

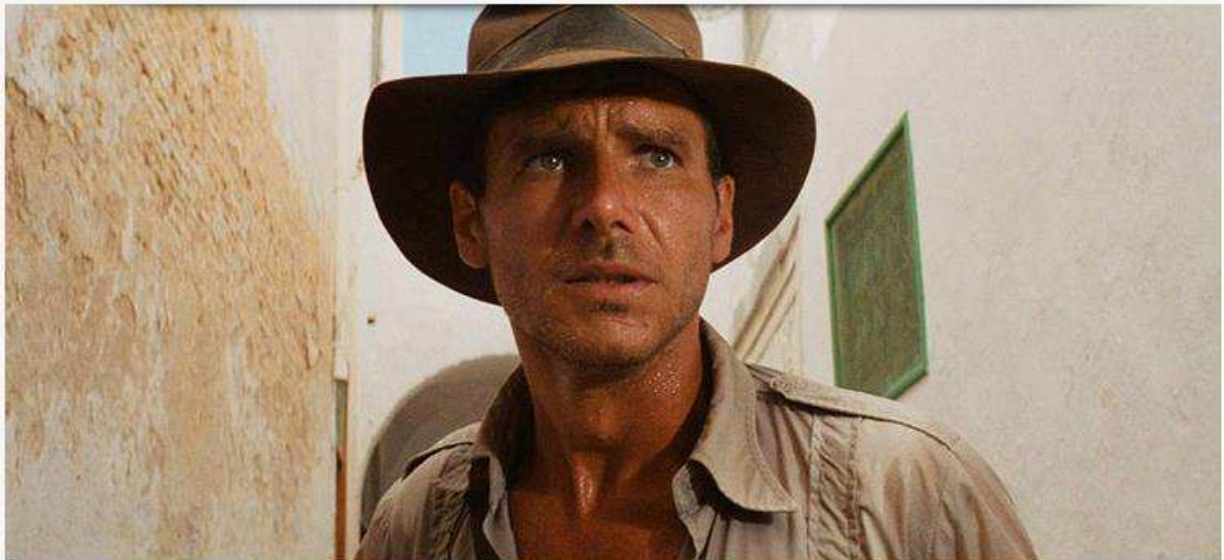


THE EIGHT BEST THINGS TO DO IN BROWARD AND PALM BEACH THIS WEEK

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Experience Indiana Jones with a live score at Mizner: See Friday.

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When it was released in the summer of 1981, *Raiders of the Lost Ark* was not universally loved. Pauline Kael, writing in the *New Yorker*, dismissed Indiana Jones' debut as a "machine-tooled adventure" created by people who "think just like the marketing division." If only she had lived to see *Transformers* and *Twilight*. These days, *Raiders* is appreciated by cinephiles, casual moviegoers, and, presumably, extraterrestrials alike as an unalloyed classic, the kind of action/adventure/comedy/romance that benchmarks a winning blockbuster. We're nostalgic for its grainy film quality, its pre-CGI effects, its droll humor, its insistence that such a quaint concept as a story still mattered. Then there's the music: A goodly portion of *Raiders*' permanent residency in some cranny of our memory banks is thanks to John Williams' soaring, iconic score, which screams "Indiana Jones" as much as a dusty fedora and a fear of snakes. That's what makes the opening night of this year's Festival of the Arts Boca so special. The weeklong-plus celebration of music and performing arts opens with a 35th-anniversary screening of *Raiders* on the Mizner Park Amphitheater's jumbo screen, with conductor Constantine Kitsopoulos leading the University of Miami's Henry Mancini Institute Orchestra through a live performance of Williams' dynamic, triumphant music. It promises to be a fully immersive evening, though it's best to leave your bullwhip at home.

The film screens at 7 p.m. Friday at the amphitheater, located at 590 Plaza Real in Boca Raton. Tickets cost \$15 to \$125. Call 561-368-8445, or visit festivaloftheartsboca.org.

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