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-Orlando and nation on lock down-

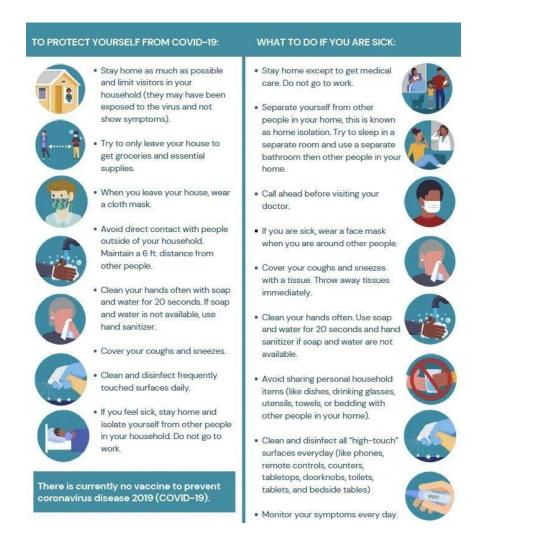
No meetings until future notice

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At this point we will be well into June before we see a significant drop in contagion chances so that some restaurants and entertainment venues could reopen. Until a vaccine, any resumption of "close contact" (auditoriums, trade shows, cruise ships, schools, fairs, churches, banquets) will be limited and some form of "social distancing" will be needed, which means no auditorium shows and sit down venues.

**Details below:** 





### When will we return to a more normal social interaction and closeness? ( Probably not soon-months away)

Intensive and socially disruptive measures are required in order to "suppress the transmission to low levels," according to Professor Neil Ferguson of Imperial College London.

"It is likely such measures — most notably, large scale social distancing — will need to be in place for many months, perhaps until a vaccine becomes available," Ferguson said in a report published March 17.

In the same report, scientists at Imperial College London estimated it could take up to 18 months, at least, to find a vaccine for COVID-19.

At present, there is no vaccination available for the coronavirus and health experts do not expect it to become available to the public for a long while.

Bill Gates says It might not be until fall 2021 that Americans "can be completely safe" from COVID-19.

"The vaccine is critical, because, until you have that, things aren't really going to be normal," the billionaire philanthropist told Reporter Judy Woodruff of PBS Newshour . "They can open up to some degree, but the risk of a rebound will be there until we have very broad vaccination."

Social distancing is helping to lower the number of COVID-19 cases. The goal, Gates explained, is to get that number down to a point where <u>"contact tracing"</u> (a process in which those within close contact with an infected person are closely monitored) can be done, in order to maintain necessary quarantines.

To understand what life in the U.S. will look like six to 12 months from now, Gates suggested China as a good model. "They are sending people back to work, but they're wearing masks. They're checking temperatures. They're not doing large sporting events. And so they have been able to avoid a large rebound," he said.

He stressed that public gatherings "may not resume until broad vaccination has taken place." Most people will still try to avoid close contact with strangers.

Beyond that, "returning to some semblance of normal," as Woodruff put it, can be predicted by watching the behaviors of other countries. Sweden, for example, isn't "locking down quite as much," so their experience will be informative, Gates explained.

Gates has been partnering with <u>The Institute for Health Metrics and Evaluation</u>, a global health research center at the University of Washington, to further understand "which policies in which countries seem to be working."

Orlando's unique problem (and that of the cruise industry) is that we are a tourist town with many visitors from all over the world, so the COVID-19 virus can always be reintroduced into our community. Mandatory testing is going to be needed for admission to any close contact venue.

Here are the latest figures.

Here is a site for a master tracker for the pandemic: <u>https://covid19.topos.com/</u>



#### Texas A&M pandemic expert: Coronavirus will have 5 stages. We're in stage 2

https://www.houstonchronicle.com/lifestyle/renew-houston/health/article/Texas-A-M-pandemic-expert-coronavirus-stages-

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Broadway Will Remain Closed at Least Until June, and Probably Longer

The 41 Broadway theaters have been closed since March 12, and industry leaders are aware that large gatherings may be among the last forms of activity to resume when the pandemic eases.



The entire industry — like so many others — is on pause, at the cost of thousands of jobs and millions of dollars.

Spring and summer programming has already been canceled in other sectors of the performing arts world — <u>all five Edinburgh festivals</u>, the Oregon Shakespeare Festival, the Jacob's Pillow dance festival, and New York nonprofits including Lincoln Center Theater and the Roundabout Theater Company. In Britain, London's West End theaters have <u>canceled all performances through May 31</u>, and in Canada, Toronto's Mirvish Theaters have <u>closed until June 30</u> "at the very earliest."

Theater presenters also expect that their stages will recover more slowly than some other parts of the economy because live performance usually involves large numbers of people getting together in confined spaces, which could be viewed as a public health risk, and theater tends to draw an older audience, which is a population particularly vulnerable to this coronavirus.

Broadway has even more challenges than other parts of the theater world: It is heavily dependent on tourism, and it is not clear when visitors from around the country and around the world will again be excited about visiting New York. And the high production costs of Broadway shows mean high ticket costs, which could be an obstacle during a recession or depression.

The League said that people who had already bought tickets for Broadway shows through June 7 should soon receive an email about refunds or exchanges; if such an email is not received by April 12, the League advises ticket holders to contact the organization or company that sold them the tickets.

The uncertain Broadway schedule has impeded the Tony Awards, which honor Broadway plays and musicals. The ceremony, originally scheduled for June 7, has been <u>postponed</u> <u>indefinitely</u>.

https://www.nytimes.com/2020/04/08/theater/broadway-shows-canceled-junecoronavirus.html?fbclid=IwAR3GEndAylZhXwQ8z\_8Gs3N4kWN0Zmcv6ZbZs7AAZzUc0mM WJ8btez7blyw

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## Disney World furloughing 43,000 workers following coronavirus shutdown

A Rebecca Falconer



Walt Disney World in Orlando, Florida, remains closed to the public because of the coronavirus threat. Photo: Alex Menendez/Getty Images

Some 43,000 unionized Disney World workers in Florida will be furloughed from April 19 because of the <u>novel coronavirus pandemic</u>, the Service Trades Council Union said in a <u>Facebook Live</u> briefing Saturday. About 200 employees will continue with work deemed essential.

**The big picture:** Disneyland and Disney World shut last month over the outbreak. The Orlando park <u>employs some 75,000 people</u> — making it the largest single-site employer in the U.S. <u>Per a memo</u> of the union deal, workers can keep benefits for up to a year and will immediately be eligible to apply for unemployment. "Disney will pay 100% of all insurance costs," the union said in a statement. "There will be no cost to any employee who's on furlough for use of their medical insurance and the continued coverage of it."

https://www.axios.com/coronavirus-disney-world-furloughs-43000-workers-3053ece4-7c5d-4e71-90cd-d523efc9b4cd.html

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# Disney World Reopening – How Long and What Changes Will Happen?

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"When will Disney World reopen?" Right now Disney World is scheduled to be closed indefinitely "until further notice." Technically that means the parks could open back up weeks or even months from now. Not only that we will likely see a lot of changes when Disney World eventually does reopen.



https://ziggyknowsdisney.com/disney-world-reopening/

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Maybe you recall a few months back when Joe brought into a meeting a Lotta Bowl that he made with his 3 D printer.

Member Joe Vecciarelli, our good citizen of the week, says,

"I've been printing, along with a ton of other Orlando 3D printers, face shield frames for Orlando area healthcare facilities and have delivered about 75 so far. I am able to make about 5-6 a day and will continue until I run out of filament or they are no longer needed"

This is a link to a time lapse video of one being made. The video is two hours of printing in less than 30 seconds.

### https://youtu.be/Yj2MN8tq9I4



# Well thank goodness the virus can't move sideways



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Like many other stage magicians around my age, I am in awe of the stage presence and style of Richiardi Jr. My late friend and illusionist, Vince Carmen felt the same.

Look at the moves and the style in turning this relatively simply stage effect into a miracle! Notice the way he milks every move and his body positions and eye connection with the audience and command of the stage.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IIEFUNLA1\_k



Richiardi Rice and Water Transposition

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Stay Safe,

Dennis