



*Above Image: Clyde Butcher, Shell Key*

February marks the debut of our Cultural Conversation Series. In the past Cultural Conversations was a benefit of membership, but in 2021 we are offering Cultural Conversations as our gift to you thanks to the generous support we've received from **PNC – Arts Alive!**

For now, this series is appearing virtually so that we can rest assured that everyone who participates is staying healthy and safe. For anyone who has visited the gallery, you know that our space is compact which makes it difficult to hold in person gatherings. So this pivot to virtual for Cultural Conversation and other gallery experiences, like Sunset Concerts, is the safest option for now. If you can't join us live online, the sessions will be recorded.

***Don't forget we also have a rare opportunity to virtually meet Clyde Butcher during his virtual "Meet & Greet" on February 11 at 2 PM.*** We are so excited to have Eve Samples, executive director of the Friends of the Everglades, serve as our host for the hour-long talk with Clyde. [Register for that session to get your link to join the conversation.](#) Ticket proceeds are being shared with the Friends of the Everglades. Tickets are \$25.

Thanks for your support and participation! Stay safe,

A handwritten signature in green ink, appearing to read 'Nancy'.

**Nancy K. Turrell, Executive Director**  
The Arts Council of Martin County



## Cultural Conversations | 5:30 pm

### Shakespeare's Villains - What Makes Them So Much Fun? | Feb 2nd

*Why are villains so much fun? How did Shakespeare create such compelling villains? What were his inspirations, and where do we see these villains in today's world? Presented by Dennis O'Donovan, ACT Studio Theatre.*

### The Art & Science of Photography | March 2nd

*Hosted by artist and photographer, Maria Miele, a panel of photographs will discuss photography from their point of view. Maria Miele is a former board member of the Arts Council of Martin County and an arts teacher at The Pine School.*

### Why Public Art? | April 6th

*A lively discussion will explore the topic of public art and why it makes a difference in our communities from a variety of panelists including artists, government representatives and more.*

### What makes a Building Historic? | May 4th

*Is a building historic, or just old? During Historic Preservation Month (May), a panel of local experts will discuss traits of buildings that make them historic led by Niki Norton, AIA.*

**Register Now!**

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