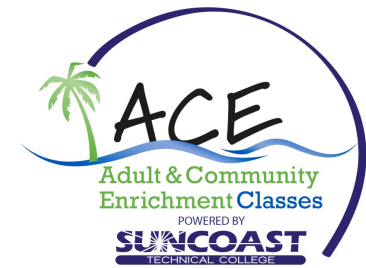
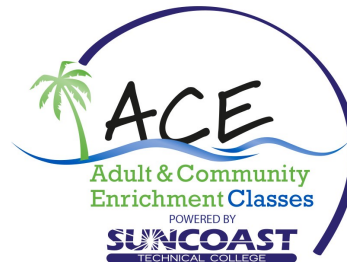
Building the Basch – Rising in the heart of campus at Ringling College of Art and Design is the newly constructed **Richard and Barbara Basch Visual Arts Center**. We will tour the \$13.7 million 38,660-square-foot complex that provides classrooms, a new gallery, and the school’s first professional-grade glass hot shop. The complex also includes the equipment for students studying a variety of media including wood, metal, sculpting, printmaking, photography, and digital fabrication such as 3D printing and laser cutting.

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From Pastureland to Sarasota County Park – The area now occupied by **Nathan Benderson Park** was formerly pastureland. In the 1980s the land was excavated to build part of I-75. Today the park provides a world-class multipurpose event center, Olympic-level training center for regional, national and international athletes, and a Sarasota County Park. We will meet with the not-for-profit business created to manage and promote Nathan Benderson Park.

They Peddled Their Artwork from the Trunks of Their Cars – From the early 1950s through the 1980s, a group of 26 African-American artists painted beautiful landscapes of the undeveloped Florida of their time. Today these artists are known as the **Florida Highwaymen**. No galleries of the time would accept their work. Today their original paintings are in great demand by collectors and enthusiasts. We will meet with a collector to learn about these self-taught painters.

A Step Back in Time to 1860s – Come, we will visit **Gamble Plantation**, the only antebellum plantation house in South Florida. The Second Seminole War ended in 1842, opening up this vast territory for settlement. Major Robert Gamble built a sugar plantation consisting of 3,450 acres. He had about 200 slaves to work the property and process the sugarcane at the huge sugar refinery. The mansion built of “tabby” 24 inches thick to insulate and withstand hurricanes still stands and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. (Admission included in registration.)

World Peace Temple for Meditation and Modern Buddhism – We will visit the **Kadampa Meditation Center Florida** which is a regional center for Kadampa Buddhism in Florida. They offer meditation classes, meditation workshops, and weekend meditation events. The KMC Florida is an oasis within the City of Sarasota with beautiful walks and a garden with many native plants and two Bodhi trees.

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