

## TRIP INFORMATION:

### Crystal Classic Sand Sculpting Festival, Siesta Key Beach

Trip leaders: Barb Alajoki, Mary Chamberlain, Jan Verhaeghe

**WHEN:** Sunday November 13th, 2022

**WHERE:** Siesta Key Beach & Crystal Classic Festival

**BUS BOARDING:** 8:00 am at Lowe's Parking Lot. Hwy 441, behind the Cracker Barrel Restaurant

**ARRIVE:** 10:30 am

**BUS BOARDING FROM SIESTA KEY BEACH HOME:** 4:45 pm

**ARRIVE TV:** 7:45 pm

**Cost:** \$37 pp (includes transportation, driver gratuity **and entry into Crystal Classic Festival**)

**All NBBC trips are Non-refundable; participate at your own risk.**

Payment and your Trip Registration form must be received by October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022. We are only sending 2 buses on this trip.

**If needed, seats will be distributed by lottery.** Notice of bus assignments will be provided by November 1<sup>st</sup>. If you are not chosen, we will contact you. If you want to ride with a spouse or a bus partner, please sign up together **with one check**.

**Only 2 members can sign up (enter lottery) together.** If you want to request seats on the same bus as other members, make sure those members are going, and make sure those member(s) also place your name on their registration form. **Read the trip registrations form and follow the instructions.** No guarantee can be given that we will match up members on bus but we do our best.

### TRIP DESCRIPTION:

The festival consists of 24 artists who converge on Siesta Key to compete in an amazing master sand sculpting competition. The sculptors create a large community carve, eight solo sculptures and eight team sculptures. Check the website to see previous sculptures. [www.siestakeycrystalclassic.com](http://www.siestakeycrystalclassic.com)

Siesta Key Beach has been voted #1 Beach on Tripadvisor. It is a beautiful broad beach with fine powder sand. Beyond the food trucks there are two concession stands, restrooms and changing rooms. This is a very broad beach and with the festival **expect a lot of walking**. Chairs/umbrella rentals are limited, we suggest you bring your own. The trolley is free and runs all day to Turtle Beach and/or Siesta Key Village. You may want to spend your beach time at Turtle Beach which could be less crowded.

### Amenities:

The barefoot beach party bar tent is open with music and a full bar. Vendor village surrounds the Sand Village and features over 81 vendors along with six food trucks. In addition, there are concession stands, bathrooms and changing rooms. Chairs and umbrellas are available for rent first come/serve.

### Transportation:

The free Siesta Key Breeze Trolley runs daily from 8 AM to 10 PM and goes to and from Siesta Key Village and Turtle Beach. There is a mobile app available to track the trolley in real time.

Snacks are allowed on the bus along with your personal water, coffee, and sodas in a spill proof container. **Masks are optional** (subject to change if county increases to high risk alert for covid).

### Info Links:

Registration forms: [northernbeachbums.org](http://northernbeachbums.org) <https://northernbeachbums.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/Trip-Registration2.pdf>

Crystal Classic Festival info: <https://www.siestakeycrystalclassic.com/>

Siesta Key Breeze Trolley Info: <https://www.siestakeychamber.com/explore-the-key/getting-around/>