JEWISH MUSEUM OF FLORIDA
JEWISH-FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL
CREATE HISTORIC PARTNERSHIP

The Jewish Museum of Florida and the Florida International University (FIU) announced today that the University's library will house two adjacent Art Deco buildings that are former synagogues, located at 3600 University Dr. The museum will open to the public on November 1. The opening of the historic buildings marks a new chapter in the partnership between the museums.

"This marks a new chapter in our partnership with the Jewish Museum of Florida," said FIU President Mark S. Rosenberg. "Through this generous gift, FIU will expand our reach into the South Florida community, helping to preserve an important part of our history while enhancing the global learning experience we offer our students."

A key component of the mutual plan for the JMF-FLU is the exhibition of historic buildings, including the Jewish Student Program, to the Museum's facilities. This plan also includes the expansion of academic programs and research initiatives designed to increase the intellectual exchange between faculty, and the greater South Florida community about the challenges of the immigrant experience shared by all communities, including our Jewish community."

"This step launches us into our next phase of growth, by strengthening awareness of our institution and its mission, broadening our academic community, and increasing engagement with our alumni base," said FIU Vice President of Education, Administration, and University Advancement.

"The Museum is excited to offer this opportunity to the public," said JMF Executive Director and CEO, Dr. Steven W. Rosenthal. "We are thrilled to be able to share the rich history and culture of our community with the FIU community."

"This is an important moment in the history of Florida," said Florida International University President Mark S. Rosenberg. "We are proud to be a part of this historic partnership."