

## Olara Breaks Ground with Announcement of New José Andrés Restaurant

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New York-based developer **Savanna** broke ground on **Olara** – its highly anticipated new luxury residential condominium on West Palm Beach's waterfront with the announcement that renowned **Chef José Andrés** will bring his first new restaurant concept in the Palm Beaches to Olara. Although the restaurant will be open to the public, Olara residents will have access to exclusive culinary services, including food and beverage provisions throughout the tower's amenity spaces and private, in-residence dining. Located on the ground floor of Olara, it will occupy 8,500 square feet featuring both indoor and outdoor dining.



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Olara celebrated its official groundbreaking with a ceremony attended by West Palm Beach Mayor Keith James. Among other notables were Savanna Co-chairmen Chris Schlank and Nick Bienstock, Comm. Cathleen Ward, Mayor Keith James, Nick Bienstock, Comm. Shalonda Warren, Comm. Christina Lambert, Bernardo Fort Brescia, Amy Schlank, Alison Newton, Beth Rudin DeWoody & Firooz Zahedi, Lorna James, Tommy Morrison, Robyn Joseph, Rick Moeser & Mitch Brown, Catherine Adler & Helmut Koller, Erika & Lee Lipton, Vince Spadea, Karen Klopp, Sonja & Mark Stevens, Casey Orrico and Kathie Orrico.



Chris Schlank with Beth DeWoody & Firooz Zahedi

With the building being readied for 2027 completion, this major construction milestone led by SavCon and Gilbane signifies the transformation of the waterfront of West Palm Beach into a premier destination offering condominium residences, a private marina, world-class culinary experiences and an unprecedented lifestyle for sophisticated clientele.

"We're excited to be announcing our partnership with José Andrés Group, as well as our groundbreaking on what will become one of the most transformative developments in West Palm Beach," said **Chris Schlank**, President and Co-Chairman of Savanna. "We're introducing a unique luxury residential concept that this area hasn't seen yet, and we're excited to collaborate with this impressive chef to elevate the neighborhood not only for our buyers but for the entire community."





Chef José Andrés

**Sam Bakhshandehpour**, President of José Andrés Group stated, "West Palm Beach has truly become Wall Street South, an epicenter for finance as well as a thriving residential community. The investment being made here in year-round, waterfront living is what attracted us at José Andrés Group to be a part of Olara's ambitious plans for West Palm Beach."

Offering inspiring views of the Atlantic Ocean, Palm Beach Island and the Intracoastal Waterway, Olara is a 26-story tower designed by **Arquitectonica** to be reflective of the idyllic nautical landscape

that surrounds it. The building features 275 private condominium residences, as well as an impressive 80,000 square feet of indoor and outdoor amenity spaces for an unrivaled luxury lifestyle. This includes a 13,000-square-foot fitness center by **The Wright Fit** that boasts an open-air yoga deck, performance training zones and a recovery and regeneration spa that sets the tone for Olara's focus on wellness; two swimming pools specifically designated for leisure and lap highlighting Olara's resort.



Mayor Keith James & Lorna James with Beth Rudin DeWoody & Firooz Zahedi



Catherine Adler & Helmut Koller



Monica Novo, Amy & Chris Schlank, and Harriet Habert



Douglas Elliman CEO New Business Development Rick Moeser and Mitch Brown



Alison Newton with Casey and Kathie Orrico



Tommy Morrison and Paco and Gonzalo Gil