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## FROM SEA TO SHINING SEA

OPENINGS, HAPPENINGS,  
AND ANNOUNCEMENTS IN  
OCEAN HOME'S WORLD

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If you don't have plans for Thanksgiving, Rhode Island's new **Watch Hill Inn** offers the perfect escape with family or friends. Located in the heart of historic Watch Hill village, overlooking the waters of Little Narragansett Bay, this delightful retreat is fresh from a major renovation this year with 19 elegant suites decorated in contemporary style and featuring custom kitchens, private laundry facilities, state-of-the-art technologies, and complimentary breakfasts. A sister hotel to the iconic five-star Ocean House, Watch Hill Inn is open weekends through October and November and the whole week of Thanksgiving. [watchhillinn.com](http://watchhillinn.com)

The president of Ocean Land Investments, Jean Francois Roy, informs me that initial sales for **AquaVita**, the first of five luxury waterfront condominium developments that will reinvigorate Fort Lauderdale's East Las Olas real estate, are surging along. Located on Hendricks Isle, just off Las Olas Boulevard, the contemporary five-story building offers 22 two- and three-bedroom residences ranging in size from 2,321 to 4,480 square feet and prices from \$995,000 to \$2.9 million. Opening date is scheduled for March 2015. If you miss out on AquaVita, its sister condominiums AquaLuna and AquaMar are breaking ground soon. [oceanland.com](http://oceanland.com)

**Gurney's Montauk Resort & Seawater Spa** is the new hot spot in the Hamptons thanks to the first of a multi-phase renovation by new owners and real estate moguls George Filopoulos and Lloyd Goldman. The popular oceanfront resort has unveiled 38 signature guest rooms, a new food and beverage program by hospitality magnate Jennifer LeRoy, a refreshed spa, a redesigned seawater pool, numerous rooftop spaces with ocean views for entertaining and weddings, and a stylish beach club with a new restaurant and bar. Gurney's is the only oceanfront hotel in the Hamptons and the only year-round resort in the region. [gurneysinn.com](http://gurneysinn.com)

Miami has an exciting new luxury hotel to celebrate with the imminent opening of **Thomson Miami Beach**. Following a multi-million-dollar renovation, and



located at 4041 Collins Ave., the 380-room beachfront hotel will showcase the creative talents of leading chef Michelle Bernstein, a James Beard Foundation Award winner and a guest star on "Top Chef" and "Iron Chef America." The new hotel will blend beach-inspired facilities with mid-century international resort style and is accepting reservations for arrivals starting December 19. [thompsonhotels.com](http://thompsonhotels.com)

California's Huntington Beach will welcome its newest luxury hotel, **Paséa Hotel & Spa**, which broke ground during the summer and is scheduled for completion in early 2016. The eight-story hotel, situated across from the Huntington Beach Pier and being integrated into the Pacific City retail and entertainment center, will feature 250 ocean-view rooms and suites, a Balinese-inspired spa, custom designed pool deck, a signature restaurant, roof deck and bar overlooking the Pacific, and an outdoor dining patio. The hotel will be managed by Pacific Hospitality Group as part of its Meritage Collection in California. [meritagecollection.com](http://meritagecollection.com)

**Two's company**  
Top, AquaVita is the first of five new ocean developments in Fort Lauderdale's East Las Olas; newly designed rooms at Gurney's Montauk Resort & Seawater Spa.