



The mural celebrates the diverse and vibrant history of Miami, paying tribute to the many communities that have contributed to its growth and development. The influx of Bahamian and Haitian migrants who left their home islands to start anew played a significant role in shaping the city's infrastructure and prosperity. Their culture and traditions can be seen in the stunning architecture and customs that define Miami's heritage.

At the heart of Miami's history lies defining moments of liberation one of them being when the black community rallied to occupy Virginia Beach, creating the very first colored beach in the country. This act of defiance marked a turning point for the black community nationwide, providing a space where black people from around the country could feel a sense of ownership and belonging. The Mc Duffie riots were calling the entire city to show up for change. The mural highlights this moment in time, honoring this powerful moment of resilience and strength, encouraging us to remember the power of collective energy and the importance of coming together to create positive change.

Towns like Overtown, once known as colored town, were a stable for black expression during times of segregation. The Lyric theater was one of the many spots where black people could let their hair down and share their love for another through music and dance attracting artist like James brown, Elle Fitzgerald, Josephine Baker to come to perform. Creating a unique energy that could not be found elsewhere.

Figures like D.A Dorsey, responsible for building the first suitable housing in Overtown for the black community, and the original owner of what we now know today as Fisher Island, are celebrated in the mural. Their contributions to the black community's development in the city of Miami are vital and unforgettable.

The mural is a celebration of Miami's rich history, vibrant culture, and unique spirit. It reminds us of the countless contributions that the community has made to the world and inspires us to work together, talk together, protect one another, and hold impactful meetings to forge a path towards a brighter, more equitable tomorrow for generations to come.