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## Miami Beach Celebrates Turtle Fest

— *The lovable reptiles take over Altos Del Mar Park on Saturday, April 29* —

**Miami Beach, FL** – The City of Miami Beach will honor its lovable sea turtles on Saturday, April 29 at Altos Del Mar Park as part of the month-long Earth Month celebration in Miami Beach.

The event, which runs from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at 76 Street and Collins Avenue, will feature sea turtle experts, live music, craft activities, refreshments and games. It coincides with the start of sea turtle nesting season that runs from April 1 through October 31. The event is keeping sustainability in mind and has worked with vendors to reduce plastic waste and collect organic waste at the event with local organization Compost for Life, in addition to hosting a beach cleanup with Clean Miami Beach.

“We want everyone to understand that these amazing sea creatures are an important part of our marine ecosystem,” shared Miami Beach City Manager Alina T. Hudak. “Sea turtles rely on our beaches to create their nests and continue their life cycle. It is up to us to make sure our beaches continue to be a welcoming and safe habitat for these magnificent animals.”

Local experts will discuss sea turtle migration patterns and ways to help protect these beautiful creatures for future generations. Of particular note, the Turtle Hospital will be providing a unique opportunity for guests to get an up-close view of one of their sea turtle patients. Miami Beach is home to three species of protected sea turtles, including the loggerhead, green and leatherback varieties.

Visit [www.miamibeachfl.gov/event/turtle-fest/](http://www.miamibeachfl.gov/event/turtle-fest/) to find more information on Turtle Fest. Visit [www.mbrisingabove.com/events](http://www.mbrisingabove.com/events) for more information on Earth Month events in Miami Beach.

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