



April 10, 2012

Dining Calendar

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Autism Brunch

A brunch for people with autism and their families will be given Sunday from noon to 3 p.m. at Chez Josephine, 414 West 42nd Street. It is sponsored by Autism Friendly Spaces; children are welcome, and there is no age limit. The brunch is \$19.25, including a mimosa for adults, juice for children, plus tax and tip: (212) 594-1925.

A Rare Cookbook

Rabelais, a bookseller in Biddeford, Me., with old and rare food books, will have a booth, A-38, at this weekend's Antiquarian Book Fair at the Park Avenue Armory, 643 Park Avenue (67th Street). Among its treasures will be a first edition of "The Joy of Cooking" (think Mother's Day). The hours are noon to 8 p.m. Friday, until 7 p.m. Saturday and 5 p.m. Sunday, \$20 a person or \$40 for three days. Preview tickets, for 5 to 9 p.m. Thursday, are \$35. Tickets: sanfordsmith.com or at the door.

Umami Month

The Umami Food and Art Festival, a month of events, will start Thursday and continue through May 9, with cooking workshops, rock concerts, film programs, food and wine presentations, and discussions of experimental cuisine. The events will be at various locations in Manhattan and Brooklyn. Schedules and tickets (ranging from free to \$20): umamifestival.org.

Orthodox Easter

Greek restaurants sometimes celebrate the Orthodox Easter, this year on April 15, by spit-roasting lambs outdoors. Loi, 208 West 70th Street, will follow suit, and offer a spread of roasted lamb, hard-boiled eggs and Easter cookies to 100 elderly neighbors who are served by Citymeals-on-Wheels from noon to 1 p.m. on Sunday. After 1 p.m. the restaurant will serve a traditional dinner until 9 p.m., \$65, plus tax and tip, in wine. Reservations: (212) 875-8600.



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Benefits

There will be 50 wineries from the Willamette Valley in Oregon pouring [pinot noirs](#), pinot gris and other wines, mostly from the 2009 vintage, at City Winery, 155 Varick Street (Vandam Street), on Monday from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Some of the ticket price, \$81.75 including a fee, will benefit Riverkeeper, which helps maintain the ecology of the Hudson River: willamettewines.com.

A tasting of food by top chefs, including Tom Colicchio, April Bloomfield and Floyd Cardoz, will be held Monday from 6:30 to 9 p.m. at Studio 450, 450 West 31st Street, for Tap & Tapas, to raise money for Groove With Me, which gives free dance classes to girls in East Harlem. Tickets, \$175: taptapas2012.charityhappenings.org.

The annual Lucky Rice Festival in New York, May 1 to 6, with chefs from around the country and from abroad, will support City Harvest. A Las Vegas version, featuring the festival's popular Asian Night Market, will be on June 23 at the Cosmopolitan Las Vegas. (The Night Market in New York will be from 6 to 9 p.m. May 5 under the Brooklyn side of the Manhattan Bridge.) Tickets for New York, \$50 to \$250 depending on the event, and Las Vegas, \$88 to \$125, are at luckyrice.com. A Los Angeles Night Market is planned for Aug. 10.

Listings for the Dining Calendar should be submitted by the Friday before Wednesday publication, by using a form at nytimes.com/dining-calendar.

This article has been revised to reflect the following correction:

Correction: April 13, 2012

An earlier version of this article, using information from the restaurant Loi, incorrectly stated that the restaurant would offer free food to people 65 or older on Sunday, April 15. The free meal is available only to neighborhood residents who are served by Citymeals-on-Wheels.