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Lower Manhattan's Best Cuisine Featured At 12th Dine Around Downtown Event



New York, NY (May 31, 2011) - ONE day, around FIFTY restaurants, HUNDREDS of signature dishes, THOUSANDS of delicious servings and happy eaters, and LIVE music – It's time for the 12th Dine Around Downtown festival in Lower Manhattan!

Dine Around Downtown highlights Lower Manhattan's thriving culinary scene and is a once-a-year opportunity to sample the creations of Lower Manhattan's most exciting chefs and restaurants.

Dine Around Downtown will feature scores of well-known Lower Manhattan restaurants, including *Delmonico's Steakhouse, The Capital Grille, Stone Street Tavern, Battery Gardens, Les Halles Downtown, Harry's Italian, Smorgas Chef, Nelson Blue and Haru. Cuisines will range from French to Japanese to Mexican to New American.* Admission to the event is free, and a variety of signature menu items may be purchased for only \$3 to \$7 per tasting.

Approximately 20,000 Lower Manhattan workers, residents and visitors are expected to attend the event, which will feature live music by *the Jazz Museum AllStars*.

This event is presented by the Downtown Alliance with additional support from *Bloomberg, JPMorgan Chase, The Moinian Group, The New York Observer, WNYC New York Public Radio and 1-800-Postcards.*

An updated list of participating restaurants is available at www.downtownny.com.

WHERE: Chase Manhattan Plaza

(Between Nassau & William and Liberty & Pine streets)

WHEN: Tuesday, June 14, from 11 AM to 3 PM

(Rain date is Wednesday, June 15)

Dine Around Downtown 2011 participants include:

Adrienne's Pizzabar The Bailey Pub & Brasserie **Battery Gardens Restaurant** Beckett's The Beekman Pub **Bobby Van's Steakhouse Brick NYC Bridge Café Burger Burger** The Capital Grille Ciao Bella Gelato City Hall Restaurant Crepes du Nord **Delmonico's Steakhouse** The Dubliner Financier Patisserie **Fino Wall Street Fizzy Lizzy** Harry's Café & Steak Harry's Italian Haru Inatesso Pizzabar Jim Bradv's The Ketch **Kitchenette**

Les Halles Downtown

MarkJoseph Steakhouse

The Libertine Mad Dog & Beans

Merchant's NY Café Merchant's River House **Nelson Blue Open Door Gastropub** P.J. Clarke's on the Hudson Pound & Pence Salud Restaurant Sequoia **Smorgas Chef** SouthWest NY Stella **Stone Street Tavern Suspenders Restaurant** Suteishi **Trinity Place Ulysses Folk House** Wall & Water **Waterstone Grill** Zeytuna

The mission of the Alliance for Downtown New York is to be the principal organization that provides Lower Manhattan's historic financial district with a premier physical and economic environment, advocates for businesses and property owners and promotes the area as a world-class destination for companies, workers, residents and visitors. The Downtown Alliance manages the Downtown-Lower Manhattan Business Improvement District (BID), serving an area roughly from City Hall to the Battery, from the East River to West Street.