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The First, The Last, The Original: Come Celebrate 10 Tasty Years One Last Time At The 10th Annual LA Food Fest!



(Los Angeles, CA), Thursday, June 13th, 2019: Angelenos, it's time to dust off your stretchy pants one last time and be part of the **10th Annual LA Food Fest** that will take place on **Saturday, June 29th, 2019** from **2:00 pm to 7:00 pm** on the grassy infield of **Santa Anita Park!**

The **LA Food Fest** was born as the **LA Street Food Fest** in 2009 founded by **Shawna Dawson, Founder + CEO of Angeleno, Inc.** ([Sauce LA](#), [LA Food Fest](#), [Artisanal LA](#) and [Clean Made](#)). She officially kicked off her very first event in Downtown Los Angeles in February 2010. With a lofty goal to not only to fill a gap in the event scene by creating something that was the first of its kind, Dawson created a culinary community and a platform to support independent small businesses that has traveled from Los Angeles Center Studios in DTLA, the historic Rose Bowl in Pasadena, Exposition Park, Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum and to its final destination Santa Anita Park in Arcadia, cementing the **LA Food Fest** as L.A.'s premier street food event. **LA Food Fest** was also the first event to support their vendors by subsidizing the participation of nearly every participant, leading many other events to do the same. And in 2016, Dawson saw an opportunity to do good and help make this amazing city we call home a little better, so she decided to make **LA Food Fest** LA's first **Zero Food Waste** event. Says Dawson, "We couldn't be more proud of what we've accomplished over the years. The thousands of restaurants, chefs and caterers we've had the pleasure of working with. The bevy of events we've inspired all over the country, and the world. Not to mention, making the term "Food Fest" a common expression everywhere!"



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The 10th Annual LA Food Fest is a community event that promises not to disappoint bringing 5,000 foodies and 100+ restaurants, carts, stands, trucks, bars, beer, wine and craft cocktail makers together including some of the city's **Top Chefs, Restaurants and International Guest Chefs.**

Highlights from this year's **10th Annual LA Food Fest** include:

The **Nuevo Gastropub** is where the **LA Food Fest** says *adiós* with an international lineup for the books! Guest chefs include the grill guru **Dante Ferrero** ([Dante Brasa y Fuego](#), Mexico City) returning for his third year; **Olivier Deboise** ([Aperi](#), San Miguel de Allende) with his eclectic approach on sustainable cuisine; the daring gastronomy of **Sergio Meza** ([Villanos en Bermudas](#), Mexico City), co-owner of one of [Latin America's 50 Best Restaurants](#) and one of the youngest executive chefs in the world, **Rafael Covarrubias** ([Hexagon](#) and [7 Enoteca](#), Ontario, Canada). Joining the team, **Eduardo Morali** ([Pangea](#), Monterrey, Nuevo Leon) executive chef of one of 2019's *Best Restaurants in Mexico* said [Latin America's Best 50 Restaurants 2019](#), and the talented French pastry chef **Emmanuelle Deboise** ([La Casa Caramel](#), San Miguel de Allende). All will bring unique dishes created just for the event and an unforgettable culinary show. The theme for this year's **Nuevo Gastropub** is "parrilada" (translates to BBQ), and will include dishes for every palate, from Dante's primal cuts grilled over coals on site, to organic vegan tacos, ethnic bites (*Charbroiled shrimp tostada with peanut salsa macha, mushrooms and grilled onions duxelle, dill aioli; Grilled Street Corn with black garlic and huitlacoche*), experimental appetizers (*Charbroiled beet with mascarpone cheese, pistachios and black lemon dust*) and refreshing fusion desserts (*Grilled banana sandwich with avocado mousse, fresh goat cheese, and honey*). As in previous years, the **Nuevo Gastropub** will also feature an extensive **Top Shelf Tequila Tasting** and Mexican beers like **Border X, Cabotella** and **CALIDAD**.

This year, guests will also get a very special taste of **Gordon Ramsay's UNCHARTED**, featuring an exclusive preview of the upcoming *National Geographic* series and sample dishes inspired by the show in the **NatGeo Lounge**.

As in past years, the Fest will also help a number of **New Chefs and Restaurants make their debut** including [Cuizina](#) (Filipino street food), [Qhuiadain](#) (authentic vegan mole), [The Burristas](#), [Cevicheria las Olas](#), [African Chop](#), [El Chef Taco](#), [Ken's Ramen](#), [POKEBAR](#), [Big Grandma's Kitchen](#), [Sushi Roku](#), [Oak Smoke BBQ](#), EK'BALAM Yucatan Cuisine (formerly Delicias Yucatecas), [The Vegan Salvi](#) and Always Coffee, alongside neighborhood faves like [Maquina Taco](#), [Pasta Sisters](#), [Eagle Rock Public House](#), [Comfort LA](#), [Pinches Flautas](#), [Barranco Lounge by Chef Walther](#), [Fishin for Brews](#), [Low Key Burritos](#), [Luckdish Curry](#), [Takami Sushi](#), [Bearology](#), [Humbleburgerz](#), [Bite Me Gourmasian](#), [Pez Cantina](#), Padthai Boran, [Mama Musubi](#), [Nature Well](#), [Café de Leche](#) and more.

The **Ice Cream Social** is back with treats from [The Donuttery](#), [Pie Hole](#), [You Had Me at Helado](#), [Communita Bakery](#), Down South Treats, Dearly Beloved Confections, Tastee Flavors New Orleans style shaved ice, [Uncle Tetsu's Japanese Cheesecake](#), [12 Oaks Desserts](#) and many more.

To keep the party going, [Birds & Bees](#) and [Mister O's](#) **Rafael Jonathan Barba** brings some amazing bar talent to the mix alongside bars from local [Citrus Grove Distillers](#) doing both cocktails and mocktails, [Revel Spirits](#) and [Broken Shed](#) Vodka. Plus, [Pez Cantina](#) micheladas.

For the wine drinkers, local [Riboli Wines](#) return, plus a new **Wine Garden** sponsored by [Obvious Wines](#) featuring acoustic tunes from [Sylvia Bosco](#) and games of pétanque from [La Boulisterie Los Angeles](#). And for the beer drinkers



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there's the [Stella Airstream](#), [Golden Road](#), [Eagle Rock Brewery](#), [CALIDAD](#), [Border X](#), [Elysian Brewing IPA](#), [Glutenberg Beer](#), [Hop Valley Brewing](#) and [Michelob Gold Organic](#), plus [Common Cider](#) and Hard Kombucha. Plenty of non-alcoholic drinks will be on hand from [Spindrift](#), [KeVita](#), [Honest Tea](#) and more.

In the **VIP Lounge** find plenty of shaded seating, an exclusive [HotPoint Lightbox Photo Booth](#), [Alexander's Steakhouse](#), [FrankieLucy Bakeshop](#) and wines from Napa's [Wedell Cellars](#).

This year's event also features a grassy new **GA Lounge** area. While you're taking a food coma break, meet friendly Martians and other enthusiastic communicators from **JPL**. Hear about the latest news and discoveries about **NASA** exploration across our universe and those made by the rovers, the InSight lander, and **NASA** orbiters currently at Mars. Take a selfie with various **NASA & Apollo** backdrops – make a flower crown with [Crown Bloom Co.](#) and grab a bottle of cold [Essentia Water](#) from the refresh station while you're there!

Roving **Live Entertainment**, **Mariachi**, **DJ**, a performance on the stage by [Black Crystal Wolf Kids](#), face painting and henna for the (little and big) kids round out the experience.

A complete lineup and event map will be announced closer to the event date. Stay tuned!

A portion of the proceeds from the **10th Annual LA Food Fest** will directly benefit [Food Forward](#), this year's charity partner. **Food Forward** fights hunger and prevents food waste by rescuing fresh surplus produce, connecting this abundance with people in need and inspiring others to do the same. **Food Forward** is synonymous with food waste reduction in Los Angeles and the LA Food Fest could not ask for a better partner as they head into their third and final year of being **LA's only Zero Food Waste event**.

Thank You to Our Friends who help make this event possible: Essentia Water, National Geographic, NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL), Entercom, Baja Brewing, Golden Road, CALIDAD, Tequila Cocula, Corazon Azul Spirits, Aguirre Tequila, Tequila Don Nacho, Spindrift, KeVita, Good Farms, Kumana Foods, 4th & Heart and more.

Ticket Information: The **LA Food Fest** will take place on **Saturday, June 29th, 2019** on the grassy infield at **Santa Anita Park**. To ensure all guests enjoy the event to its fullest, the LA Food Fest attendance is capped at just 5,000 all-inclusive (pre-sale only) tickets. A **VIP Power Hour + Early Entry** (\$99) will be held from 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm and **VIP Check-in** will start at 1:30 pm. **General Admission** (\$69) will be from 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm and **General Admission Check-in** starts at 2:30 pm. This event is for all ages and family friendly. Children age 10 and under are free with a paying adult. ID is required for a 21+ wristband and 21+ wristbands are required for all craft beer, cocktail bars, wine and spirit tastings. **For more information on the 10th Annual LA Food Fest** and to reserve **tickets today**, please visit www.LAFoodFest.com.

Location: Santa Anita Park (Gate 6) – 275 Colorado Place, Arcadia, CA 91007



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Transportation and Parking: Guests are encouraged to utilize car services or alternative transportation such as Lyft, Uber, Taxi, Rideshare, Metro, etc., since this event does serve alcoholic beverages. Guest parking for the **LA Food Fest** is available onsite via Gate 6 at Santa Anita Park for \$5 per car (*cash only*). Complimentary parking is also available for **VIP Guests**.

LA Food Fest Pro Tips & FAQs: The **LA Food Fest** is a festival for foodies and a good strategy for the day is the best Fest companion! To ensure an awesome time, check out the [Insider Pro Tips & FAQs](#).

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