

## **May events and Programs at Edison and Ford Winter Estates**

### **Step into History Digital Edition – The Rise and Fall of the Edison General Electric Company**

**May 1, 10:30 a.m.**

**Edison and Ford Winter Estates**

**2350 McGregor Blvd., Ft. Myers**

Set foot into an era of electrical breakthroughs with Program Manager, Ryan Boyer, as he discusses Thomas Edison's efforts to electrify the United States. Learn how this period led to the formation of one of the U.S.'s first industrial conglomerates, the Edison General Electric Company, and how forces largely outside Edison's influence ultimately seized control—resulting in the creation of General Electric (GE).

This is a free virtual lecture. Register online at [edisonford.org](http://edisonford.org).

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### **Garden Talk: Gardenia**

**May 11, 10 a.m.**

**Edison and Ford Winter Estates**

**2350 McGregor Blvd., Ft. Myers**

Get a broad view of all the lovely forms and features of gardenias! We will introduce you to some surprising varieties of gardenias, from shrubs to small trees, and beautiful yellow gardenias! Our gardenias should be blooming just in time to celebrate Mother's Day so you can honor all the mothers in your life with this special beauty. Advance registration is not necessary.

Members: \$15 and non-members: \$20

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### **Digital Discussion: Amelia Earhart, Aviation Pioneer**

**May 21, 10:30 a.m.**

**Edison and Ford Winter Estates  
2350 McGregor Blvd., Ft. Myers**

Get a window into the life of Amelia Earhart and her historic accomplishments as a pioneer in the field of aviation and women's rights. Join Museum Manager, Holly Shaffer, for this free virtual lecture. Register online at [edisonford.org](http://edisonford.org)

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**Ongoing Events and Programs:**

**Yoga By the River  
Every Monday and Wednesday at 10 a.m.**

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2350 McGregor Blvd, Ft. Myers

This one-hour yoga class allows you to step away from all the 21st century gadgets and focus on the moment. All skill levels are welcome. The class is taught by Bonnie D'Angelo, a certified yoga instructor. She is RYT200 certified with Yoga Alliance and working toward RYT300. She is certified in Reiki 1 and Reiki 2 and will continue the path towards Reiki Master and Energy Worker.

Tickets are available at [edisonford.org](http://edisonford.org) or the ticket counter. Bring a yoga mat, water, and towel. Admission to the site is not included.

Edison Ford members: \$15; non-members: \$20

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**Step into History Presentations  
Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. and 2 p.m.**

**Edison and Ford Winter Estates  
2350 McGregor Blvd, Ft. Myers**

Each week, Edison Ford Historians present an in-depth look at a topic related to our site. This program is held in the 15,000-square-foot museum. Included with admission.

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**Farmers Market**  
**Every Friday in June and July**  
**9 a.m. to 1 p.m.**

**Edison and Ford Winter Estates**  
**2350 McGregor Blvd., Ft. Myers**

There's a new farmers market in town! Come shop for fresh produce and other items, get something to eat and drink, listen to music, and stroll through the wildflower and Bromeliad gardens. Plus, there will be fruit trees, herbs and flowering plants available for sale in the Garden Shoppe.

The Farmers Market is a free event with free parking (does not include admission, laboratory or riverside of the property).

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**Piano Performances**  
**Every Wednesday at 1 p.m.**

**Edison and Ford Winter Estates**  
**2350 McGregor Blvd., Ft. Myers**

Join Curatorial Registrar, Chet, for a special piano performance. He will play Mina Edison's 1932 George Steck piano in the guest house. Included with admission.

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