

4 people killed by gun violence identified by New Orleans coroner

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The New Orleans coroner released names of four people fatally shot in New Orleans between Friday and Sunday.

Michael Thomas, 51, is the man who was shot and killed by an Algiers businessperson Friday morning. New Orleans police said a woman let Thomas into her business in the 1300 block of Odeon Street. When he attacked her, she pulled a gun and shot him, police said. Emergency Medical Services declared him dead there.

The coroner identified Mikia Kirton, 24, as the woman shot and killed in St. Roch Friday afternoon. Officers responded to a shooting in the 2300 block of North Galvez Street at 3:55 p.m. Kirton had been shot, and Emergency Medical Services took her to a hospital. She was later pronounced dead.

Lorenzo Cortez, 27, was shot and killed Saturday morning in Hollygrove. A report of gunfire at about 11:25 a.m. sent officers to the [3100 block of Mistletoe Street](#), where they said they found the victim unresponsive on the porch of a home. Cortez was declared dead there.

The coroner also identified Alton Williams, 21, as the valet working at the Ace Hotel downtown who was shot to death about midnight Saturday after an argument with a customer caused the two to draw guns on each other.

Carlie Kollath Wells and Ramon Vargas contributed to this report.



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