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Hip & Historic Georgetown, DC Rings in the New Year with Bubbly Toasts, Special Menus and Exciting New Year’s Eve Festivities

Live DJ-hosted parties and exquisite NYE-only menus at over 20 Georgetown restaurants, bars and merchants offer a variety of options for all to celebrate the start of 2011

Washington, DC (December 21, 2010) – From complimentary champagne toasts to romantic dinners with that special someone, Georgetown, DC is the place to ring in 2011 and celebrate the start of a new year. Several Georgetown merchants and retailers are hosting unique and exciting events on New Year’s Eve to entice everyone from the partygoer to the early couch-retiree.

For the 21-and-over crowd looking to get their “party” on, several Georgetown bars and restaurants are offering special ticketed New Year’s Eve options designed so once guests get in the door, all they have to worry about is having a good time.

Tony & Joe's, Nick's Riverside Grille and Cabanas are collaboratively hosting the hot-ticket “New Year's Eve at Washington Harbour.” When doors open at 8:30 p.m., guests will enjoy a top-shelf open bar, appetizer buffet, house DJs at Tony & Joe's and Cabanas, and live music by Schizophonic at Nick's, party favors, champagne toast at midnight, and large heated tents to keep guests warm when mingling between each restaurant. Tickets are \$110 but are almost sold out so guests are encouraged to purchase soon. Tables are also available to reserve. For more information please visit www.dcseafood.com/new_years. The New Year’s Eve celebration will be hosted at 3000 K St., NW.

Smith Point is celebrating the start of a new year with an exclusive ticketed New Year’s Eve party featuring live music from Georgetown’s favorite local party band, Sick Feed, and an open bar from 10 p.m. to 1 a.m. Tickets are \$70 and can be purchased at www.smithpointdc.com. **Smith Point** is located at 1338 Wisconsin Ave., NW.

The drinks will be flowing at popular night spot **George** with a premium open bar including Grey Goose, Bombay Sapphire, Patron, champagne and more from 9 p.m. until 1 a.m., hors d'oeuvres, party favors, and a champagne toast. Tickets are \$99 and can be purchased at <http://2011.george.eventbrite.com/>. **George** is located at 3251 Prospect St., NW.

An “End of the Decade Cocktail Soiree” is being hosted by **L2 Lounge** from 9 to 11 p.m. and includes entertainment by the Greg Meyer Jazz Quartet, open bar, passed hors d'oeuvres, a champagne toast, and psychic readings. Admission is \$45 for members and guests, and \$90 for non-members. After the cocktail party, the “2011 Midnight Celebration” will be held from 11 p.m. to 4 a.m. and will feature a DJ and drum sound-off, countdown of festivities around the world, and breakfast beginning at 1 a.m. No charge for members; \$50 for non-members. RSVP to events@l2lounge.com. For more information call (202) 965-2001. **L2 Lounge** is located at 3315 Cady’s Alley, NW.

Garrett's Restaurant is keeping things easy and hassle-free, with no cover charge to join the fun and a free champagne toast at midnight. If guests want a bit more exclusivity, tickets can be purchased for \$60 per person which includes three hours of open limited bar from 9 p.m. until midnight, light appetizers and party favors. For more information please visit www.garrettsdc.com. **Garrett's Restaurant** is located at 3003 M St., NW.

Gazing at fireworks and drinking champagne can make New Year's Eve one of those romantic holidays to spend with that "special someone." These charming neighborhood Italian restaurants will have lovebirds sharing spaghetti and ready for that New Year's kiss. That's amore!

Ristorante Piccolo will set the mood with romantic candlelit dining, cozy fireplaces, a special 4-course Italian dinner, and a strolling violinist. Guests will also receive party favors and a champagne toast at midnight. **Ristorante Piccolo** will offer two seatings: \$59 from 5 to 7 p.m. and \$69 from 7 p.m. to midnight. For more information or to make reservations please visit www.piccolodc.com. **Ristorante Piccolo** is located at 1068 31st St., NW.

Il Canale is introducing a special Italian menu for New Year's Eve this year and will toast guests at midnight with Prosecco. The 8:30 p.m. seating is \$75 per person, excluding tax & tip. For those looking to refuel the next day, **Il Canale** will be open New Year's Day with their regular menu. For more information or to make reservations please visit www.ilcanaledc.com or call (202) 337-4444. **Il Canale** is located at 1063 31st St., NW.

Filomena, known for their authentic Italian cuisine, will offer both an a la carte menu and special holiday menu during four seatings on New Year's Eve: 4 p.m., 6 p.m., 8 p.m. and 10 p.m. Those dining at 10 p.m. will receive a complimentary champagne toast at midnight. For more information or to make reservations please visit www.filomenadc.com or call (202) 338-8800 **Filomena** is located at 1063 Wisconsin Ave., NW.

For those looking to enter the New Year with an exquisite meal and a full belly, some of Georgetown's best restaurants are offering special New Year's Eve-only menus guaranteed to provide a fabulous dining experience.

Diners at **BOURBON STEAK**, located inside the luxurious Four Seasons Hotel, can enjoy a wonderful set dinner menu coupled with live entertainment in the lounge from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. on New Year's Eve. First seating (\$85) is from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., and second seating (\$175) is from 8:30 to 9:30 p.m. which includes a champagne toast at midnight. For guests only looking to enter the bar, there will be a \$25 cover charge for the bar only after 8 p.m., while hotel guests and spa members may enter for free. For more information or to make reservations please visit www.bourbonsteakdc.com. **BOURBON STEAK** is located at 2800 Pennsylvania Ave, NW.

The family can celebrate together at **Fahrenheit at the Ritz-Carlton** with a 3-course holiday menu offered at 5:30 p.m., 6 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. for \$75 per adult (\$95 with wine pairing), and \$40 per child 12 and under. For those looking for later festivities, Fahrenheit will also serve a 4-course holiday menu including a complimentary glass of champagne for \$145 per adult (\$175 with wine pairing), with seatings from 8 p.m. through midnight. Guests can gather in the lobby for some great live entertainment from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. For more information or to make reservations please call (202) 912-4100. **Fahrenheit** is located at 3100 South St., NW.

For a more quaint New Year's Eve meal, European bistro-bar, **Café Bonaparte** will serve a 4-course menu for \$65 (\$100 with champagne pairings). The restaurant will offer two seatings, at 6 p.m. and 8:15 p.m.; the latter invited to stay for a champagne toast at midnight. For more information or to make

reservations please visit www.cafebonaparte.com. **Café Bonaparte** is located at 1522 Wisconsin Ave., NW.

Bistro Francais is inviting diners to celebrate New Year's Eve with talented chef Gerard Cabrol and a special 3-course prix fixe menu for \$55 per person. Guests will receive a complimentary glass of champagne and noise maker at midnight to signal the start of the New Year. For more information or to make reservations please visit www.bistrofrancaisdc.com or call (202) 338-3830. **Bistro Francais** is located at 3124-3128 M St., NW.

Serving some of the finest seafood in DC, sustainable eatery, **Hook**, will provide New Year's Eve diners with an exceptional dining experience. Guests can ring in 2011 with complimentary bubbly at the restaurant's midnight champagne toast. For more information or to make reservations please visit www.hookdc.com or call (202) 625-4488. **Hook** is located at 3241 M St., NW.

Farmers & Fishers is inviting guests to bring friends and family, and host their own New Year's Eve celebration in one of their private rooms. The restaurant's special menu (\$50 per person) and signature menu (\$75 per person) are offered exclusively in the Wine and Harvest rooms on NYE and offer wonderful 3-course meals, each including a signature cocktail, glass of wine or sparkling wine. The signature menu includes an additional sparkling wine toast. Reservations are coordinated with the private dining office and a signed private dining agreement is required. For more information or to make reservations please visit www.farmersandfishers.com. **Farmers & Fishers** is located at 3000 K St., NW.

A delicious New Year's Eve meal is sometimes best worked off by a lively night of dancing. These Georgetown spots have guests covered from the moment they sit down to eat until the dance floor is packed and the clock strikes midnight.

Signature cocktails, DJ tunes and a photo booth to capture NYE memories are only part of the festivities at **Mie N Yu**. Guests can start things off with a 3-course or 4-course prix fixe menu (\$65 and \$85 respectively, plus tax + 20% gratuity). Then, at 10 p.m. at the Hong Kong bar, **Mie N Yu** resident deejay, DJ Dub, will spin 70s, 80s and 90s club classics while guests sip champagne cocktails and **Mie N Yu** signature martinis. \$10 cover charge includes party favors and a midnight champagne toast. Belly dancer performances will be held from 7:15 to 8 p.m. and 9:15 to 10 p.m. For guests who really want to splurge, "The Birdcage Experience" is available at 6 & 9 p.m. with a special, customized experience with both the Executive Chef and Bar Chef. For more information or to make reservations please visit www.mienyu.com. **Mie N Yu** is located at 3125 M St., NW.

Guests can choose between an a la carte and 6-course prix fixe menu (\$125 plus glass of sparkling champagne) at **Café Milano** before heading to the dance floor and grooving to tunes from the DJ. **Café Milano** will offer two seatings at 6 p.m. and 9 p.m., both offering a champagne toast at midnight. For more information or to make reservations please visit www.cafemilano.net. **Café Milano** is located at 3251 Prospect St., NW.

Guests will have the best of both worlds at **Morso**: wonderful food and fun entertainment. Diners will savor a 4-course meal including wine and a champagne toast, while enjoying music from the Jose Sacin and Pablo Henrich Duo from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., and DJ Frankie Fingers from 11 p.m. to 2 a.m. First seating (\$65) is at 6 p.m. and second seating (\$80) is at 8 p.m. For more information or to make reservations please visit www.morsorestaurant.com or call (202) 333-1031. **Morso** is located at 3277 M St., NW.

Those looking to celebrate without staying out late can enjoy holiday celebrations during the day. Guests can shop, browse festive artwork and pamper themselves with complimentary champagne at these local merchants.

Qi Spa invites everyone to start the year fresh and feeling good by pampering themselves on New Year's Eve. The spa will serve nibbles and refreshments throughout the day, offer a free gift to anyone who purchases a spa service, and a complimentary champagne toast at 5 p.m. For more information please call (202) 333-6344. **Qi Spa** is located at 3106 M St., NW.

For those still looking for that hot New Year's Eve party dress, **Affairs** will offer amazing sales on dresses and apparel throughout the week from December 26-31. Shoppers can sip champagne and pick up a stylish dress for \$99 by mentioning "Champagne Toast" or "Vim Mas." Also, guests can bring in their receipt on NYE from any **Affairs** purchase during December 26-31 to receive a special gift. For more information please call (202) 337-0025. **Affairs** is located inside the Shops at Georgetown Park at 3222 M St., NW on the third level.

Guests can browse the beautiful artwork at **Susan Calloway Fine Arts** on New Year's Eve and join the gallery for a complimentary champagne toast at 3:30 p.m. Shoppers who see a piece that catches their eye will receive a special NYE discount of 10-20% off all artwork in the shop's holiday window. For more information please call (202) 965-4601. **Susan Calloway Fine Arts** is located at 1643 Wisconsin Ave., NW.

Shoppers can also browse the hot holiday dress selection and sip bubbly at **Urban Chic**. Open from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. on New Year's Eve, guests will receive complimentary champagne and 20% off dresses throughout the day. For more information please call (202) 338-5398. **Urban Chic** is located at 1626 Wisconsin Ave., NW.

About the Georgetown Business Improvement District

The Georgetown Business Improvement District (BID) is a nonprofit organization dedicated to protecting and enhancing the accessibility, attractiveness and overall appeal of Georgetown. Established in 1999 by its property owners and merchants, the Georgetown BID has more than 1,000 members. The organization is located in the heart of Georgetown in Washington, D.C and sets a standard of excellence in preserving historic charm while meeting contemporary needs. From marketing and special events, to transportation and streetscape, the Georgetown BID contributes to the vitality and quality of life in Georgetown. For more information please visit georgetowndc.com. Also connect with Georgetown on Twitter: www.twitter.com/GeorgetownDC, Facebook: www.facebook.com/OfficialGeorgetownDC and YouTube: www.youtube.com/user/GeorgetownDCTV.

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