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THE 13th ANNUAL FOOD FILM FESTIVAL ANNOUNCES 2019 DETAILS

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Official Food Film Festival 2019 Trailer Released Today

VIP Pre-Parties to Feature Chef Justin Bazdarich, Chef Stephen Yen, Pitmaster Matt Worgul

NY Distilling Co's The Shanty is Official Bar of the Festival Master Distiller Allen Katz to Sling Cocktails Opening Night

Festival Kicks Off with Chef Christophe Bonnegrace, Mallorcan Baker Tomeu Arbona and Tokyo Chef Kan Morieda on 10/24

Queens' Favorite Ramen Shack to Return for 1 Night Only on 10/25

Chef Alvin Cailan x George Motz Burger Pop-Up in After-Party on 10/26

Festival Closes with a Special Screening of Julie Cohen's The Sturgeon Queens and the Many Flavors of Russ & Daughters on 10/27

**NEW YORK CITY-**- The Food Film Festival<sup>™</sup> returns to New York City for its 13th straight year! The four-day Festival will feature a series of events where food and film lovers get to

Taste What They See on the Screen...right in their seats! At each event, guests are served the food from the films as they watch on the screen in the Festival theatre. That's always followed by an official Festival After-Party with more food, drinks and fun, served up by chefs and restaurants from New York City and beyond.

This year, the Festival kicks off exploring flavor intensity on Thursday, 10/24 with **Edible Adventure #017: Deep Flavor Dive.** Friday's festivities on 10/25 feature the many flavors of New York City with **Hometown Heroes: NYC**. Saturday, 10/26, celebrates the patchwork of American yum with **American Eats: Meats and Treats**. From ice cream sundaes and burgers to hallacas and catfish, taste classics from many regions of the US. Finally, the Festival closes on Sunday, 10/27, with **Sunday Schmear** a celebration of family food tradition, including a special screening of Director Julie Cohen's The Sturgeon Queens and an After-Party featuring the many flavors of Russ & Daughters.

"The intersection of food and film continues to grow and the Food Film Fest is at its epicenter. I'm confident our 13th year will be our best yet."

-George Motz, Festival Director

## OFFICIAL EVENTS OF THE 2019 FOOD FILM FESTIVAL ™

All festival events take place at the AMC Empire 25, 234 W 42nd St at 8th Ave, NYC

## Edible Adventure #017: Deep Flavor Dive

Thursday, October 24
VIP Pre-Party 6:15 pm | GA Doors 7:00 pm
GA \$75 | VIP \$100

Experience an eclectic mix of intense films, foods, and flavors from around the world.

Foods: Chef Christophe Bonnegrace (Los Angeles), Chef David Israelow (NYC), Chef Kan Morieda (Tokyo), Chef Maya Erickson (Portland), Baker Tomeu Arbona (Mallorca) Chef Aaron Unger (Brooklyn), America's Test Kitchen (America), Karl's Balls (NYC), Lion City Coffee (NYC), Max & Mina's Ice Cream, and Moffle Bar (NYC),

VIP: Chef Justin Bazdarich (Speedy Romeo / Oxomoco)

Films: Arctic Greens, Black Sesame, Chef, Distance, Ensaïmada, Sushi Origin and the Beyond, and What's Eating Dan? Garlic Bread.

## **Hometown Heroes: NYC**

Friday, October 25 VIP 6:15 pm | GA 7:00 pm GA \$100 | VIP \$125

Celebrating some of the unique and beloved chefs and restaurants that help give New York

City its one-of-a-kind flavor.

Foods: Breads Bakery, Nelson and Miguel Carrera (Mi Barrio Tortilleria), Moffle Bar, Chef Erik Ramirez (Llama Inn), Nigel Sielegar (Moon Man), Chef Aaron Unger (Night Kitchen), and Joseph Yoon (Brooklyn Bugs)

Revivals: Ramen Shack by Keizo Shimamoto, The Original Gyro by Gyro II

VIP: Chef Stephen Yen (Brooklyn)

Films: Food Curated: Brooklyn Bugs, Food Curated: Llama Inn, Food Skills: The Last Tortilla Kings of Brooklyn, Gyro II: It's The Sauce, Great Big Story: Queens - Coconut Pancakes, and Ramen Possessed

# **American Eats: Meats and Treats**

Saturday, October 26 VIP 6:15 pm | GA 7:00 pm GA \$100 | <del>VIP \$125</del> **SOLD OUT** 

It's Saturday night and it's time to party...with classic foods and intriguing people from around the USA.

Foods: Chef Alvin Cailan (NYC), Baker David Buehrer (Morningstar Donuts / Dallas), Chef Frankie Celenza (Brooklyn), Max & Mina's Ice Cream, Chef Bruce "The Alligator Man" Mitchell (Ponchatoula), Baker Sam Phan (Dallas) and Chef Aaron Unger (Night Kitchen)

Films: Bayou Brilliant, Donut People, Joe Loves Ice Cream: A Tale of Two Rivers, Struggle Meals with Frankie Celenza: Put an Egg on it, The Burger Show: The Ultimate Texas Burger Road Trip, and The Lee Chin Show: Tamale Taste Test

VIP: Pitmasters Matt Worgul (Gentle Giant / NY) / Matt Deaton (Fredericksberg, VA)

### **Sunday Schmear**

Sunday, October 27 2:00 pm \$55

Food and Family are everything in life. Join our family for the closing event of the 2019
Food Film Fest featuring two films that are light on the schmaltz but will make your heart go verklempt. Director Julie Cohen's The Sturgeon Queens celebrates New York City's beloved institution Russ & Daughters and Director Rachel Fleit's Gefilte shows how one dish brings together generations of family.

Foods: A selection of Russ & Daughters classics and the hand-crafted Hermelin Family gefilte fish recipe

Films: Gefilte, and The Sturgeon Queens

## **BEVERAGE PARTNERS**

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### **2019 NON-PROFIT BENEFICIARY**

The Food Film Festival is proud to announce the return of our non-profit beneficiary, the <a href="Billion Oyster Project">Billion Oyster Project</a> is to restore oyster reefs to the New York Harbor through public education initiatives. Working together with local communities, **Billion Oyster Project** is growing 1 billion oysters in the New York Harbor by the year 2035 to clean the water.

#### **SPONSORS**

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#### **TICKETING INFORMATION**

All Tickets and VIP Passes are all-inclusive of food, drink, theatre-seating and Festival After-Party access. Event tickets and passes are on sale now at thefoodfilmfest.com.

### **FESTIVAL-WIDE VIP PASSES**

A limited number of Festival-Wide VIP Passes are available for \$399. Passes are all-inclusive of food, drink, theatre-seating and both Pre-Party and After-Party access whenever applicable.

## **ABOUT THE FOOD FILM FESTIVAL**

The Food Film Festival<sup>™</sup>, a multisensory food and film experience based in New York City, is the only festival in the world where guests get to Taste What They See on the Screen...right in their seats! Over the course of 13 years, the Festival has hosted more than 40,000 guests from New York City to Charleston to Copenhagen. Past events include a screening of The Mud and The Blood followed by an authentic Lowcountry Oyster Roast on a rooftop in Brooklyn with 15,000 South Carolina oysters, and the World Premiere of New York Cooks for Tohoku paired with dishes from Michelin Starred Chefs Boulud, Bouley, Romano, Telepan and Tadashi Ono. In 2012, the I [heart] Japan event featured Ramen Dreams star and Ramen Burger creator, Chef Keizo Shimamoto, who cooked and served his legendary ramen in the U.S. for the 1st time ever.

Created by America's Hamburger Expert, Author and Food Filmmaker George Motz, The Food Film Festival<sup>™</sup> is a competitive film festival and Official Selections are reviewed by a judging panel comprised of esteemed members of the food and film communities. Awards are presented in 7 categories including: Best Super-Short Film, Best Short Film, Best Food Porn Film, The Audience Choice Award, The Made in New York Award, The Food Filmmaker of the Year Award and The Film Foodmaker of the Year Award.

The Food Film Festival<sup>™</sup> hosts its flagship series of events in New York City every October and has curated and produced multiple events around the country. All Festival events benefit important non-profit organizations, such as the Food Bank For New York City, The Billion Oyster Project, The Good Food Project and GrowFood Carolina.

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