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Dining Calendar

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Wines From All Corners

A class covering the basics of the wines of Chile and Argentina will be held, with a tasting, on Oct. 28 from 7 to 9:30 p.m. at the International Culinary Center, 462 Broadway (Grand Street), \$175, internationalculinarycenter.com.

A tasting of five Penfolds wines, including the 2004 Grange, will be led by the winemaker Peter Gago on Oct. 30 from 4 to 6 p.m. at the Australian Bar and Restaurant, 20 West 38th Street. Food will be served and participants will have an opportunity to purchase Grange, a wine that has been called the Pétrus of Australia. Reservations: \$150 plus tax and tip (212) 869-8601.

Alessia Antinori, a daughter of Piero Antinori and the oenologist for Antinori Wines, will be pouring nine of the wines, free, on Oct. 30 from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. at Garnet Wines, 929 Lexington Avenue (69th Street).

Organic wines from the Loire Valley will be poured by the winemakers at a free tasting Oct. 31 from 2 to 6 p.m. at Ward Three, 111 Reade Street (Church Street).

A dozen great Burgundies from 1998 to 2007 will be poured by the winemakers at a dinner starting at 6:30 p.m. on Nov. 4 at Daniel, 60 East 65th Street. \$295 plus tax and tip, reservations: (212) 933-5261.

A Memorial Dinner

A dinner in memory of Sheila Lukins, with a 5-course menu of Silver Palate specialties, will be given Oct. 30 at 7 p.m. at the Bee and Thistle Inn, 100 Lyme Street, Old Lyme, Conn., \$80 including wine. Tax and tip are additional. It will benefit Shoreline Soup Kitchens & Pantries, a hunger relief agency in Essex, Conn. (860)434-1667.

Food as Art

To kick off Performa 09, a citywide arts festival that will run from Nov. 1 through Nov. 22, there will be an interactive dinner Oct. 30 starting at 7 p.m. on all floors of the [Dia Art Foundation](http://diaartfoundation.org), 548 West 22nd Street. It will start with an elaborate drink installation,

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move on to five tables for 100 people each where 2,000 pounds of ribs will be served with honey dripping on them from the ceiling, then follow with a room of edible chocolate sculptures. Tickets, \$300, will benefit Performa: www.performa-arts.org.

Study of Ribs

A free demonstration about how to prepare a standing rib roast will be given Oct. 31 at 11 a.m. at Hicks Nurseries, 100 Jericho Turnpike, Westbury, N.Y.

Halloween

A four-course [pumpkin](#) dinner will be served Oct. 30 and 31 from 4 to 11 p.m. at Boulevard Five72, 572 Boulevard, Kenilworth, N.J. Reservations: \$65 plus beverages, tax and tip: (908) 709-1200.

A wine tasting led by Craig McManus, who is supposed to be a medium and who owns a wine shop in Tenafly, N.J., will be Oct. 31 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Astor Center, 399 Lafayette Street: \$55 from www.astorcenternyc.com.

For the Day of the Dead, in addition to special menus and commemorative altars at Mexican restaurants all over town, there will be events in the churchyard at St. Mark's in the Bowery. From Oct. 30 through Nov. 2, there will be music, poetry, altar-building workshops and entertainment. On Saturday and Sunday, there will be a chance to participate in workshops to make sugar skull candies, sweet breads and other items. All events are free of charge and are sponsored by Mano a Mano, a Mexican cultural organization. Mexican food and beverages will be sold.

A blind tasting of three beers will be Saturday from 3 to 9 p.m. Oct. 31 at Beer Table, 427B Seventh Avenue (14th Street), Park Slope, Brooklyn. Those who participate for \$5 can enter a contest and answer questions about the beers. Winners will be announced at 9:30 p.m. Halloween draft beer, and fresh [root beer](#) for children, will also be sold.

Restaurant Week Set

Long Island Restaurant Week, from Nov. 1 through Nov. 8, will feature three-course prix-fixe dinners nightly (only until 7 p.m. on Saturdays) for \$24.95, at more than 200 restaurants: longislandrestaurantweek.com.

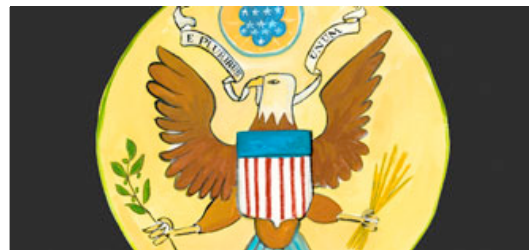
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