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## Say Hello to the Harvest Season!

The holidays are just around the corner and so are all of the celebrations! Enjoy as the leaves fall, the trees light up, and the food flows!

◆ Winter Getaways ◆ Restaurant Openings & Hot Spots ◆ Thanksgiving ◆ Hockey ◆ Beaujolais Nouveau ◆ Football ◆ Holiday Gifts ◆ and more! ◆

## New/News

*To Open*

**Project from Grant Achatz & Nick Kokonas** (951 West Fulton Market) officially still unnamed but registered currently as “Roister”. This project comes to us from the Alinea team of Grant Achatz and Nick Kokonas. Taking the place of iNG and located adjacent to Next and The Aviary in the West Loop. It will be a far-cry from its sister restaurant and will feature tight seating, loud music, and a la carte dining with bold flavors. Achatz defines it as “rustic and refined”.

**Sugar Factory** (5445 Park Place) famous for its celebrity clients is coming to Rosemont. Located within MB Financial Park, the venue features custom candy like Couture Pops and also offers milkshakes, waffles & cocktails.

*Just Opened*

**Oak & Char** (217 West Huron) takes the place of former Graham Elliot space. Chef Joseph Heppie, formerly of Untitled, aims for big bold flavors! The menu is riddled with offers such as Tandoori Octopus with charred eggplant in a nduja vinaigrette and beef tartare with uni aioli, smoked pine nuts served with pickled pears!

**Trophy Room** (170 West Ontario) replacing District Bar, serves customers a variety of white and red pizzas! They focus on American sports as well as international sports, like futbol. Drinks are categorized by “Lightweight” “Middleweight” and “Heavyweight” with clever sport-themed names.

**The Kitchen** (316 North Clark) comes to Chicago from Colorado’s Front Range Restaurant Group! Stemming from 100 “learning gardens” around Chicago schools, they brought their farm-to-table concept to River North!

**Contact your CUI Concierge to arrange a VIP dinner for business or pleasure! Let us be *At Your Service* for all of your dining needs!**

## We Recommend

**Silversmith Hotel** (10 South Wabash) a boutique hotel in the heart of downtown Chicago has been newly renovated to create a distinct travel experience. Sophisticated travelers will love the incredible location one block from Millennium Park and just steps from cosmopolitan dining, shopping, and nightlife destinations. Blending contemporary design elements with historic architecture, each of their spacious hotel rooms features 12-foot ceilings. A rare gem in the Windy City, the refined Silversmith Hotel is a sparkling new choice boasting contemporary, spacious guest rooms and alluring lounge service.

**Receive preferred rates when you contact your CUI concierge!**



**Tavern on Rush** (1031 North Rush) is an upscale, contemporary American Steakhouse offering an extensive menu of Classic American fare, including only the finest USDA prime aged steaks and chops, fresh fish and seafood and unique daily specials.

**Contact your CUI Concierge today for reservations or book a private party at great eateries around the city and world!**

## Wine Insight

View our “Wine Insights” at [www.conciergeunlimited.com](http://www.conciergeunlimited.com)

## Arts/Museums

*opens*

1	<b>Strokes of Genius</b>	Art Institute
1	<b>Diary of Elizabeth and James Dixon</b>	Art Institute
7	<b>Vodou: Sacred Powers of Haiti</b>	Field Museum
13	<b>Christmas Around the World &amp; Holidays of Light</b>	MSI
11	<b>Anne Collier</b>	MCA
11	<b>Bridget Riley</b>	Art Institute
15	<b>Breakfast with the President</b>	MSI
20	<b>Adler After Dark: Galactic Gastronomy</b>	Adler Planetarium
22	<b>Holiday Thorne Rooms</b>	Art Institute

*through*

2	<b>Simon Starling: Metamorphology</b>	MCA
2	<b>CHGO DSGN</b>	Chicago Cultural Center
10	<b>De ou par Rene Magritte</b>	Art Institute
13	<b>Beyond Beauty</b>	Art Institute
1/4	<b>David Bowie Is</b>	MCA

*Ongoing*

<b>Of Gods and Glamour</b>	Art Institute
<b>The Machine Inside</b>	Field Museum

*Museum Free Dates*

<b>Art Institute:</b> 6, 13, 20, 27 (Thursdays)
<b>Chicago Children’s Museum:</b> 2, 6, 13, 20, 27 (15 years & Under)
<b>DuSable Museum:</b> 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 (Sundays)
<b>Museum of Contemporary Art:</b> 4, 8, 11, 18, 25 (Tuesdays)
<b>Museum of Science &amp; Industry:</b> 3, 5

## Ballet/Dance

*opens*

13-15	<b>SpinOff: The Sun King</b>	Chicago Cultural Center
21-22	<b>Fall Engagement: Visceral Dance</b>	Harris Theater
22	<b>The Sun King</b>	Millennium Park

## Children/Family

*opens*

1&2	<b>Dancing Pros: Live</b>	Cadillac Theatre
15	<b>Book Making: Recycled Pamphlets</b>	Lurie Gardens
19	<b>Ringling Bros. &amp; Barnum &amp; Bailey: Legends</b>	Allstate Arena
21	<b>Science Snoozeum</b>	MSI

*through*

2	<b>International Children’s Film Festival</b>	FACETS
1/28	<b>Disney’s Frozen On Ice</b>	United Center

## Classical/Symphony

*at Ravinia*

1	<b>Brown-Urioste-Canellakis Trio</b>
8	<b>Music from Malboro</b>
15	<b>Anthony Molinaro: A Beatles Tribute</b>

*at Symphony Center*

2	<b>China NCPA Orchestra with Yuja Wang</b>
7&8	<b>Dvorak New World Symphony</b>
19	<b>Mutter Plays The Four Seasons</b>
20-25	<b>Bach Brandenburg Concertos</b>
28-30	<b>Pixar in Concert</b>

## Opera

### at Lyric

1	<b>60th Anniversary Concert and Diamond Ball</b>
17	<b>Porgy and Bess</b> , <i>Gershwin</i>
22	<b>A Wondrous Sound: The Lyric Opera Chorus Celebrates A New Season</b>
<i>through</i>	
29	<b>Il Trovatore</b> , <i>Verdi</i>

## Theatre

### opens

4	<b>Dee Snider's Rock &amp; Roll Christmas Tale</b>	Broadway Playhouse
12	<b>Lookingglass Alice</b>	Lookingglass Theatre
15	<b>A Christmas Carol</b>	Goodman Theatre
18	<b>Annie</b>	Cadillac Palace
19	<b>A Q Brothers' Christmas Carol</b>	Shakespeare Theater
22	<b>Hansel &amp; Gretel</b>	Broadway Playhouse
28	<b>Ghost Brothers of Darkland County</b>	Oriental Theater
20-29	<b>How The Grinch Stole Christmas</b>	Chicago Theatre
30	<b>Pericles</b>	Shakespeare Theater

### through

9	<b>King Lear</b>	Shakespeare Theater
16	<b>The Night Alive</b>	Steppenwolf

### open run

<b>Blue Man Group</b>	Briar Street Theatre
<b>Million Dollar Quartet</b>	Apollo Theatre
<b>Apes of Wrath</b>	Second City ETC

Let your CUI Concierge arrange the perfect seat for your favorite performance at preferred pricing.

## Sneak Previews

12/6	<b>Johnny Mathis</b>	Rosemont Theatre
12/6	<b>B96 Jingle Bash</b>	Allstate Arena
12/6	<b>MythBusters: Behind The Myths</b>	Cadillac Palace
12/6	<b>The Nights We Stole Christmas</b>	Aragon Ballroom
12/5	<b>Nutcracker</b>	Auditorium Theatre
12/8	<b>Justin Timberlake</b>	United Center
12/9	<b>Tusuf/Cat Stevens</b>	Chicago Theatre
12/9	<b>I Love Lucy Live on Stage</b>	Bank of America Theatre
12/10	<b>Newsies</b>	Oriental Theater
12/11	<b>Bob Seger</b>	United Center
12/12	<b>Brian Regan</b>	Chicago Theatre
12/12	<b>Sister Hazel</b>	House of Blues
12/13	<b>Dave Koz &amp; Friends Christmas Tour</b>	Chicago Theatre
12/13	<b>50 Shades! The Musical Parody</b>	Broadway Playhouse
12/16	<b>Cinderella</b>	Cadillac Palace
12/17-21	<b>Cirque Dreams Holiday</b>	Chicago Theatre
12/18	<b>103.5 KISS FM Jingle Ball 2014</b>	Allstate Arena
12/27	<b>Trans-Siberian Orchestra</b>	Allstate Arena
1/20	<b>Stomp</b>	Bank of America Theatre
1/23	<b>Sam Smith</b>	UIC Pavilion
2/11	<b>West Side Story</b>	Drury Lane Theatre
2/11	<b>Unique Voices</b>	Auditorium Theatre
2/17-18	<b>John Mellencamp</b>	Chicago Theatre
2/24	<b>The Book of Mormon</b>	Bank of America Theatre

Contact your CUI Concierge for top tickets to all upcoming events!

## Concert/Rock/Blues/Jazz

1	<b>Relient K - 10th Anniversary</b>	House of Blues
1	<b>George Lopez</b>	Chicago Theatre
2	<b>Ne-Yo</b>	House of Blues
6	<b>Ina Garten: The Barefoot Contessa</b>	Auditorium Theatre
7	<b>Jason Mraz</b>	Chicago Theatre
7	<b>Eat to the Beat</b>	Harris Theater
8-10	<b>Bob Dylan</b>	Cadillac Palace
11	<b>B.O.B. with Kevin Gates</b>	House of Blues
12	<b>An Evening with Chrissie Hynde</b>	Chicago Theatre
14	<b>Chicago Jazz Philharmonic</b>	Auditorium Theatre
14	<b>Stevie Wonder</b>	United Center
15	<b>Bill Cosby</b>	Rosemont Theatre
15	<b>Melissa Etheridge</b>	Cadillac Palace
15	<b>Anthony Molinaro: A Beatles Tribute</b>	Ravinia
14	<b>Aida Cuevas &amp; Mariachi Reyna De Los Angeles</b>	Auditorium Theatre
16	<b>Craig Ferguson</b>	Chicago Theatre
17	<b>Usher</b>	United Center
20	<b>Chase Rice</b>	House of Blues
20	<b>Gilbert Gottfried</b>	Zanies Comedy Club
20	<b>Shaggy</b>	Cubby Bear
21	<b>Jerry Seinfeld Live</b>	Rosemont Theatre
21	<b>T.I.</b>	UIC Pavilion
22	<b>Blue October</b>	House of Blues
24-25	<b>Wiz Khalifa</b>	House of Blues
12/3	<b>Andrea Bocelli</b>	Allstate Arena
12/5	<b>Trailer Park Boys</b>	Chicago Theatre
12/6	<b>Ariana Grande: Jingle Bash</b>	Allstate Arena

## Sports

<b>Blackhawks</b>	<b>Bears</b>	<b>Vikings</b>	<b>Buccaneers</b>
2	<b>Jets</b>	16	
7	<b>Capitals</b>	23	
9	<b>Sharks</b>		
11	<b>Lightning</b>		
16	<b>Stars</b>		
<i>also...</i>			
1-2	<b>Breeders' Cup</b>	Los Angeles, CA	
2	<b>NYC Marathon</b>	New York, NY	
27-30	<b>ATP Championship</b>	Rio de Janeiro, Brazil	
12/20	<b>CBS Sports Classic</b>	United Center	
4/30-5/2	<b>NFL Draft</b>	Auditorium Theatre	

## Special/Seasonal

2	<b>Daylight Savings Time Ends @2:00am</b>	Nationwide
5-6	<b>Improvised Jazz</b>	Chicago Cultural Center
6	<b>Full Moon Dinner Cruise</b>	Navy Pier
7	<b>SOFA Art + Design Fair</b>	Navy Pier
8	<b>Christmas Traditions</b>	Macy's on State Street
10	<b>Beyond the Aria</b>	Millennium Park
14	<b>McCormick Tribune Ice Skating Rink Opens</b>	Millennium Park
20	<b>Chicago Food Film Festival</b>	Kendall College
20	<b>Passport to France</b>	Union League Club of Chicago
21	<b>Christkindlmarket</b>	Daley Plaza
21-23	<b>Randolph Street Holiday Market</b>	Randolph Street
22	<b>Magnificent Mile Lights Festival</b>	Michigan Avenue
25	<b>UL Santa House</b>	Daley Plaza
27	<b>McDonald's Thanksgiving Parade</b>	State Street

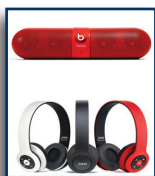


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# Holiday Party Necessities

The holiday season is quickly approaching! That means one thing: Presents!



Atlas Crystal Bowl  
Ballpoint Pen & Pencil Set in Chrome  
Bloomingdale's Gift Card  
Beats by Dre (Headphones & Speakers)  
Business Card Paperweight in Crystal



Champagne Flutes  
Coffee-Themed Gift Basket  
Cookie Gift Basket  
Crystal Candlestick Holder  
Engraved Picture Frame  
Ice Bucket in Crystal with Handles



iHealth Activity & Sleep Timer  
Italian Cooking Set  
Macaroon Tasting Box  
Martini Glasses in Hand-blown Glass  
Mophie Juicepack Powerstation Mini  
Rock-cut Beer Mug in Crystal  
Tea Tasting Box  
Waterford Wine Glass & Decanter Collection

For more details on catering, decorations, venues and how to obtain preferred rates on these & other great gifts contact your CUI Concierge!

## Le Beaujolais Nouveau Dinner Thursday, November 20th, 2014

Le Beaujolais Nouveau est arrivé! Beaujolais Nouveau is back and it's time to celebrate at one of these great eateries! To read the full story on Le Beaujolais Nouveau visit [Concierge Unlimited's Wine Insight](#) page!

### Beaujolais Nouveau Tastings & Dinners

**Chicago French Market**  
131 North Clinton

**La Sardine**  
111 North Carpenter

**Bistronomic**  
840 North Wabash

**Trouquet**  
111 West Huron

**Brasserie by LM**  
800 South Michigan

**The Brixton**  
5420 North Clark

**Cyrano's Farm Kitchen**  
546 North Wells

### 12th Annual Wine Fest in Downtown La Grange

**Nickson's Eatery**  
30 South La Grange

**Bella Bacino's**  
36 South La Grange

**Francesca's Bellezza**  
75 South La Grange

**Santiago's**  
22 West Calendar

**Prasino**  
90 South La Grange

**Palmer Place**  
56 South La Grange

**Vino E Birra**  
18 West Burlington

Contact your CUI Concierge for reservations to the Beaujolais Nouveau Dinner of your choice and enjoy the 3rd Thursday in November!

For more event information, VIP restaurant & hotel accommodations or top tickets, contact Concierge Unlimited International, your time-saving concierge service and resource for local, national, and international needs.

## Travel Abroad: All Around The World

The snow is about to fall, the lights are being hung, and the crisp air is begging to be broken! It is hot chocolate by a roaring fire, ski, and snowboard time! Hit the slopes within the American mountain ranges, or head over seas for adventurous slopes and scenic views!

### Winter Getaways

#### France



**What:** Le Hameau Albert 1er  
**Where:** Chamonix, France  
**Best For:** Adrenaline junkies who like their mountains big

#### Montana



**What:** The Gallatin Gateway Inn  
**Where:** Bozeman, Montana  
**Best For:** Diehard skiers who wear their duct tape with pride (and beginners who look forward to doing the same someday)

#### Switzerland



**What:** The Mont Cervin Palace  
**Where:** Zermatt, Switzerland  
**Best For:** Photographers with a taste for old-world culture and never-ending descents

#### Canada



**What:** The Lizard Creek Lodge  
**Where:** Fernie, British Columbia  
**Best For:** Adventurous skiers with a hunger for the steep and deep

#### Alaska



**What:** Alyeska Resort  
**Where:** Girdwood, Alaska  
**Best For:** Off-the-beaten-path powder hounds with an aversion to glamour!

Contact your CUI concierge for more ski resorts, and winter-getaways for your chilly travel options!



# THANKSGIVING

**McDonald's Thanksgiving Day Parade** **Wonderland Express**  
 Thursday, Nov. 27, 2014 at 8:00am CST Friday, Nov. 28, 2014  
 Congress to Randolph on State Street Chicago Botanic Gardens

**Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade** **23rd Annual Wreathing of the Lions**  
 Thursday, Nov. 27, 2014 at 8:00am CST Friday, Nov. 28, 2014  
 New York City, NY The Art Institute

**Lincoln Park Turkey Trot** **Zoo Lights**  
 Thursday, Nov. 27, 2014 at 8:30am Friday, Nov. 28, 2014  
 Fullerton and Cannon Lincoln Park Zoo

**Whether you have guests coming from out of town, or just celebrating with those nearby, don't miss Thanksgiving Weekend activities!**

## We APP solutely Love Appetizers



### Salmon Crostini

This is perfect for vegetarian guests and transitions as a light starter for your heavy meal! Lox or cooked salmon on a crusty piece of bread with a dollop of crème fraîche garnished with mint.



### Cucumber & Zucchini Rolls

Super simple and appealing to the mouth and eyes! Zucchini or cucumber rolled up in to bite-sized pieces, filled with a cream cheese and chive stuffing!



### Sweet & Spicy Shrimp

Skip the boring shrimp and cocktail sauce and serve some shrimp tossed with honey, lime and chili with a pico de gallo dipping salsa!



### Bacon Wrapped Dates

Velvety, luxurious and sure to be eaten up fast! Soft and juicy dates wrapped in crisp bacon is indulgent but worth it to be in your holiday spread!

**Need some spectacular starters for your holiday dinner but don't have the time to cook the bird and wrap the dates? Contact your CUI concierge for assistance with holiday catering options!**

## Key Reasons Clients Rely on CUI!

**CUI welcomes out-of-town guests!**  
*A client contacted their CUI concierge in need of hosting a very VIP breakfast meeting as part of their presentation. They wanted a custom menu and had many special requests that required an eye for the details! Their CUI concierge got right on it, procuring a caterer that could handle the specific menu details as well as have it on-site at the appropriate time.*

**Get creative and healthy fast with your CUI Concierge!**  
*The client contacted their CUI concierge in need of healthy gift basket options for a present. Their CUI concierge got to work straight away coming up with a multitude of options for the client to choose from! Even with strict parameters their concierge was able to cultivate a list to impress any gift-recipient! The client absolutely loved the variety of options and looks forward to using Concierge for all of their holiday needs!*



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## Suggestions to the Editor

We invite your suggestions for future issues of *Cultural Update*. Are there cultural events you would like us to highlight? Do you have feedback about a restaurant or event that we have recommended? Let us know what you think! Please feel free to contact the editor via email at [cucommunications@conciergeunlimited.com](mailto:cucommunications@conciergeunlimited.com) or by phone at (312) 220-0500.