

Annual Planning Workshop

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Rolando Aedo Chief Operating Officer









Let's Review the Game Plan



2025 GMCVB ANNUAL PLANNING WORKSHOP PROGRAM

11 a.m. – 12 p.m.	Registration / Business Expo / Buffet Lunch			
12 p.m 1 p.m.	Welcome + Travel Trends			
	GMCVB & Expedia Group • Grand Ballroom			
	 David Whitaker, CEO and President, 			
	Greater Miami Convention and Visitors Bureau			
	 Lindsey Iles, Senior Director, 			
	Market Management, Expedia Group			
	 Francisco Scarpitto, Senior Director, 			
	Community Partnerships, Expedia Group			
1:05 p.m. – 1:55 p.m.	Breakout Session 1 (select from seven options)			
1:55 p.m 2:10 p.m.	Coffee + Dessert Break			
2:15 p.m. – 3:05 p.m.	Breakout Session 2 (select from seven options)			
3:10 p.m. – 4 p.m.	Breakout Session 3 (select from seven options)			

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4:05 p.m. – 4:40 p.m.	How to Score with Greater Miami's Global Sporting Events • Grand Ballroom
	Panelists:
	 Julie Kyse, VP of Hotel Enterprise for Expedia Group
	 Alina Hudak, President & CEO,
	FIFA World Cup 2026 Miami Host Committee
	 Guillermo Santa Cruz, President,
	Homestead-Miami Speedway
	 Caroline O'Connor, President, Business Operations,
	Miami Marlins / loanDepot park
	 Henri Crockett, President/Chair,
	Orange Bowl Committee
4:40 p.m. – 4:50 p.m.	Door Prizes
4:55 p.m. – 6 p.m.	Networking Reception – Business Expo



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David Whitaker President and CEO



How are we doing?



TOP 25 HOTEL MARKETS: MAY OCCUPANCY

2025 Rank	Area	May 2025	May 2024	% Change 25 vs 24
1	New York	87.9%	88.8%	-1.0%
2	Boston	80.7%	80.9%	-0.3%
3	Oahu Island	76.6%	77.9%	-1.7%
4	Las Vegas	76.1%	83.2%	-8.5%
5	San Diego	74.7%	73.9%	1.1%
6	Los Angeles	74.1%	72.7%	1.9%
7	Washington, DC	73.7%	76.3%	-3.3%
8	San Francisco	73.7%	71.0%	3.7%
9	Nashville	72.8%	72.7%	0.1%
10	Chicago	72.5%	71.5%	1.4%
11	Seattle	72.4%	75.5%	-4.1%
12	Miami-Dade	71.6%	73.5%	-2.6%
13	Philadelphia	71.0%	67.8%	4.8%
14	Anaheim	70.6%	68.7%	2.8%
15	Denver	69.9%	72.4%	-3.5%
16	Orlando	69.2%	68.8%	0.6%
17	Saint Louis	68.9%	62.1%	10.9%
18	Tampa Bay	68.4%	70.0%	-2.3%
19	Dallas	67.2%	70.0%	-3.9%
20	Atlanta	65.1%	67.7%	-4.0%
21	Phoenix	64.9%	68.2%	-4.8%
22	Minneapolis	63.9%	61.6%	3.8%
23	Detroit	63.7%	61.0%	4.3%
24	Houston	61.4%	67.2%	-8.6%
25	New Orleans	60.1%	69.1%	-12.9%

TOP 25 HOTEL MARKETS: MAY ROOM RATE

2025 Rank	Area	May 2025	May 2024	% Change 25 vs 24
1	New York	\$349.76	\$339.02	3.2%
2	Boston	\$269.16	\$264.94	1.6%
3	Oahu Island	\$268.05	\$272.54	-1.6%
4	Miami-Dade	\$219.86	\$218.78	0.5%
5	San Diego	\$215.68	\$204.97	5.2%
6	Las Vegas	\$210.63	\$218.15	-3.4%
7	San Francisco	\$209.59	\$224.08	-6.5%
8	Los Angeles	\$205.00	\$199.00	3.0%
9	Washington, DC	\$202.74	\$207.96	-2.5%
10	Orlando	\$198.20	\$189.30	4.7%
11	Anaheim	\$197.58	\$197.01	0.3%
12	Chicago	\$191.13	\$181.80	5.1%
13	Nashville	\$188.46	\$192.65	-2.2%
14	Seattle	\$180.17	\$185.87	-3.1%
15	Tampa Bay	\$177.29	\$170.05	4.3%
16	Philadelphia	\$169.27	\$165.13	2.5%
17	New Orleans	\$166.43	\$179.96	-7.5%
18	Phoenix	\$155.70	\$156.02	-0.2%
19	Denver	\$151.26	\$155.39	-2.7%
20	Minneapolis	\$134.09	\$135.81	-1.3%
21	Detroit	\$133.28	\$126.33	5.5%
22	Saint Louis	\$131.99	\$131.14	0.6%
23	Dallas	\$129.64	\$131.33	-1.3%
24	Atlanta	\$125.46	\$128.55	-2.4%
25	Houston	\$122.31	\$118.90	2.9%

TOP 25 HOTEL MARKETS: MAY REVPAR

2025 Rank	Area	May 2025	May 2024	% Change 25 vs 24
1	New York	\$307.44	\$301.15	2.1%
2	Boston	\$217.16	\$214.33	1.3%
3	Oahu Island	\$205.38	\$212.44	-3.3%
4	San Diego	\$161.08	\$151.47	6.3%
5	Las Vegas	\$160.22	\$181.42	-11.7%
6	Miami-Dade	\$157.35	\$160.79	-2.1%
7	San Francisco	\$154.41	\$159.19	-3.0%
8	Los Angeles	\$151.98	\$144.76	5.0%
9	Washington, DC	\$149.48	\$158.63	-5.8%
10	Anaheim	\$139.54	\$135.28	3.1%
11	Chicago	\$138.58	\$130.05	6.6%
12	Orlando	\$137.23	\$130.31	5.3%
13	Nashville	\$137.18	\$140.09	-2.1%
14	Seattle	\$130.51	\$140.37	-7.0%
15	Tampa Bay	\$121.28	\$119.10	1.8%
16	Philadelphia	\$120.24	\$111.95	7.4%
17	Denver	\$105.71	\$112.50	-6.0%
18	Phoenix	\$101.08	\$106.43	-5.0%
19	New Orleans	\$100.09	\$124.27	-19.5%
20	Saint Louis	\$90.99	\$81.48	11.7%
21	Dallas	\$87.16	\$91.89	-5.1%
22	Minneapolis	\$85.67	\$83.61	2.5%
23	Detroit	\$84.86	\$77.10	10.1%
24	Atlanta	\$81.63	\$87.09	-6.3%
25	Houston	\$75.07	\$79.87	-6.0%

TOP 25 HOTEL MARKETS: YEAR-TO-DATE OCCUPANCY

2025 Rank	Area	Jan - May 2025	Jan - May 2024	% Change 25 vs 24
1	Miami-Dade	79.9%	79.6%	0.4%
2	New York	79.8%	79.6%	0.3%
3	Oahu Island	78.3%	79.1%	-1.0%
4	Tampa Bay	78.2%	74.7%	4.7%
5	Las Vegas	76.5%	81.2%	-5.7%
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24	Minneapolis	54.6%	52.6%	3.8%
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Source: STR				

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6	Tampa Bay	\$158.84	\$143.66	10.6%
7	San Francisco	\$155.04	\$140.75	10.2%
8	Phoenix	\$149.35	\$154.57	-3.4%
9	Boston	\$146.36	\$144.36	1.4%
10	San Diego	\$146.12	\$143.60	1.8%
11	Los Angeles	\$141.82	\$134.54	5.4%
12	Anaheim	\$141.11	\$138.09	2.2%
13	Washington, DC	\$131.79	\$128.54	2.5%
14	New Orleans	\$130.92	\$122.51	6.9%
15	Nashville	\$112.45	\$116.57	-3.5%
16	Seattle	\$102.16	\$103.69	-1.5%
17	Philadelphia	\$91.87	\$88.12	4.3%
18	Chicago	\$90.61	\$85.19	6.4%
19	Dallas	\$87.75	\$88.21	-0.5%
20	Denver	\$86.46	\$89.94	-3.9%
21	Atlanta	\$82.87	\$81.53	1.6%
22	Houston	\$76.72	\$75.52	1.6%
23	Saint Louis	\$73.23	\$69.32	5.6%
24	Minneapolis	\$68.58	\$67.30	1.9%
25	Detroit	\$66.47	\$65.65	1.2%
Source: STR				

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Source: STR				

Miami-Dade County Weekly Hotel Demand Rooms Sold (in 1,000s)



Source: STR

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Year-Over-Year

Miami-Dade County Weekly Hotel Demand Rooms Sold % Change Year Over Year



Miami-Dade County Weekly Hotel Occupancy (%)



Year-Over-Year +7.7%

Miami-Dade County Weekly Hotel Average Daily Rate (ADR)

Year-Over-Prior-Year +9.8%



Source: STR

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Miami-Dade County Weekly Hotel ADR % Change Year Over Year



Miami-Dade County Weekly Reserved Occupancy As of July 1, 2025





- 1. Broader promotion of and engagement in our neighborhoods.
- 2. An expanding marketing and content strategy focusing on Luxury/Affluent lifestyles.
- 3. Music as a key platform.
- 4. Art & Culture
- 5. Convention/Event need periods

Marquis Sports Events in the Coming Year



June 14 - July 13, 2025



January 2, 2026



JANUARY 19 | MIAMI



November 6 - 8, 2026



March 5 - 17, 2026



June 11 - July 19, 2026

Leveraging Annual Events



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Music

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Miami

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Best Outdoor Music Festival



10. Jazz in the Gardens Music Fest |

Welcome to Miami Gardens! The JITG Music Fest heats up the city every March with local musicians and big-name artists bringing hip-hop, soul, jazz and R&B to the stage. Don't miss the Opening Night Party at Hard Rock Stadium for South Florida's best music, cuisine and social scene. Or take part in the unique Women's Impact Luncheon that'll leave you inspired before your evening on the dance floor.

Miami Gardens, FL



LIFESTYLE > ARTS

Chaka Khan And Festival Organizers On Bringing Montreux Jazz To Miami

By <u>Steve Baltin</u>, Senior Contributor. ① I write about music and the business o... v Follow Author

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Photo courtesy of Jazz in the Gardens Music Fest



Music



Flighting: 5/26-9/30 | Markets: Tri-County, Drive Markets | Channels: Search/Social Media/ Display

Food

MAM Spice RESTAURANT MONTHS



2025 JAMES BEARD AWARDS



FOOD&WINE

Best Food Cities in America 2025

OVERALL RANK	CITY	SCORE	AFFORDABILITY RANK	DIVERSITY, ACCESSIBILITY, AND QUALITY RANK
1	Miami	74.37	145	1
2	San Francisco	71.66	173	2
3	Orlando, FL	71.43	54	3
4	Portland, OR	69.48	101	4
5	Tampa, FL	69.31	76	6
6	Sacramento, CA	66.79	68	8
7	Las Vegas	66.51	82	9
8	Seattle	64.69	176	5
9	Denver	64.08	121	13
10	San Diego, CA	63.74	147	10
11	Atlanta	63.24	167	7
12	St. Louis, MO	62.61	107	14
13	Los Angeles	61.70	170	12
14	Austin, TX	61.42	81	16
15	Pittsburgh, PA	61.16	12	22

Meetings and Conventions

Grand Hyatt Miami Beach Convention Center Hotel





It's all about partnerships...







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Silvia Camarota Senior Director, North America

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Navigating the Miami Market with Expedia Group

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TRAVELER VALUE INDEX 2025

50%

half of travelers say travel is more important now than it was 5 years ago

Strong searches L28D

L28D 2025 | Destinations super-regions | YoY search % change



TRAVELER INSIGHTS | Q2 2025

Top searched destinations

For APAC travelers	For EMEA travelers	For LATAM travelers	For NORAM travelers
🗆 Tokyo, Japan	London, England	🗆 Mexico City, Mexico	Cancun, Mexico
🗆 Sydney, Australia	Paris, France	Cancun, Mexico	🗆 Las Vegas, Nevada
🗆 Melbourne, Australia	🗆 Istanbul, Türkiye	🗆 Sao Paulo, Brazil	🗆 Orlando, Florida
Seoul, South Korea	🗆 Dubai, UAE	🗆 Rio de Janeiro, Brazil	🗆 Punta Cana, Dominican Republic
🗆 Osaka, Japan	□ New York, New York	Puerto Vallarta, Mexico	🗆 Miami, Florida
□ Singapore	□ Rome, Italy	🗆 Playa del Carmen, Mexico	🗆 Los Angeles, California
🗆 Gold Coast, Australia	Amsterdam, Netherlands	Madrid, Spain	Chicago, Illinois
🗆 Fukuoka, Japan	🗆 Barcelona, Spain*	□ Paris, France*	New York, New York
🗆 Incheon, South Korea	Lisbon, Portugal*	□ New York, New York	🗆 Fort Lauderdale, Florida
🗆 Taipei, Taiwan	🗆 Palma de Mallorca, Spain*	🗆 Mazatlán, Mexico*	Boston, Massachusetts

Future Traveler Intent Miami

L28D Searches 2025 | Miami | YoY search % change



International Trends – Top 10 Points of Sale

Last 28 Days searches | Miami

Country	Share
Canada	30%
United Kingdom	13%
Brazil	12%
France	8%
Germany	8%
Mexico	7%
Italy	4%
Sweden	2%
Switzerland	2%

Miami Quick Facts:

- International Traveler Intent Share: 40%
- 50% of international searches are 90+ days out
- Growth Standouts: Japan, Saudi Arabia and UAE

One marketplace, endless opportunities for partners.



Inventory

Bookings



Consumer Brands

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Cruise Campaign





Set sail to your Miami getaway

Cruise and stay where art and the outdoors blend to create a unique adventure.





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The Family Getaway Sale: Save 25%+

Save 25% or more with Member Prices, when you book by May 26 and travel by Sep 30, 2025.

Unlock sale deals

The Family Getaway Sale: Book by May 26 Showing deals for: Jun 27 - Jun 29





9.2 Wonderful (1,742 reviews) FOUNDRE Phoenix Phoenix



10 Exceptional (1 review) La Casona by Avantstay Gorgeous Spanish Style Oasis w/ Historic... Phoenix



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Highlights

crib, parking, and more

waterslide, lazy river

For your family trip

Included with your stay: free water park,

8 outdoor pools, lifeguards on site,

8.8 Excellent (1,231 reviews)

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\$180 nightly \$750 **\$615**

✓ Total includes taxes and fees

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Flow Miami Hotel

Downtown Miami

Wonderful 97 reviews

\$295 \$144

includes taxes & fees

X Fully refundable

included

X Reserve now.

pay later

V Pool

\$185 total

VIP Access

Doral

\$132

\$149 hotal

Holiday Inn Express

Doral Miami by IHG

Exceptional 1404 reviews

includes taxes & fees

Fully refundable

included. Reserve now.

pay later

X Pool

Brickell

\$339

\$383 total

JW Marriott Miami

Very Good

includes taxes & fees

X Fully refundable

included

X Reserve now.

pay later

Pool

Hampton Inn (13)

× Compare

by IHG

Kimpton EPIC Hotel

Downtown Mlami

Excellent 1796 reviews

£299 \$239

includes taxes & fees

Fully refundable

included

Reserve now.

pay later.

V. Pool

\$316 total

VIP Access

Doral

\$134

\$152 total

Residence Inn

Miami Airport

Wonderful LOOLreviews

includes taxes & fees

X Fully refundable

included.

X Reserve now.

pay later

Pool

West/Doral

See more

Traveler experience 🔲 Beach (194) LGBTQ welcoming (90) Adults only (2)

Luxury Property (37)

See more

Availability Only show available pro

Meal plans available Breakfast included (105)

Accessibility Elevator (175)

Roll-in shower (77)

Accessible bathroom (94

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One Key benefits and disco

VIP Access properties (1-Member prices Get instant savings when yo signed in

Discounted properties

×	Breakfast included		Breakfast included	×	Breakfast included	×	Breakfast included	1	Breakfast Included
~	Spa	×	Spa	×	Spa	×	Spa	×	Spa
×	Airport shuttle included		Airport shuttle included	×	Airport shuttle included	×	Airport shuttle included	×	Airport shuttle included
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THE PALM BEACHES

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Book now



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TRAVEL PLANS

Evolving preferences

82%

are interested in booking travel through a non-travel loyalty program

Source: Expedia Group, 2025 Traveler Value Index



One marketplace, endless opportunities for partners.





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Retail



Loyalty programs Corporate Travel suppliers travel

expedia group advertising



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The power of B2B



Why **B2B** is relevant?

Diversity

Became a key fator to understand **new habits** e-costumer habits)

Distribution

Took the center of everything due to scalability, optimization and growth

Demand

Despite all, it still stronger and willing to discover new destinations

B2B is about scaling market reach

B2C main brands, cover 15% of global market...

"**Private Label Solutions** allows us to go after the other 85%, in turn bringing valuable demand to our supply partners"

Grow hotel business Create new flywheels with new LoBs

Become AI player for travel partner

Three major travel distribution products

Rapid Hotel API



API **technology for affiliate partners** to integrate supply and content into their own travel experiences

White Label Template



End-to-end technology solution including supply, **site experience**, **booking engine and servicing**. May include custom loyalty integration

Travel Agent Affiliate Program

Paris (and vicinity), France	Check-In Sep 5	heck-out tep 10 Travelers Search
N Filter 9,765 properties		Sort by Pacework Sort By Sort
View on map		Display settings
Real Property and a second	Location info	\$#### Total Serena Am
		with taxes and fees
		# rooms, # nights
	Partially refundable before Mon, Aug 22	# rooms, # nights > Price details Commission

Easy-to-use **turnkey tool** purpose built for travel agents

The Power of B2B

Miami for B2B

- ✓ Double Digit growth vs Last 6 months
- ✓ 5^{th} Global Market Destination
- ✓ 2nd Top US Market

Share B2B segments Miami

- ✓ Retail
- ✓ Loyalty
- ✓ Other OTA's
- ✓ Corporate (30% growth!)

Top 5 B2B Point of Sales

1.	USA	1
2.	China	1111
3.	Brazil	11
4.	UK	1111
5.	Argentina	111



The Power of B2B

Scalability

PLS is the largest & mos connected B2B travel network in the world 160k Travel advisors

+70k

Partners

135M+

Room nights

The Power of B2B

Efficiency

PLS provides the Technology, Product and Merchandising tools to boost conversion at not extra cost, not extra effort.



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PLS is already working the Future of Distribution



Car

Activity

Insurance

Airline













Let's grow together







Key takeaways

01

Travel demand remains strong — travelers are ready to book.

02

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Beyond rate: drive growth through visibility, targeting, and distribution.

03

Partner with Expedia Group across our three pillars: Consumer Brands, B2B Distribution, and Travel Media.













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Rolando Aedo Chief Operating Officer



Field Maintenance



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2025 GMCVB ANNUAL PLANNING WORKSHOP PROGRAM

11 a.m. – 12 p.m.	Registration / Business Expo / Buffet Lunch
12 p.m 1 p.m.	Welcome + Travel Trends
	GMCVB & Expedia Group • Grand Ballroom
	 David Whitaker, CEO and President,
	Greater Miami Convention and Visitors Bureau
	 Lindsey Isles, Senior Director,
	Market Management, Expedia Group
	 Francisco Scarpitto, Senior Director,
	Community Partnerships, Expedia Group
1:05 p.m. – 1:55 p.m.	Breakout Session 1 (select from seven options)
1:55 p.m 2:10 p.m.	Coffee + Dessert Break
2:15 p.m. – 3:05 p.m.	Breakout Session 2 (select from seven options)
3:10 p.m. – 4 p.m.	Breakout Session 3 (select from seven options)
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4:05 p.m. – 4:40 p.m.	How to Score with Greater Miami's Global Sporting Events • Grand Ballroom
	Panelists:
	 Julie Kyse, VP of Hotel Enterprise for Expedia Group
	 Alina Hudak, President & CEO,
	FIFA World Cup 2026 Miami Host Committee
	 Guillermo Santa Cruz, President,
	Homestead-Miami Speedway
	 Caroline O'Connor, President, Business Operations,
	Miami Marlins / loanDepot park
	 Henri Crockett, President/Chair,
	Orange Bowl Committee
4:40 p.m. – 4:50 p.m.	Door Prizes
4:55 p.m. – 6 p.m.	Networking Reception – Business Expo

2025 WORKSHOP BREAKOUT SESSIONS Select Three to Attend

Arts & Culture Tourism (Session 1 and 2 - offered twice)

Ignite the Season: Crafting a Campaign to Celebrate Arts & Culture

As the curtain rises on Greater Miami and Miami Beach's vibrant fall arts season, join fellow tourism and cultural professionals in this dynamic, interactive workshop designed to inspire a powerful marketing campaign that shines a spotlight on Greater Miami's diverse arts and culture scene. Together, we'll explore key messaging, seasonal highlights, and creative tactics to attract culture-seeking travelers. Participants will collaborate in guided brainstorming sessions, share insights from their sectors, and help shape the vision for a destination-wide campaign that launches this fall. Come ready to contribute, connect, and help build the blueprint that positions Miami as a premier arts and culture destination.

Travel Industry Sales (session to be offered three times)

Game On: Leveraging 2025 Travel Trends through a Leisure Lens

Join the training camp, facilitated by the Travel Industry Sales Team and Expedia Group, to scout the field (trends), discuss the game plan (strategize) and formulate a post-game analysis (takeaways).

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Digital Marketing (session to be offered three times)

Digital Marketing: Driving Results for Team Miami

Step into the huddle for a strategic session powered by the Greater Miami Convention & Visitors Bureau and Expedia Group. This 45-minute, hands-on workshop invites our partners to help strategize the next phase of digital marketing plays for Greater Miami & Miami Beach.

In keeping with this year's sports focus, we'll examine how teamwork and alignment can amplify our reach; from headline-making sports and music campaigns to new opportunities for collaboration through co-branded creative, co-ops, and sponsorships. Through open dialogue and facilitated group discussion, we'll work together to craft messaging that connects, strategies that convert, and campaigns that reflect the vibrancy of our destination. Let's set the game plan—and win as one team.

Marketing Communications (session to be offered three times)

From Sidelines to Headlines: Scoring Big with PR & Social Media

The game is changing—and Greater Miami & Miami Beach is playing to win. From the FIFA World Cup to Formula 1, global sporting events are capturing the world's attention and driving record-setting tourism. But how can local hotels, attractions and neighborhood partners harness that momentum through public relations and social media? Join this interactive, sports-themed panel session where we'll break down the playbook for success in today's earned media and social arena. We'll look at how to turn local experiences into national headlines, how to use real-time content to amplify cultural moments and how to work with athletes and influencers to bring global fans to our neighborhoods.

Convention Sales & Services (session to be offered three times)

Elevating Our Sales Game: Strategies & Innovations for a Successful Year

Join us for an interactive workshop where your insights and ideas will take center stage! Designed for meetings sales and service professionals, this session will empower you to co-create innovative strategies that will drive success to our community in the coming year. Collaborate with industry experts and peers to develop actionable plans tailored to our city's unique opportunities. Together, we'll dive into this year's performance and market data and explore techniques to enhance client relationships and ensure our city shines as a premier meetings destination.







CAMBRIDGE

Session 1 (offered once) • From Screen to Stage: Unlocking the Power of Set-Jetting, Gig-Tripping, and Film Incentives in Greater Miami

Greater Miami and Miami Beach is more than just a backdrop—it's a star in its own right. With the rise of set-jetting and gig-tripping, travelers are flocking to destinations made famous by film, television, and live music. This panel explores how Miami's vibrant entertainment scene, combined with competitive film incentives, can drive tourism, boost local economies, and elevate our destination's global profile. Learn how to engage fans and turn cinematic moments into unforgettable visitor experiences. Discover how tourism and entertainment partners can collaborate to transform Greater Miami into a premier destination for entertainment-driven travel.

Session 2 and 3 (offered twice) • Game On, Miami 2026: Leveraging Major Sporting Events for Tourism Growth

Greater Miami and Miami Beach is set to take center stage on the global sports calendar with a thrilling lineup of events—from the College Football National Championship, Orange Bowl Quarterfinal, NHL Winter Classic, World Baseball Classic, FIFA World Cup and the return of the NASCAR Championship race in Homestead, 2026 is set to be a record year for sports in Greater Miami. This panel explores how tourism and hospitality partners can capitalize on the influx of fans, international visitors, and global attention. Learn how to align your brand with these high-impact events, create unforgettable visitor experiences, and drive economic impact across the region. Join us as we dive into strategies for maximizing visibility, partnerships, and ROI during Greater Miami's most exciting year in sports yet.

Maximizing Website Tools & Partner Exposure (session to be offered three times)

Join us for a hands-on, interactive session focused on enhancing how your business shows up on MiamiandMiamiBeach.com, the official destination website visited by millions of travelers each year. This 45-minute workshop will explore how GMCVB partners can increase their visibility, drive more engagement and make the most of digital tools available through the GMCVB platform. Participants will collaborate in small groups to share feedback on listing features, event calendar tools and user experience improvements. Together, we'll discuss what resources, content and training partners need to better tell their story and convert online interest into real-world visits. Whether you're a frequent site contributor or new to the platform, this session is designed to help you maximize your digital presence.

The Soul of a Destination: Building and Celebrating

an Inclusive and Cultural Hospitality Community (each session to be offered one time)

WINDSOR

Session 1 · Queer Voices in Travel: Building Authentic Narratives Within Hospitality

This panel explores how Queer media and influencers collaborate with destinations and their partners to tell stories that are both deeply personal and powerfully representative. From creating inclusive content to navigating brand goals, we'll unpack how these partnerships foster visibility, trust and connection — and how destinations benefit from that authentic third-party voice. We'll also look at how platforms like Expedia can help amplify and distribute these messages more broadly.

Session 2 · Multicultural Development – Connecting the Community with Tourism and Education Opportunities

We invite you to join us to exchange ideas designed to support and strengthen the economic sustainability of multicultural communities and heritage-related businesses and further connect them to tourism opportunities within Greater Miami & Miami Beach. From capacity-building and supporting cultural programming to elevating the visual arts and workforce development and scholarships through the BHI education program, we look forward to hearing from culture advocates, attractions, hotels and marketing professionals.

Session 3 • The Rhythm Is Miami: Unlocking the Power of Music to Drive Cultural Tourism

Miami is more than sunshine and sand—it's a city alive with rhythm, where Afro-Caribbean beats, Latin grooves, jazz and electronic music pulse through its neighborhoods. In this dynamic session, we will explore how positioning Greater Miami & Miami Beach as a premier global music destination can elevate the visitor experience, extend the length of stay and drive year-round travel. Hotels, attractions, tour operators and DMOs are welcome to plug into the city's growing music positioning.

Time to break the huddle!



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Thursday, November 6, 2025 3 p.m. - 5 p.m. reception to follow

Coastal Convention Center Fontainebleau Miami Beach

4441 Collins Avenue Miami Beach, Florida 33140

Overtime! Join us for the reception...

