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Star-Studded Lineup Headlines Westchester Magazine's
9th Annual Wine & Food Festival

Event Features Fan-Favorite Chef Demo Tent at Grand Tasting Village

Tickets On-Sale Now for Westchester's Culinary Event of the Year

Westchester County, N.Y. – April, 2019 – Tickets are on sale now for the biggest and best Wine & Food Festival north of NYC, Westchester Magazine's Wine & Food Festival. The event is highlighted by the Grand Tasting Village, featuring the NewYork-Presbyterian Hudson Valley Hospital Chef Demo Tent, which will bring some of the best chefs in Westchester to Kensico Dam Plaza on Saturday, June 8 from 12 noon – 4:00PM.

"The Wine & Food Festival gets bigger and better every year and we are thrilled with this year's lineup of culinary greats," said Sam Wender, publisher, Westchester Magazine. "Grand Tasting Village, featuring the Chef Demo Tent, is a fan-favorite, so get your tickets today!"

The signature event of the Wine & Food Festival, the Grand Tasting Village, will feature tastings from 50 + local restaurants and more than 200 wines & spirits. The popular chef demonstrations bring something for everyone.

Here's the **star-studded** lineup:

Restaurateur and renowned chef **Peter X. Kelly** of Xaviar's Restaurant Group will demonstrate his culinary expertise once again this year. As one of the most beloved chefs in the Hudson Valley, Kelly is sure to create something spectacular. Kelly will partner with Chef Emilie Berner of the Peter X. Kelly Teaching Kitchen at NewYork-Presbyterian Hudson Valley Hospital. They will create a healthy and delicious dish in front of a live audience.

"This event is always one of the highlights of the year for me and I'm thrilled to be back with some of my favorite local chefs," said Kelly.

New this year, CBS2 News Anchor, Emmy-award winning journalist and author, **Mary Calvi**, will host a book signing of her newly released book, "Dear George, Dear Mary: A Novel of George Washington's First Love." The novel is about heiress Mary Philipse's relationship with George Washington, based on historical accounts, letters and personal journals. Calvi will be joined on-stage in the Chef Demo Tent by **Josyane Colwell** of Le Moulin Catering and Le Moulin Bistro, to recreate one of George Washington's most-loved dishes paired with his favorite cocktail. Colwell brings over 30 years of experience catering the finest affairs in the region. Menus sourced from seasonal ingredients and plates that replicate nature through presentation are the basis for Josyane's cooking style.

Food Network star, chef **Christian Petroni**, will dazzle the demo audience once again! Petroni runs Fortina restaurant group, which represents the beloved Italian culture that surrounded him growing up, combined with the love of rustic, wholesome, seasonal (yet whimsical) cooking. He has most recently appeared as a judge on both *Chopped*, *Guy's Grocery Games* and *Beat Bobby Flay*.

Rafael Palomino is joining the chef demo tent once again this year. Whether he's in the kitchen, penning his cookbooks – or working the stove in one of his eight-and growing establishments, Palomino is the consummate creator and astute businessman. Palomino was born in Bogota, Colombia and made his way to Queens, New York. He decided to go back to his roots and use his cooking expertise to highlight the delicious flavors of Latin America at Sonora Restaurant in Port Chester.

The exclusive Party Line Connoisseurs Tent offers guests a one-of-a-kind experience. Wine seminars will be hosted by world-renowned wine expert and author, **Kevin Zraly**. Tickets to the Party Line Connoisseurs Tent, which include admission to the Grand Tasting Village, offer access to the event's highest-end wines and delicious cuisine from Arthur Avenue in the Bronx, Tarry Lodge, Ruth's Chris, and Gigante.

Visit www.westchestermagazine.com/winefood for complete details, participating restaurants, chefs and to purchase tickets. Grand Tasting Village tickets are available for \$85 online and \$95 at the door. Party Line Connoisseurs Tent tickets are \$125 online and \$135 at the door.

About Westchester Magazine's Wine & Food Festival

Westchester Magazine's Wine & Food Festival, now in its 9th year, is the Hudson Valley's most iconic event of the year. The festival is an exclusive gathering of the top chefs and wine experts in Westchester County, with more than 100 top restaurants and world-class wines, bringing together over 7,000 people from the region. Westchester Magazine's Wine & Food Festival takes place June 4-9, 2019. A portion of the proceeds will benefit Feeding Westchester and the Westchester Parks Foundation.