

# VBMWB

## *Vanessa Baez Memorial Women's Brunch*

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### **15TH ANNUAL VANESSA BAEZ MEMORIAL WOMEN'S BRUNCH CELEBRATES QUINCEAÑERA WITH GUEST SPEAKER CELEBRITY CHEF MICHELLE BERNSTEIN**

Swag Bags, Auction, and Brunch from Brava by Brad Kilgore at Adrienne Arsht Center

**MIAMI, FL (February 20, 2019)** — The **Vanessa Baez Memorial Women's Brunch** (VBMWB) is back as part of the three day **Spoken Soul Festival** (SSF) and is celebrating its quinceañera in true and trendy Miami fashion.

Amy Baez, founder of the closing event and one of the founding members of SSF, created the brunch as a way to celebrate the life of her sister Vanessa, "an everyday woman with extraordinary courage," who lost her life at the age of 29 to sarcoidosis.

Over the years, the brunch has grown to include guest speakers and attendees who are also women of extraordinary courage and brunch at one of Miami's trendiest spots. Let's not forget the highlight of event, a live auction that may feature everything from artwork to professional services to salon spa treatments, over 20 raffle prizes and highly prized swag bags for each attendee. Today, VBMWB is the Spoken Soul Festival's biggest fundraiser, supporting women artists in South Florida.

**15<sup>th</sup> Annual Vanessa Baez Memorial  
Women's Brunch: Vanessa's Quinceañeras  
11 a.m. to 3 p.m. | Sunday | March 24  
Brava by Brad Kilgore | 1300 Biscayne Boulevard**

Guests will enjoy a sumptuous "Miami & American" brunch menu (gluten free options included) at Brava, the restaurant of James Beard Award finalist, Brad Kilgore and celebrity chef Michelle Bernstein, Miami local, James Beard award winner, cookbook author and host of both *SoFlo Taste* and *Check, Please! South Florida* is this year's guest speaker.

One of VBMWB's main accomplishments is raising funds for organizations that help women and children. To date, the event has donated \$16k to assist women and children in need. Do your part by purchasing your ticket now. Cost is \$80/pp and tickets are available via Eventbrite at [tinyurl.com/vbmwb](http://tinyurl.com/vbmwb).

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