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Concierge Unlimited Instant Breakfast! A busy client had a large group arriving for a last-minute breakfast meeting and realized that they had not ordered any breakfast! Lucky for him, one call to your CUI Concierge and all was arranged. CUI immediately reached out to our network of resources and had a wonderful setup delivered for the group of 40 people within 30 minutes.

CUI is here to save your day in the nick of time!

We Recommend

Chuan Spa is an oasis of tranquility in the heart of Chicago. The soothing setting inspires contemplation and introspection as you embark upon a journey designed to balance the mind, body and soul. The foundation of the Chuan Spa signature treatments is Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM) and the five elemental forces of wood, fire, earth, metal and water.

Have your CUI Concierge take care of your reservation and make it a relaxation!

New/News

◆ **The Montgomery Club** is a new event space from the Gibsons Restaurant Group located in Chicago's River North neighborhood. Available for holiday celebrations and formal events, the Montgomery Club, which opened this past June, has a large dining area at 8,000 square feet, large enough to accommodate up to 1,000 guests. Food options can be customized through combinations of dishes from any of Gibsons restaurants (Hugo's Frog Bar & Fish House, LUXBAR, Quartino, Gibsons Bar & Steakhouse).

Contact your CUI Concierge to plan and secure your holiday event at The Montgomery Club or a venue of your choice!

◆ **The Dawson**, located at 730 W. Grand, is the newest Billy Lawless Venture in Chicago. The dining room has a U-shaped cocktail bar on each floor and diners are able to watch Mr. De Leon at work in the open kitchen behind an old-fashioned zinc bar. Outside is an ambitious 150-seat patio with bar, fireplace, communal tables and lounge area.

Let your CUI Concierge secure a VIP treatment for you!

◆ **Baffo at Eataly** is slated to open in late November. The 65-seat white-table-cloth restaurant will be similar to Babbo, Mario Batali and Joe Bastianich's original restaurant in New York City. Batali is designing the menus and hiring on one of his longtime chefs, Eli Anderson, to run the kitchen.

Let your CUI Concierge book your VIP reservation!

◆ **Bloomingdale's** is offering exciting new options for their corporate holiday gifts line by collaborating with vendors such as Magnolia Bakery, Sharper Image, Kate Spade, Baccarat, Godiva, Kiehl's and many more!

Contact your CUI Concierge today to secure the perfect business or personal holiday gift at our favorable rates!

Wine Insight

For Wine Insight, visit www.conciergeunlimited.com

Arts/Museums

opens

12	Art and Appetite	Art Institute
16	Mammal Study	Field Museum
19	Devouring Books	Art Institute
20	Jewels by JAR	Metro Museum of Art
22	Holiday Thorne Rooms	Art Institute
29	Neapolitan Creche	Art Institute

through

2	Day of Dead Ball	Museum of Mexican Art
3	Daniel Silver: Dig	London, England
9/7/14	Wonders of the World's Fair	Field Museum
27	David Bowie is	Toronto, Canada
12/8	Janet Cardiff: The Forty Part Motet	The Met, NY
1/5	Allegro Barbaro: Hungarian Modernity	Paris, France
3/2	The Surrealists	Philadelphia, PA

ongoing

Jellies Exhibit	Shedd Aquarium
Karen Blixen's Home Museum	Langata, Nairobi
Royal Palace Display	Royal Palace, Nepal
Ebony Fashion Flair	Chicago History Museum
The Dream, The Reality, The Nightmare	Museum of Communism
Van Gogh at Work	Van Gogh, Amsterdam

Ballet/Dance

2	The Seventh Love	Harris Theater
8-12/1	The Nexus Project	Mana Fine Arts
15	Dance Through the Decades	Harris Theater
15-17	Cloud Dance Festival	London, England
16	River North Dance	Harris Theater
21	Visceral Dance: Inaugural Benefit	Harris Theater
29-1/4	The Nutcracker	Lincoln Center, NY

Children/Family

opens

19	Childrens Int. Film Festival	Facets Cinema
9	Sesame Street Live	Bloomington, IL
27	Facets Family Film Series	Facets Cinema

through

1-10	Disney High School Musical	Harold Washington
1-11	Ringling Brothers Circus	Allstate Arena
12-24	Chicago Toy and Game Fair	Navy Pier
20-30	Ringling Brothers Circus	United Center

Classical/Symphony

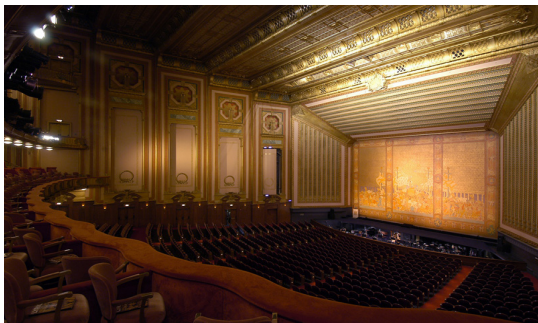
4	Britten and Boromeo	Anne and Howard Hall
17	Chamber at the Art Institute	Art Institute
18	Music of the Baroque: Classical Vienna	Harris Theatre

at Symphony Center

1-3	CSO: Haitink and Ax, cond. Bernard Haitink
8-10	CSO: John Williams Returns!, cond. John Williams
11	Dia de Los Muertos
14-16	CSO: Britten War Requiem, cond. Charles Dutoit
17	Christian Tetzlaff and Lars Vogt
19	Civic Orchestra: Beethoven 3
21-24	Tilson Thomas Conducts Mahler 9
29-30	Sing-a-long-a Grease

Opera: 2013-2014 Season

- 9 **Parsifal**, Richard Wagner
 20 **La Traviata**, Giuseppe Verdi
 12/10 **Die Fledermaus**, Johann Strauss II
 2/1 **The Barber of Seville**, Gioachino Rossini
 2/22 **Rusalka**, Antonín Dvořák
 3/5 **La Clemenza di Tito**, Mozart
 3/19 **Renee Fleming and Jonah Kaufmann Recital**

**Theatre***opens*

- 5 **Once Upon A Dream** Cadillac Palace Theatre
 14 **Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer** Broadway Playhouse
 16 **A Christmas Carol** Goodman Theatre
 26 **Elf the Musical** Cadillac Palace Theatre

through

- 10 **The Wheel** Steppenwolf Theatre
 10 **The North China Lover** Lookingglass Theatre
 10 **Cyrano De Bergerac** Shakespeare Theater
 24 **Master Class** Theo Ubique Cabaret Theatre
 30 **Kurt Vonnegut's Make Up Your Mind** Speakeasy Stage Co., Boston
 12/21 **Wicked** Oriental Theatre

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

Sneak Previews

- 12/1-30 **Radio City Christmas Spectacular** Radio City Music Hall
 12/1-1/5 **ZooLights** Lincoln Park Zoo
 12/2 **Rick Springfield** City Winery
 12/3-4 **Elton John and His Band** Madison Square Garden
 12/5 **The Little Prince** Lookingglass Theatre
 12/6-28 **Nutcracker** Auditorium Theatre
 12/13 **Sister Hazel** House of Blues
 12/13 **Beyonce** United Center
 12/13-14 **Jerry Seinfeld** Chicago Theatre
 12/14 **Welcome Yule!** Symphony Center
 12/20 **Donnie & Marie** Allstate Arena
 12/28 **Trans-Siberian Orchestra** Allstate Arena
 12/30 **EVE of the EVE** Union Station
 1/17 **Cubs Convention** Sheraton Hotel and Towers
 2/8 **Chicago Auto Show** McCormick Place
 2/16 **Justin Timberlake** United Center

Concert/Rock/Blues/Jazz

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| 1 | Cyndi Lauper | Chicago Theatre |
| 1-2 | Black Crowes | Riviera |
| 3 | Englebert Humperdinck | Star Plaza Theatre |
| 4 | Macklemore and Ryan Lewis | UIC Pavillion |
| 5 | P!nk | United Center |
| 6 | The Fratellis | Metro |
| 7-9 | Kanye West | United Center |
| 10 | John Legend | Chicago Theatre |
| 14 | Third Eye Blind | House of Blues |
| 15 | Lady Antebellum | Allstate Arena |
| 16 | Krewella | Aragon Ballroom |
| 19 | MGMT | Aragon Ballroom |
| 22 | The Avett Brothers | UIC Pavillion |
| 24 | Paramore | UIC Pavillion |
| 26 | Lupe Fiasco | House of Blues |
| 29 | Fall Out Boy | Metro |
| 30 | Elton John | Allstate Arena |

Sports◆ **Blackhawks**

- 3 Calgary
 6 Winnipeg
 10 Edmonton
 14 Phoenix
 17 San Jose
 21 @ Winnipeg
 27 @ Calgary
 29 @ Vancouver

◆ **Bulls**

- 8 Utah
 16 Indiana
 18 Charlotte
 22 @ Portland
 25 @ Utah
 27 @ Detroit
 30 @Cleveland

◆ **Bears**

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| 4 @ Green Bay Packers | 24 @ St. Louis Rams |
| 10 Detroit Lions | 12/1 @ Minnesota Vikings |
| 17 Baltimore Ravens | 12/9 Dallas Cowboys |

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| 2 World Championship Boxing | Theater at MSG, NY |
| 3 New York City Marathon | Staten Island, NY |
| 5 Melbourne Cup Carnival | Melbourne, AUS |
| 13 Grand-Giving Fundraiser | River North |

Special/Seasonal

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| 1-2 Statesville Haunted House | Joliet |
| 2 Day of Dead Ball | Museum of Mexican Art |
| 9 Veterans Day parade | Milwaukee, WI |
| 14-1/5 Holidays of Light | Museum of Science & Industry |
| 16-28 A Christmas Carol | Goodman Theatre |
| 23 Magnificent Mile Lights Festival | Pioneer Court |
| 23 Holiday Parade | Milwaukee, WI |
| 23-24 Holiday Market | Randolph Street |
| 26 100th Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony | Daley Plaza |
| 28 Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade | Central Park, NY |
| 28 McDonald's Thanksgiving Parade | State Street |
| 29 ZooLights | Lincoln Park Zoo |
| 29 Holiday Aquatic Show | Shedd Aquarium |
| 12/1 Radio City Christmas Spectacular | New York, NY |

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



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Happy and Bountiful Thanksgiving from your CUI Team!



We are grateful for your patronage.

How to make Thanksgiving Dish and Treats!

- ◆ **The Chopping Block** (4747 N. Lincoln Ave.) Chicago's largest recreational cooking school and gourmet retail store, offers demonstration and hands-on cooking classes. Chefs demonstrate how to smoke, grill, deep-fry and of course, roast a turkey. They'll also be showing off their favorite Thanksgiving side dishes. So stop by for expert tips, tricks, advice - and tastings!
- ◆ **The Wooden Spoon** (5047 N. Clark St.) Simplify the meal while staying true to what's best about this great American Thanksgiving tradition. Learn to roast a turkey in pieces to save time and effort, prepare sides and pumpkin for dessert. Discussions on how to save time on the big day by Chef Scott who will pull it all together and show you how you can orchestrate your own successful holiday feast.
- ◆ **Flavour Cooking School** (7401 W. Madison St., Forest Park) Laugh, eat and share your passion for cooking in a warm, inviting kitchen. Learn culinary techniques through a wide variety of cooking classes. Whether you are a beginner, advanced pro, or just short on time, let Chef Denise Norton guide you through preparation of your Thanksgiving Dinner.
- ◆ **Marcel's Culinary Experience** (490 North Main, Glen Ellyn) Marcel's is home to one of the freshest and most innovative stores for cooking and food lovers locally, regionally and even globally. Jill Foucré, a longtime resident of Glen Ellyn, has embarked on her life-long dream to combine her family heritage, her love of cooking and entertaining, and her highly successful business skills into a retail and cooking school destination.

Holiday Events & Entertainment

From Ballet and Broadway to Holiday Festivals, Concierge Unlimited is your source to Spectacular Seasonal Venues.

- ◆ **Holidays of Light**, begins Nov. 14th and runs until Jan. 5th. See trees decorated to represent many cultures plus weekend ethnic song-and-dance performances during Christmas Around the World and Holidays of Light at the Museum of Science & Industry.
- ◆ **Holiday Market** at 1350 Block W. Randolph will open on Nov. 23rd. Randolph Street's Holiday Market offers a mix of affordable antique, vintage, and modern goods in an indoor market. So, get your shopping done for Christmas at this perfect holiday market!
- ◆ **100th Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony** at Daley Plaza on Nov. 26th is a highly anticipated event, drawing in people of all ages. Musical performances and festive activities begin at 4:30pm and the holiday season officially commences at 5:00pm, when the switch is flipped and the lights begin to dazzle.
- ◆ **ZooLights Festival** at Lincoln Park Zoo begins Nov. 29th and runs through Jan. 5th. View the brilliance of this annual fun, free, family-oriented holiday celebration, featuring luminous displays and holiday season activities throughout the zoo grounds.
- ◆ **Holiday Aquatic Show**, opens Nov. 29th to combine an already amazing aquatic show with the holiday spirit. The event includes dolphins, Santa Claus and many other fun activities!
- ◆ **Winter WonderFest at Navy Pier**, opens Dec. 6th and runs through Jan. 12th. This festive holiday playground will entertain the entire family. Includes indoor ice skating, rides, Ferris Wheel and so much more.
- ◆ **Hinsdale Christmas Walk**, features Santa's arrival, carolers, giant storybooks, ice carvers, a trackless train, and a tree lighting in Hinsdale's Burlington Park. The walk will take place on Dec. 6th.
- ◆ **A Christmas Carol**, returns to Chicago again at the Goodman Theatre from Nov. 16 through Dec. 28th. Join us for this beloved holiday tradition with exciting new set elements! Experience the electrifying arrival of the ghosts, the jubilant musical numbers, the "Bah Humbugs," and Scrooge's joyful discovery of life and love in a way that's more extraordinary than ever.
- ◆ **Radio City Christmas Spectacular**, starring The Rockettes, returns to New York Dec. 1st at the Radio City Music Hall and runs through Dec. 30th. More spectacular than ever before! With brand new scenes, sets and costumes and breathtaking special effects you won't want to miss.
- ◆ **The Joffrey Ballet: Nutcracker** returns to Chicago once again at the Auditorium Theatre on Dec. 6th through the 28th. A grand production with Tchaikovsky's glorious score played live by a full orchestra, this is sure to be an evening of pure enchantment.

Contact your CUI Concierge for additional holiday events around the city and globe!

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.

Chicago Nightlife

Bars & Lounges

♦ **M2 Lounge @ Market Bar** (1113 West Randolph) Located above Market, this upscale lounge scene offers perfectly crafted cocktails and a state-of-the-art sound system. Stop in for a savory, intimate dinner at Market, then head upstairs to M2 for an awesome, one-stop night on the town.

♦ **RM Champagne Salon and Wine Bar** (116 North Green) This elegant wine and champagne salon is located adjacent to Nellcôte and led by sommelier Jason Wagner. Tucked away in a cobblestone alley, this intimate hot spot also offers a cheese program, tea sandwiches and pastries made in-house by Pastry Chef Nate Meads.

♦ **The Point** (401 North Milwaukee) Located downstairs of the three-room restaurant, sits the cocktail lounge, with an intimate speakeasy-esque vibe and instrumental saloon and jazz piano music for date nights or after hours. The cocktail menu features top-shelf craft spirits and classic recipes with a few new twists.

Heated Patios and Rooftops

♦ **Freestyle** (660 North State) Heat lamps and lounge furniture make this River North restaurant's sidewalk patio fit for lingering late. To drink, try autumn beers such as Southern Tier's Imperial Pumpkin ale or try a glass from the newly expanded wine list. It's also dog friendly, with water bowls and treats on hand for a post-walk pit stop.

♦ **Drumbar** (201 East Delaware Place) A multi-seasonal destination with speakeasy style, indoor lounge and outdoor heated garden terrace. Get cozy on the couch and enjoy the view while sipping on one of their delicious fall specialty cocktails.

♦ **Roof on the Wit** (201 North State) This glamorous 7,000 square foot escape on the 27th floor of the Wit, ROOF has earned international praises for its gorgeous design, sweeping views of Chicago. When the weather gets chilly the party doesn't stop. A retractable glass enclosure over the outdoor patio portion of the roof ensures the party will go on all year long in any kind of weather.

For more bars and lounges contact your CUI Concierge today!

Best Places to Watch The Bears!!!

♦ **Timothy O'Toole's Pub**
622 North Fairbanks Court

♦ **Public House**
400 North State Street

♦ **City Tavern**
1416 South Michigan Avenue

♦ **Haymarket Pub & Brewery**
737 West Randolph Street

Let your CUI Concierge help plan a sports night with MVP treatment!

Key Reasons Clients Rely on CUI

The Impossible, Possible!

Special Arrangements for Special Occasions! A client celebrating their wedding anniversary requested a very special dinner reservation for a large party at a top, sold out restaurant during prime time weekend hours. With just one call their CUI Concierge was able to employ their extensive local network and make a table appear!

CUI to the rescue!

Clear that top table with CUI's unlimited reach! A company executive was in need of a last minute reservation for a vital lunch meeting at RL Restaurant. Their assistant was unable to secure the reservation and called your CUI concierge for assistance. Thanks to CUI's resource network, a VIP reservation at the client's exact requested time was secured with just 45 minutes notice. The client was thrilled that CUI was able to "open the door!"

Contact your time-saving concierge today to work magic for you!



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