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## The Village Voice's 'Choice Eats' and new food truck event 'Choice Streets'



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Village Voice's 5th Annual Tasting Event "Choice Eats" and Village Voice's New Food Truck Tasting Event "Choice Streets

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The Village Voice's fifth annual tasting event, "Choice Eats," has announced the final participating restaurants, bringing the official total number of confirmed restaurants to a record-breaking 83! Final restaurants just added include: Bowery Diner, Calyer, David's Brisket House, Egg, El Almacen, Grandaisy Bakery, Kutsher's Tribeca, and Resto.

The Village Voice is also thrilled to announce that Choice Eats 2012 will feature DJ sets by Andy Rourke of The Smiths, the legendary alt-rock band that materialized from the British independent music scene in the 1980s. Throughout the band's rise to international fame, Rourke's playing style was unmistakable on each album, adding a distinct tone that spoke to the millions that band's music reached. Since The Smiths parted ways in 1987, Andy Rourke has played and recorded with some of music's greatest performers such as Sinead O'Connor, Morrissey, The Pretenders, and Badly Drawn Boy. These days, Rourke calls New York City his home and spends his time DJing on East Village Radio and at various nightclubs around the city.

Previously announced Choice Eats restaurants include: Allswell, Ample Hills Creamery, Bep, Bi Lokma, Brooklyn Brine Co., Buka, Chinese Mirch, Court Street Grocers, Culture: An American Yogurt Company, Danny Macaroons, Dean Street, Del Posto, Despana, Dirt Candy, Ditch Plains. Doughnut Plant, Edi and the Wolf, Emvi Chocolate, Fatty 'Cue, Fay Da Bakery, Four & Twenty Blackbirds, Goat Town, Gregory's 26 Corner Taverna, Jane's Sweet Buns, Jimmy's No. 43, Joe Dough, Juliette, Kafana, Kelso Restaurant, Kuma Inn, Kumquat Cupcakery, La Galette, Littleneck, Luke's Lobster, Maima's Liberian Bistro & Bar, Mama's Food Shop, Max, Mexico Lindo, Mile End Sandwich, Mooncake Foods, Murray's Cheese, Nicky's Vietnamese Sandwiches, No. 7 Sub, Nom Wah Tea Parlor, Northeast Kingdom, Northern Spy Food Co., Nunu Chocolates, O Lavrador, Ovelia Psistaria Bar, Patacon Pisao, Peppa's Jerk Chicken, Porchetta, Quinto Quarto, Red Hook Lobster Pound, Robicelli's, S'more Bakery, SCRATCHbread, Sheep Station, Singh's Roti Shop, Smorgas Chef, Sottocasa, Sparrow Tavern, Spicy Bampa, Tanoreen, Tenpenny, Testaccio, The Blue Stove, The Good Batch, The Meatball Shop, This Little Piggy Had Roast Beef, Umi Nom, Vandaag, Xe May Sandwich Shop, Xi'an Famous Foods, and ZuZu Ramen.

This year's Choice Eats will also feature guest chef-celebrity, Ty-lor Boring, of Bravo's hit show, Top Chef Texas. Ty-lor will host a demo for all VIP ticket-holders during the VIP hour from 5:30 - 6:30 PM. "Choice Eats" will be held on Tuesday, March 13, 2012 from 6:30 - 9:30 PM at the 69th Armory on Lexington Avenue in New York City. All VIP tickets and General Admission tickets for Choice Eats have sold out.

Sponsors confirmed for Choice Eats 2012 include: Stella Artois, Hoegaarden, Leffe, Whole Foods Market, Zagat, Slow Food NY, Zagat, Southern Wines and Spirits, Great Brewers, Abita Beer, Blue Point Brewing Company, Ommegang Brewery, Oskar Blues Brewery, Sierra Nevada, Smuttynose Brewing Co., Six Point Brewery, Troegs, Asahi Beer, Gazela, Ramazzoti, Barenjager, Jagermeister, Michael Collins Irish Whiskey, Prairie Organic Vodka, Svedka, Columbia Crest, 14 Hands Vineyards, Red Diamond, Santa Christina, Ste Michelle Wine Estates, Tito's Handmade Vodka, Bulldog Gin, Superior Design Associates, Kind Bars, Hot 97 FM, Matted, Brooklyn Museum, Green Mountain Energy, WetPaint, smartwater® and Benchmarc Events.

The Village Voice has also announced its first annual "Choice Streets" Food Truck tasting event on Tuesday, April 24 from 7:00 - 10:00 PM, featuring over 25 of some of the city's favorite and highly sought-after food trucks. Set amid the backdrop of the New York Landmark - The Intrepid - attendees will feast onboard Pier 86 and enjoy an evening of fabulous food, drinks and an amazing view of New York City. Tickets for "Choice Streets" are available for sale.