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Happy Valentine's Day from Concierge Unlimited International!

- ◆ Secure **Hotel certificates or accomodations** at preferred savings of up to 50% off at top hotels such as the Trump Chicago, the Peninsula Hotel...
- ◆Arrange unique gifts from **Tiffany & Co., Bloomingdale's,** and more.
- ◆Procure **Spa Certificates** or book a day of pampering and relaxation.
- ♦ Select decadent chocolates, fabulous flowers, and **personalized gift baskets.**
- ◆Enjoy a dinner or brunch with VIP reservations at a restaurant.
- \blacklozenge Procure top tickets to theatre, concerts, ballet, opera, and more for a special night out for two.

New/News

Japonais by Morimoto (600 West Chicago Avenue) a Chicago, Japanese cuisine hot spot has taken on a new interior, a new omakase menu, and Iron Chef, Masaharu Morimoto. The newly designed restaurant now includes a sushi bar and two private dining rooms that seat up to 15 people. One of the most unique attributes of the new Japonais is the open kitchen that will allow patrons to witness the culinary talents of Morimoto.

Joe Fish (445 North Dearborn Street) Rosebud Restaurants is hooked on a new concept! Joe Fish is an Italian-inspired seafood restaurant located in the heart of River North. Veteran Chef Joe Farina has created an elegant menu focused on the freshest seafood flown in daily and prepared simply and tastefully in the spirit of Italian and Mediterranean cuisine. A fully stocked shellfish bar and stainless steel kettles steaming with fresh clams are sure to attract your senses and appetite! Serving local craft beers, the finest wines and signature cocktails, Joe Fish is the place you'll be sure to find the locals in the "know" and visitors that want to be! Joe Fish....Get hooked, and check out Rosebud Restaurants website for more details.

Call your CUI Concierge to arrange a perfect outing for your February event!

We Recommend

Vertigo Sky Lounge Ice Bar

A bar made entirely of ice, adorned with "ice taxidermy", ice furniture and s'more stations! This magnificant winter gem can be found atop Vertigo Sky Lounge. Grab a specialty winter drink, like a Hot Toddy, or enjoy the fire pits at a VIP table. **The bar is open till March, weather permitting**.



Gibson's Bar & Steakhouse

Looking for the perfect steak, impressively enormous desserts, and flowing drinks? Head over to Gibson's for a famously large martini, and USDA Prime Steak. The menu also features fresh seafood, lobster, and extensive wine list. Open everyday from 11am-3pm for lunch and 3pm to Midnight for dinner, located at 1028 North Rush Street.

Have your CUI Concierge take care of your VIP table reservation!

Wine Insight

View our "Wine Insights" at www.conciergeunlimited.com

Arts/Museums

opens 24	Christopher Williams: The Production Line of Happiness	Art Institute
through		
23	Dreams and Echoes	Art Institute
3/1	Black Creativity Innovation Studio	MSI
3/2	The Surrealists	Philadelphia, PA
3/9	Ed Clark	Art Institute
3/9	The Way of the Shovel	MCA
3/23	Outside the Lines	Houston, TX
3/30	Isaac Julien:	Art Institute
	The Long Road to Mazatlan	
3/30	John Ronan's Poetry Foundation	Art Institute
4/15	Harris Bank Chicago: Lilli Carré	MCA
5/4	Treasures of the Walt Disney Archives	MSI
6/15	MCA DNA: Warhol and Marisol	MCA

ongoing

Chicago: Crossroads of America Chicago History Museum **Great Cities, Great Lakes, Great Basin** Chicago Architecture Foundation

Ballet/Dance

opens		
2	JEWELS	New York, NY
17	A Look Inside Urban Movements	Columbia College
12-23	Joffrey Ballet: Contemporary	Auditorium Theatre
19-20	Third Symphony of Gustav Mahler	Harris Theater
20-22	Compagnie Käfig	Columbia College
23	Manon	Shiga, Japan
24	Raphael Xavier	Columbia College
26	Le Corsaire pas de deux	Tokyo, Japan
27	Constellation	Harris Theater
28	Collaboration with Edgar Meyer	Harris Theater

Children/Family

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9	Disney on Ice	United Center
l1	Romona Quimby	Apollo Theatre
12	Winter Wonderfest	Navy Pier
l6	The True Story of the 3 Little Pigs	Lifeline Theater
22	Number the Stars	Merle Reskin Theatre
3/16	The Little Prince	Lookingglass Theatre
3/25-30	Dinosaur Zoo Live!	Broadway Playhouse
3/30	The Teddy Bears Picnic	Emerald City's Little Theatre

Classical/Symphony

opens		
7	Gidon Kremer and Kremerata Baltica	Harris Theater
3/2-3/3	Handel & Bach Italian Style	Music of the Baroque

at Symphony Center

1	Riccardo Muti and Yo-Yo Ma
6-8	Riccardo Muti Conducts Schubert Mass in A-flat
16	Beyond the Score: Mr. Haydn Goes to London
21	Emanuel Ax & Yo-Yo Ma: The Brahms Project
28	CHICAGO with the Chicago Symphony Orchestra

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1	Shrek the Musical	Pick-Staiger Hall
14	The Romantic Music of Chopin	Pick-Staiger Hall

Opera: 2014 Season

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1-28	The Barber	of Seville,	Gioachino	Rossini
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Queenie Pie, Duke EllingtonRusalka, Antonín Dvořák

3/5 **La Clemenza di Tito,** Mozart

3/19 Reneé Fleming and Jonas Kaufmann Recital

Theatre

opens	
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6	Russian Transport	Steppenwolf Theatre
6	Gypsy	Chicago Shakespeare Theatre
8	Buzzer	Goodman Theatre
10	Spirit of the Wild	Goodman Theatre
11	The Second City's 102nd Revue	Second City
22	A Midsummer Night's Dream	Chicago Shakespeare Theatre

25-3/2 **Chicago**Bank of America Theatre

The Gospel of Lovingkindness Victory Gardens

through

15	Tribes	Steppenwolf Theatre
23	Luna Gale	Goodman Theatre
23	The Golden Dragon	Victory Gardens
3/2	Phantom of the Opera	Cadillac Theatre
3/16	The Little Prince	Lookingglass Theatre

open run

Blue Man Group Million Dollar QuartetBriar Street Theatre
Apollo Theatre

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

Sneak Previews

3/1	Blackhawks vs Penguins	Soldier Field
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Mardi Gras	New Orleans, LA
3/8 •	Kings of Leon	United Center
3/8-4/13 \	Venus in Fur	Goodman Theatre
3/16	Celtic Woman	Chicago Theatre
4/2-13	Peter and the Starcatcher	Bank of America Theatre
4/22-7/13	Motown the Musical	Oriental Theatre
5/15	AVICII	Allstate Arena
6/20 E	Bruno Mars	First Midwest Bank Amphithearter
7/4-7/5	Dave Matthews Band	Northerly Island
7/7	Cher	Allstate Arena
7/11 L	Lady Gaga	United Center
7/12 J	ourney and Steve Miller Band	First Midwest Bank Amphithearter
7/18	Billy Joel	Wrigley Field
	Katy Perry	United Center
8/29-30	One Direction	Soldier Field
8/31 L	Luke Bryan	Soldier Field

Concert/Rock/Blues/Jazz

Radfish: A Tribute to Sublime	House of Blues
	Kingston Mines
Falling in Reverse	House of Blues
Zac Brown Band	BMO Harris Bank Cente
2 Chainz & Pusha T	The Chicago Theatre
Dr. Dog	Riviera Theatre
Sixteen Candles-10 Year Anniversar	y House of Blues
Karmin (VIP Available)	House of Blues
Heather McDonald	Zanies Comedy Club
Justin Timerberlake	United Center
Dropkick Murphys	Riviera Theatre
Sting & Paul Simon	Chicago Theater
Lady Antebellum	Allstate Arena
Wayne Brady	The Chicago Theatre
Miley Cyrus	Allstate Arena
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Sports

Blackhawks	Bulls
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	@ San Jose	1	@ New Orleans
}	@ Los Angeles	3	@ Sacramento
5	@ Anaheim	4	@ Phoenix
7	@ Phoenix	6	@ Oakland
27	@ NY Rangers	9	@ LA Lakers
		11	Philadelphia
ub	S	13	LA Lakers
27	Arizona	19	@ Toronto

28 @ LA Angels 21 Denver 23 @ Miami

Sox 25 @ Atlanta 28 @ LA Dodgers 26 Golden State 28 @ Dallas

also...

2 Super Bowl XLVIII East Rutherford, NJ
7-23 Winter Olympics Sochi, Russia
2/1-3/1 Six Nations: Rugby Championship Various
2/26-3/2 World Track Championship Cali, Colombia

Special/Seasonal

2	Chinese New Year Parade	Chinatown
4-28	UIC Celebrates Black History Month	UIC
8-9	Snow Days	Navy Pier
8-17	Chicago Auto Show	McCormick Place
11-16	Chicago Theatre Week	Multiple Venues
14	Art Institute Valentine's Day Dinne	r Art Institute
14-15	Valentine's Dinner Cruise	Navy Pier
20-23	Elmhust College Jazz Festival	Elmhurst College
21-23	Intl. Kennel Club Chicago Dog Shov	McCormick Place
22	Mardi Gras Pub Crawl	Wrigleyville

through

6	Restaurant Week	Various
3/2	Ice Skating at Lincoln Park Zoo	Lincoln Park Zoo
3/9	McCormick Tribute Ice Rink	Millenium Park
3/10	Vertigo Sky Lounge: Ice Bar	Vertigo Sky Lounge

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





Sochi, Russia February 6th-23rd



Alpine Skiing

February 6th-22nd

Biathlon

February 8th-22nd

Bobsled

February 16th-23rd

Cross-Country

February 8th-23rd

Curling

February 10th-21st

Figure Skating

February 6th-20th

Freestyle Skiing

February 6th-21st

Hockey

February 8th-20th

Luge

February 8th-13th

Nordic Combined

February 12th-20th

Short Track

February 10th-21st

Skeleton

February 13th-15th

Ski Jumping

February 9th-17th

Snowboarding

February 6th-22nd

Speed Skating

February 8th-22nd

Where to Watch the 2014 Super Bowl

John Barleycorn (Downtown) 149 Kinzie St. Chicago, IL

World Sports Grille 731 Westlake Ave N Seattle, WA

Sports Column 1930 Black Street Denver, CO

Butterfield 8 5 E. 38th Street NewYork, NY **American Junkie** 15 W. Illinois Street Chicago, IL

MetLife Stadium 1 MetLife Stadium Drive East Rutherford, NJ

Brü Haus 11831 Wilshire Blvd Los Angeles, CA

Dick O' Dows 160 W. Maple Rd Birmingham, MI

Super Bowl XLVIII

Seattle Seahawks VS. Denver Broncos 7:30 p.m./6:30c February 2nd, 2014 MetLife Stadium, East Rutherford, NJ

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: The Finer Things

If your business or personal life takes you overseas this February, contact your CUI concierge for reservations and recommendations on the best each city has to offer; from Michelin Star rated restaurants and high-end boutique hotels, to the latest art exhibitions.

When In Rome

J.K. Place

Luxury Hotel Roma

Via di Monte D'Oro, 30, 00186 Roma, Italy

The perfect place to relax while you travel. The J.K. Place is a new level of luxury, balancing atop a five star rating. The hotel features the trendy J.K. Cafe, making your stay not only comfortable but convenient. The lush hotel also houses event rooms, catered to your liking and needs for family or business events.

Museo-Atelier Canova Tadolini Art

Via del Babuino 150A/B, 00187, Roma, Italy

This establishment combines food with culture. The restaurant was originally the studio of Antonio Canova and Adamo Tadolini, two renowned Neoclassical sculptors. Enjoy dishes such as market-fresh octopus, gnocchetti with pesto and pachino, and tiramisu. While you take delight in your traditional italian fare, feast your eyes on the sculptors that decorate the entire space from floor to ceiling.

Metamorfosi Dining

Via Giovanni Antonelli 30/32, 00197, Roma, Italy
Michelin Starred Metamorfosi is an Italian gem! Known for its clean
design and modern cuisine, Metamorfosi is a masterpiece in the
hands of Chef Roy Caceres. Experience inventive dishes, ranging
from red rice with creamy blue monviso, to more complex dishes like
Comacchio eel with a crushed barley and carp gelatin. It is a dining
experience that will wow your family and professional guests alike!

Teatro dell'Opera Entertainment

Piazza Beniamino Gigli, 7, 00187 Roma, Italy

This magnificant ode to Italy's culture and its thriving modernization, Teatro dell'Opera is a decadent way to spend an evening in the city of Rome. The Teatro dell'Opera is home to an array of Italian operas, ballets, and concerts. In the month of February you can experience shows such as: L'enfant et les sortileges, Manon Lescaut and Petite Messe Solennelle.

Contact your CUI concierge for additional events around the city and globe! Let us help make your excursion, simple and satisfying.

Flowers for Every Occasion

Save yourself the time it takes to find the perfect flower or gift and contact Concierge Unlimited to make your Valentine's Day memorable! Special pricing on flowers, as well as gifts from **Tiffany & Co.** and **Bloomingdale's** available!

The Perfect Flower for Every Meaning

♦Friendship

Geranium Ivy Yellow Roses

♦Love

Heliotrope Orange Blossoms Red Roses

♦ Sympathy

Lemon Balm White Roses Willow

♦I'm Sorry

Daffodil Purple Hyacinth White Chrysanthemum

♦ Thanks/Gratitude

Campanula Deep Pink Rose Sweet Pea

◆ Encouragement

Basil Galax Goldenrod

Chicago Restaurant Week Spotlight

Chicago Restaurant Week is in full force and ends on **Thursday, February 6th**. Here is a look at some Chicago Classics' Restaurant Week menus! Contact your Concierge for reservations, at your convenience, to experience a Restaurant Week you will never forget!

- **♦ Carmine's**
- **♦ Centro Ristorante**
 - **♦**Balena
 - **♦ Embeya**
- ♦ Hugo's Frog Bar & Fish House
 - **♦ Bistronomic**
 - **♦** Mercadito
- ♦ The Lobby at The Peninsula Chicago
 - **♦ Rosebud Prime**
 - **♦ Pump Room**

Museum Free Days

Illinois residents enjoy free admission to museums on the following dates:

Art Institute: 6, 13, 20, 27 (Thurs 5pm-8pm)

Chicago History Museum: All days excluding Saturdays

Chicago Children's Museum: 6, 13, 20, 27 (Thursdays 5pm-8pm)

DuSable Museum: 2, 9, 16, 23 (Sundays)

Field Museum: 3, 4, 5, 6, 11, 12, 13, 18, 19, 24, 25, 26, 27 Museum of Contemporary Art: 4, 11, 18, 25 (Tuesdays) Museum of Science & Industry: 4, 11, 18, 25 (Tuesdays)

Key Reasons Clients Rely on CUI!

Making Valentine's Day a possibility with CUI! A client contacted CUI about a nearly impossible reservation request, but not for CUI! At Tavernita, on Valentine's weekend the client was eager to find a table. The helpful concierge at CUI secured a table for the client, at the time they requested to dine. The dedication of the concierge helped to ensure the client had the experience they asked of for their special evening.

ast minute Valentine's Day Requests are no match for CUI Team!

A client contacted concierge the day before Valentine's Day and requested a reservation at popular restaurant, Nellcote. Our concierge was able to obtain that reservation for the client, ensuring a Valentine's Day to remember. She even provided the client and his girlfriend with flowers and a gift upon their arrival to the venue.

Contact your time-saving concierge today to ensure a spectacular Valentine's Day!



Save your valuable time and let us be At Your Service.

- ♦ Catering & Corporate Dinners ♦
 - ♦ Entertainment ♦
 - ♦ Favorable Hotel Rates ♦
 - ♦ Flowers & Unique Gifts ♦
- ♦ VIP Restaurant Reservations ♦
- ♦ Private & Corporate Events ♦
- ♦ Top Tickets: Theatre, Sports, Concerts & more ♦
 - ♦ Travel & Transportation ♦

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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 cuicommunications@conciergeunlimited.com or by phone at (312) 220-0500.