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Wine & Food Week marks 15-year milestone June 3 -9, 2019

Spotlights culinary and wine tastemakers from across the globe. 15 years in the making!

HOUSTON (January 31, 2019) – Clear the calendar. Tell Alexa to set the date. For wine and food lovers, this is *the not to be missed* event. Period. June 3-9, 2019 is a celebration 15 years in the making, featuring wine and culinary tastemakers from across the globe. [Wine & Food Week 2019](#) returns to The Woodlands for a week-long multi-faceted extravaganza, reuniting scores of culinary talent and drawing avid foodies and wine enthusiasts from across the region. Rooted in a deep affection for all things wine and food, Wine & Food Week, under the direction of Food & Vine Time Productions, will once again raise a glass to master chefs, winemakers, educators and more, hailing from Houston and across the globe. Experience national and international wines at wine tastings, wine dinners, Ladies of the Vine Luncheon, seminars, casual events like Sips, Suds & Tacos and the H-E-B Wine Walk at Market Street, all culminating in an elaborate Wine Rendezvous Grand Tasting & Chef Showcase.

What FVTP co-founder Constance McDerby once described as “her hobby out of control” has grown into the largest, most comprehensive event from New Orleans to Aspen. Wine & Food Week is a tradition that has spotlighted culinary talent the likes of Chef to the Royal Family of Great Britain, Darren McGrady and former White House Chef John Moeller. “We



were the first multi-day event ever launched in Houston and over the years we’ve worked with an extraordinary cadre of culinary and wine talent. It’s amazing to think that in 15 years we’ve offered no fewer than 99,270 wines to our guests. For some, it’s a week of finding a new favorite taste and for others it’s the opportunity to try something they’ve never heard of. For us it’s a time to reunite with some of the most talented people we know, many of whom we consider extended family,” McDerby explained.

This year, Wine & Food Week, will again host over 75 chefs, hundreds of wines with well-versed industry representatives including Houston icon and Master Sommelier, Guy Stout, one of only 215 Master Sommelier (MS) in the world and one

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of the first in America. He is also a Certified Wine Educator (CWE), Certified Spirits Specialist (CSS) and previous President of the Society of Wine Educators. Rub elbows with Tim Hanni, an internationally renowned ‘flavor maven.’ A professionally-trained chef, he is one of the first two resident Americans to successfully complete the examination and earn the title Master of Wine. He is a Certified Wine Educator accredited by the Society of Wine Educators and co-founder and Chief Advocate of [MyVinotype](#), which helps people understand what kind of wines they like to drink.

This 15th anniversary celebration is a chance for us to reunite with so many talented people who’ve impacted the world of fine wine and food in really big ways while looking forward to what’s ahead,” added McDerby. Guests at the 2019 Wine & Food Week will feel the impact wine has had on the world enjoying experiences like: “15 Years – Then and Now,” 15 Gadgets that Changed the Wine Industry;” “15 Winemakers to Watch” “15 Fresh Faces,” “15 Wines to Drink Now,” “15 Wine and Food Pairings,” and much, more.

Food & Vine Time Productions has raised well over a million dollars through various channels for local charities over the years. 2019 Wine & Food Week benefits New Danville, an integrated community where adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities can live, learn, work and grow with their peers, in an effort to improve the lives of their neighbors; and The John Cooper School’s Signature Author Series that assists with literacy efforts in Montgomery County through a highly anticipated annual event that has featured past keynote speakers such as Barbara Bush, Anthony Bourdain, Nicholas Sparks, Gillian Flynn and many others. Also benefiting is The Woodlands Arts Council, whose mission is to provide regional cultural and educational enrichment through community events, The Woodlands Waterway Arts Festival and programs that support the performing, visual and literary arts.

To purchase tickets, book a hotel room, sign up to volunteer and for more general information, please visit www.wineandfoodweek.com.

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ABOUT WINE & FOOD WEEK AND FOOD & VINE TIME PRODUCTIONS

Wine & Food Week, produced by Food & Vine Time Productions, is the first multi-day, multi-faceted, comprehensive destination culinary and wine event in Houston Metro and the first nationally to promote locally sourced and sustainable products. Owners Clifton and Constance McDerby are dedicated to enhancing the quality of life and health of Houstonians by educating the novice to the aficionado on wines and fine dining encouraging locally-sources and sustainable ingredients. Food & Vine Time Productions created another first with the state’s first multi-day craft beer destination and educational event featuring over 300 craft beer selections. Brewmasters Craft Beer Festival has been named #3 beer event in America by USA Today and #1 in Houston by Houstonia Magazine. Food & Vine Time Productions also produces Wine Fair Cy-Fair, Zest in the West, Katy Sip N Stroll, BrewMasters Craft Beer Festival, Houston Chronicle Culinary Stars, Tomball’s Freight Train Food Truck Fest and a myriad of private events for various clients. Since its inception in 2002, Food & Vine Time Productions has assisted in raising well over a million dollars for local charities through live and silent auctions and cash donations.