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## Go Beyond the Beaches in Fort Myers

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## Visit the Bob Rauschenberg Gallery

The legacy of Robert Rauschenberg, the renowned artist who lived on Captiva Island from 1970 until he died in 2008, anchors the Fort Myers cultural landscape. The [Bob Rauschenberg Gallery](#) at Florida Southwestern State College serves as the region's main connection to his work, which helped define abstract expressionism and pop art.

The gallery collaborated closely with Rauschenberg for more than three decades. It was renamed in his honor in 2004, presenting iconic works such as the *¼ Mile or Two Furlong Piece*, comprising 190 panels and mixed-media sculptures spanning more than 1,000 feet. The current exhibition, *Rauschenberg at 100: As Large as the World Is*, runs through May 2, 2026, in the gallery's Annex. Visitors can see more than a dozen works, including pieces from the *Runts* and *Borealis* series. The show offers a closer look at how Rauschenberg's creativity bridged nature, community, and imagination.