

AN INTERVIEW WITH LAURA TRANSCRIPT

Where were you born?

I was born in Havana, Cuba, and I lived there until I was about 7 years old and then I moved to Florida.

• Where do you live? Who with?

I live in a city called Pembroke Pines and Pembroke Pines is about 30 minutes by car to Miami. I live in a house with my mom and my dad.

What was your favourite subject at school?

My favorite subject in school was always Writing, Literature and Languages because I love all three.

What are your hobbies?

My hobbies are reading, writing, drawing and coding. I really enjoy doing a lot of things and I have new hobbies every couple of months.

What are your favourite sports?

My favorite sports are ice skating and volleyball. I really enjoy both of them.

• What's your favourite place in Miami?

My favorite place in Miami is Oletta State River Park. It's a big National Park and you can walk, you can bike around or you can kayak and it's huge, it takes you to little islands if you go on kayak and the waters are filled with manatees, so it's very nice.

• What's your favourite band from Miami?

My favorite band from Miami is KC and the Sunshine Band. KC and the Sunshine Band was a really big band in the seventies and it's far from my time but my mom loves KC and the Sunshine Band so I grew up listening to them.

What's your favourite place outside Miami?

My favorite place outside Miami is in Orlando, which is 5 hours away from Miami and it's Disney World. I love going to Disney World because there is a lot of rides and it makes me feel like a kid.

What are the good and bad things about Miami?

The best things about Miami are the cultures. You have a bunch of different cultures, that means that you have a lot of different foods from all over Latin America and also the museums: there are a lot of museums that have different things and I really love that.

The bad thing about Miami is how expensive it is to live there. It's very difficult to live on your own in Miami unless you have a job that pays you really well.

What are the most important attractions the city offers?

The most important attractions to me in Miami are the Viscaya House, The Morikami Museum, The Frost Art Museum and Frost Science Museum.

• Is there any typical food from Miami?

Since Miami has so many cultures, there is no one typical food but I think that when people think of Miami they mainly think of Cuba so I could say that a typical food from Miami would be Cuban food and since I'm Cuban, my parents and I eat in a lot of Cuban restaurants.

• What's the weather like in Miami?

The weather in Miami can be pretty crazy. For sure, you know that the weather is going to be always hot and humid and raining but it changes about every 5 minutes. You can go from one moment where it's extremely hot and there's sun and no clouds and in 5 minutes it looks like there's a hurricane.

• Things you like doing in Miami in summer and winter.

During the summer I love to be at the beach and I love to be at the pool. In the winter the water is colder obviously so I don't go in the water but the beach is still very nice to go and walk on.

• Invite people to come and visit the city.

If you like hot weather, good food and a lot of different cultures, then Miami is definitely the place for you, so come and visit us.