

# APCO 2020: DESTINATION FLORIDA

You'll find more than theme parks in the family vacation mecca of Orlando.

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**W**hen you hear the word Orlando, it immediately invokes images of theme parks and family fun. However, the venue for APCO 2020 has so much more to offer than theme parks. Here is a view of Orlando and its surroundings from a 30-year local.

## THE HISTORY OF THE CENTRAL FLORIDA AREA

Orange County, established in 1824, was originally named Mosquito County. If you live in the suburbs or rural parts of Florida, you understand why that name was chosen! Mosquito County encompassed the majority of Florida with what are now Volusia, Brevard, Indian River, St. Lucie, Martin, Seminole, Osceola, Orange, Lake, and Polk counties. In 1845, the name was changed to Orange County in homage to the outlying citrus

