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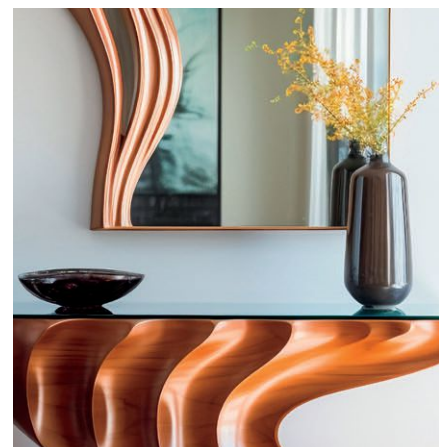
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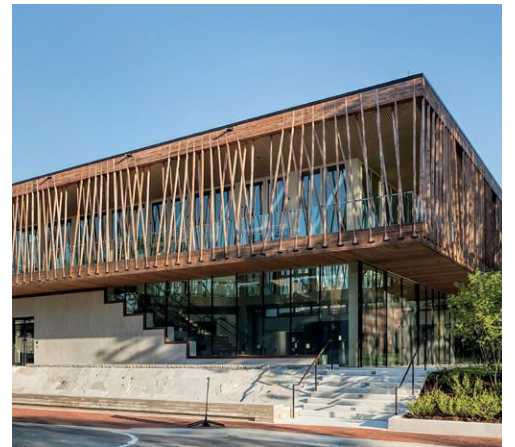


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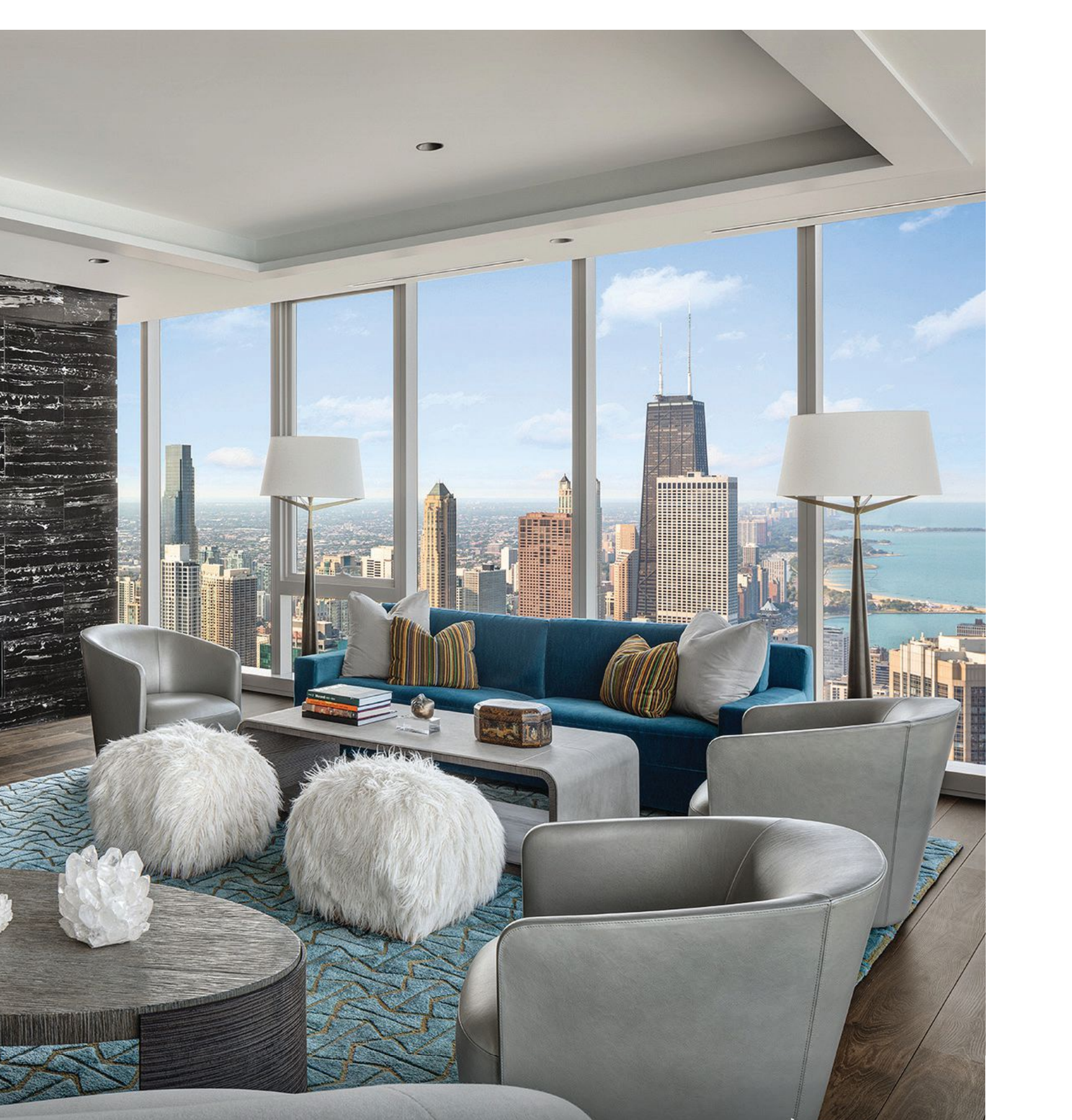
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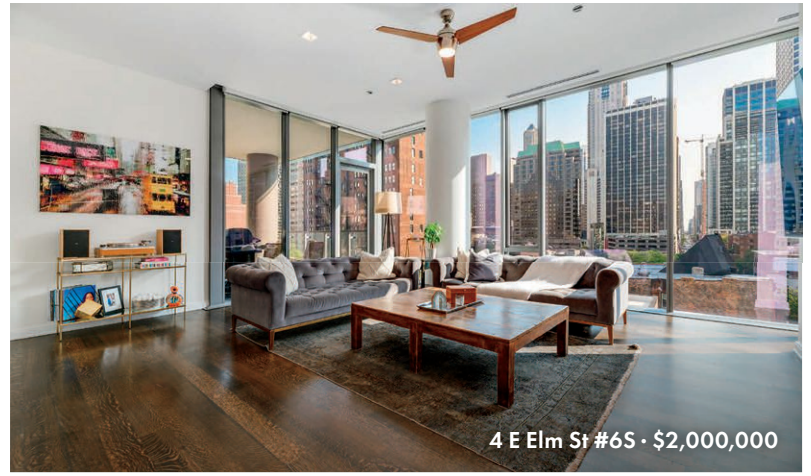
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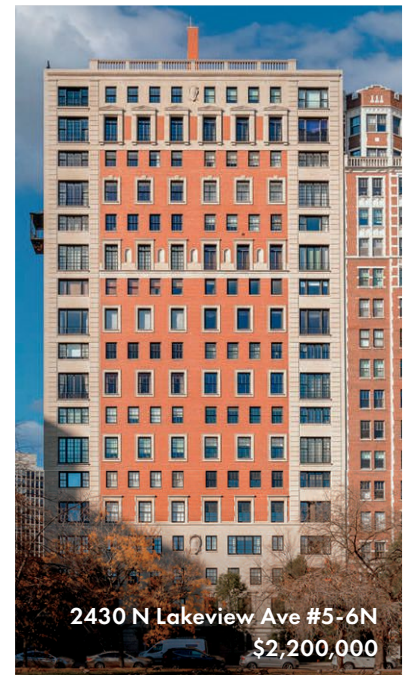
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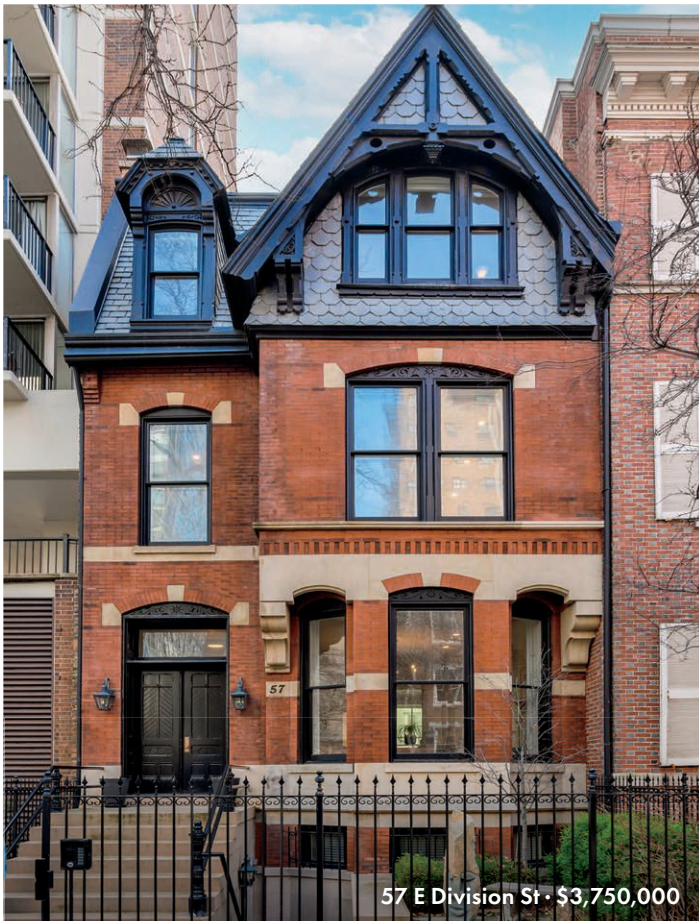
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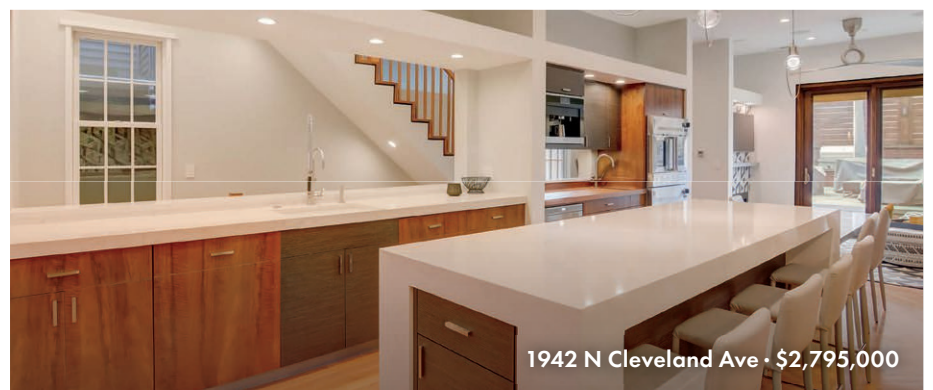
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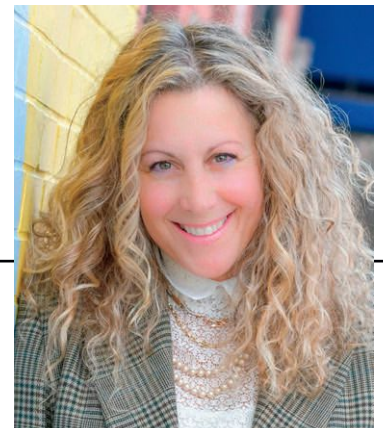


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Welcome to the annual Power Issue of *CS*. We are honored to present this edition, which is dedicated to spotlighting the city's must-know dynamos, who all continue to contribute to making Chicago a world-class city.

In this issue's Power Players special

section, we check in with some of the Windy City's top talents across a range of industries, from hospitality and real estate to finance and food. Their dedication, creativity and passion set them apart, and they all continuously raise the bar in their respective fields.

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Speaking of power players: Chicago Fire FC's new star midfielder Kellyn Acosta, whom we chat with in this issue, brings a fresh energy to the city's sports scene.



who are the true power players in our book. Your support and collaboration are essential in showcasing the best of Chicago—and I'm proud to say this issue is a prime example of just that.

I invite you to dive into these pages and explore the stories that define our city's spirit. Cheers to summer, and enjoy the issue!

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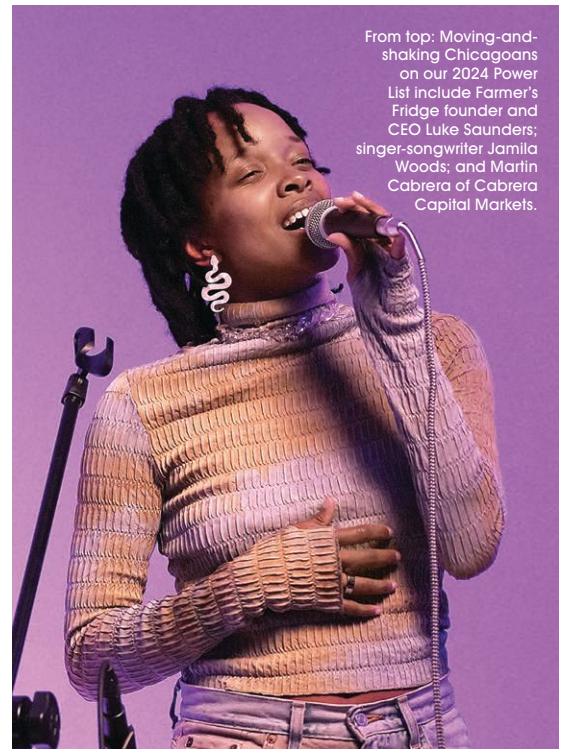
Elsewhere in the issue, we've got

everything you need to live your best alfresco life now that spring has well and truly sprung, from our ultimate guide to Logan Square (the expansive patio at Parson's Chicken & Fish is still a fave) to our back page profile of style icon and athlete Kellyn Acosta—even more reason to check out the Chicago Fire at Soldier Field. All that plus a look at the St. Regis' hot new Tuscan restaurant Tre Dita and a roundup of the best mocktails in town, and you've got yourself one powerful issue of *CS*. Enjoy!

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From top: Moving-and-shaking Chicagoans on our 2024 Power List include Farmer's Fridge founder and CEO Luke Saunders; singer-songwriter Jamila Woods; and Martin Cabrera of Cabrera Capital Markets.



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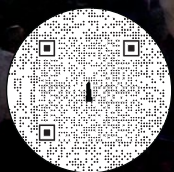
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Gabby Thomas

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Makeup: Dior Prestige Le Nectar Premier, Dior Forever Skin Glow foundation, Dior Forever Glow Star Filter, Diorshow Lash Maximizer 4D, Diorshow mascara and Dior Lip Glow Oil. Manicure: Dior Vernis.

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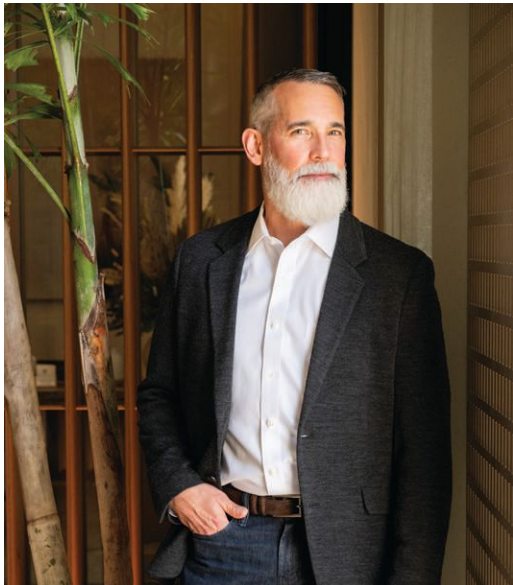


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XANADU GARDENS AT THE OASIS AT DEATH VALLEY, CA

A Unique Summer Getaway at an Oasis Resort

BY VERONICA STODDART
MODERN LUXURY SPOTLIGHT

Oases are magical places that have captivated the imagination for centuries. Beckoning with their unexpected bursts of green amid an endless expanse of tawny sand, these extraordinary desert gardens offer a vital life-sustaining source of water in a hostile environment. Fought over for centuries, these rare accidents of nature are prized sanctuaries in the scorching desert.

What exactly is an oasis? It's an area in an otherwise arid region made fertile by a source of freshwater that supports plant and animal life. The water comes from a natural spring or other underground source, making true oases rare throughout the world.

For travelers seeking these miracles of the desert, a small handful of high-end resorts offer stylish accommodations at some of the world's most beautiful oases. One of them is right here in America and recently benefited from a \$200 million upgrade.

Oasis Resort in America's Great Desert

Ancient waters bubble up from the ground to support an entire ecosystem at the Oasis at Death Valley, a secluded resort tucked into one of the world's most dramatic desert settings, the 3.4-million-acre Death Valley

National Park (the largest park in the Lower 48). This wondrous summer vacation destination in America's great desert is just two hours from Las Vegas and a little more than four hours from Los Angeles.

It offers spring-fed pools averaging a comfortable 87 degrees, the lowest USGA golf course on earth, cascading bougainvillea-adorned Xanadu Gardens, and spring-watered groves of stately date palms.

Dating to 1927, the historic property encompasses two lodgings: the luxurious AAA Four-Diamond The Inn at Death Valley and the family-friendly The Ranch at Death Valley. The historically accurate restoration preserved the original design, materials and colors of the buildings, while updating the infrastructure to modern standards. Accommodations at the 66-room Inn marry classic decor with modern amenities. Guests can also stay in one of 22 new Inn casitas or 80 new Ranch cottages.

In the evening, dine on classic fare while gazing at the desert salt pans and majestic Panamint Mountains. Watch a glorious sunset from one of the stone patios or admire the Milky Way from the Stargazers Deck in this internationally recognized Gold Tier Dark Sky Park.



SPRING-FED POOL AT THE INN AT THE OASIS AT DEATH VALLEY, CA

And don't miss the Last Kind Words Saloon, a cowboy paraphernalia-festooned throwback to the Old West.

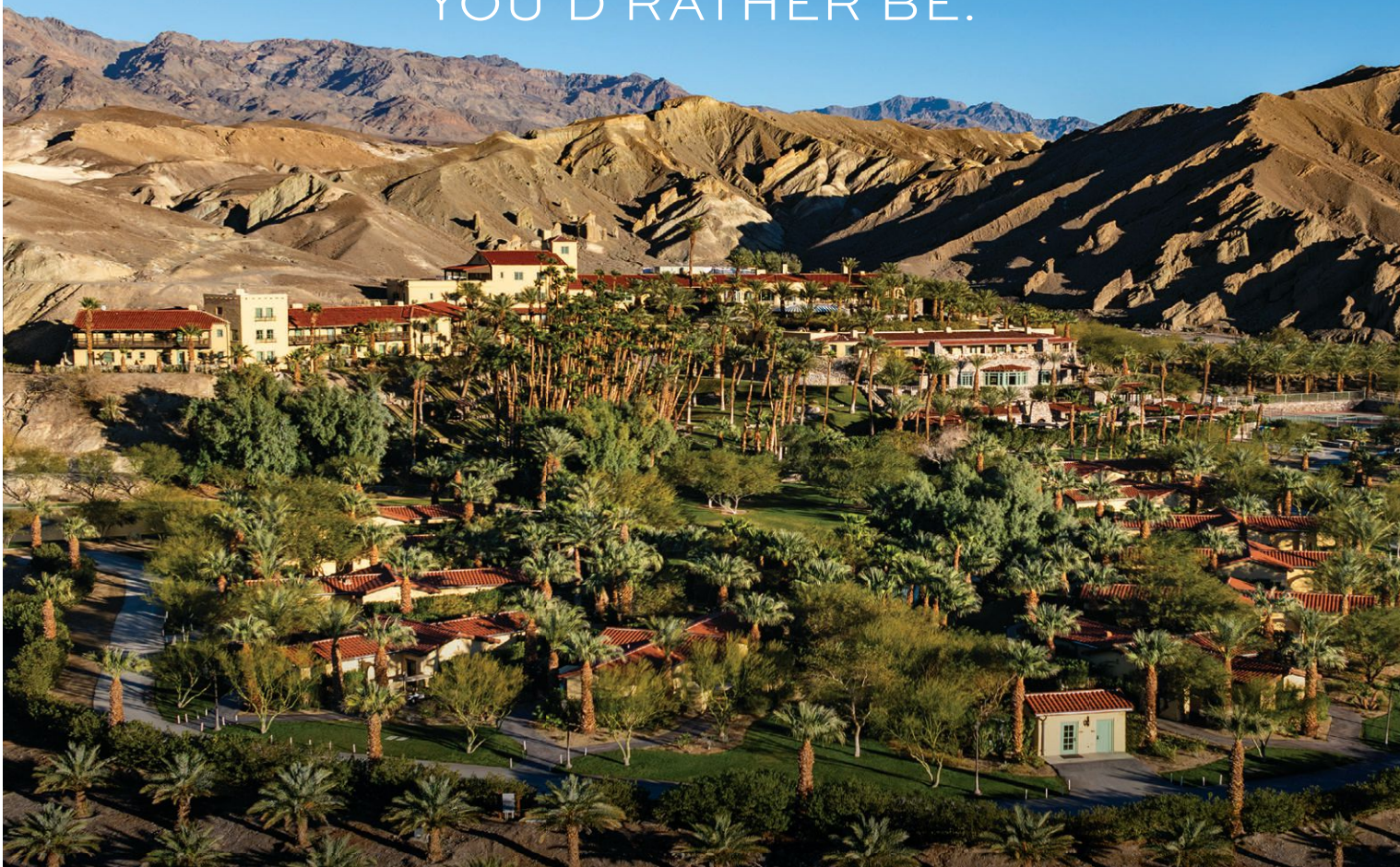
No wonder basketball Hall of Famer and broadcaster Bill Walton has been a regular guest at the Inn for more than two decades. "It's everything I love. I love nature, I love the changing light, I love the desert air here," he says. "The spring that feeds this resort is just phenomenal. The quality of the water is phenomenal."

"They took paradise and they made it better," he adds. "Every time I come here, it's such a healing place, it's such an inspiring place...a place of enlightenment and

imagination and creativity. You're just awestruck by the magnificence and the grandeur of nature in Death Valley."

The former travel editor of "USA TODAY," Veronica Stoddart is a multi-award-winning travel writer, whose work has appeared in dozens of publications and websites. She considers travel a force for good in the world.

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Georgia O'Keeffe, "East River from the 30th Story of the Shelton Hotel" (1928)



A NEW PERSPECTIVE

Born in 1887, late American artist Georgia O'Keeffe is best known for her intriguing, vibrant paintings of flowers and New Mexico landscapes.

But in the Art Institute of Chicago's new exhibition, *Georgia O'Keeffe: "My New Yorks,"* works from a strikingly different era of her decades-long career take center stage. "[These works] date from a critical moment in her career before she begins spending time in the Southwest and demonstrate O'Keeffe's innovative and incredibly wide-ranging aesthetic expression in the 1920s and beyond," says Annelise K. Madsen, Gilda and Henry Buchbinder Associate Curator, Arts of the Americas. The nearly 100 works feature a range of media, including paintings, drawings, pastels and photographs, and include vistas from the perspective of her home at the then-new Shelton Hotel, which was the world's tallest residential skyscraper at the time, as well as depictions of dynamic cityscapes. Says Sarah Kelly Oehler, Field-McCormick Chair and Curator, Arts of the Americas, "We hope visitors come away with a new understanding of and appreciation for these dynamic compositions, and how they are an essential body of work among her modernist experiments." *June 2-Sept. 22, 111 S. Michigan Ave., artic.edu* BY LAUREN BROCATO

FOUR REASONS TO LINGER LONGER IN SAINT VINCENT & THE GRENADINES



Sandals® Resorts, the iconic Caribbean brand, expands its portfolio—and what all-inclusive, elevated travel means—with its latest opening.

By Cindy Hatcher

Travelers may be familiar with Saint Vincent and The Grenadines from sailing or yachting experiences, but now they can extend their stay on this amazingly breathtaking set of southern Caribbean islands via an upscale, all-inclusive option at Sandals' latest opening.

The Sandals family of resorts—known for being a Caribbean family-owned brand—has been redefining what all-inclusive means for more than 40 years. Its distinctly modern interpretation of luxury travel offers expansive dining options with fresh Caribbean fare and spacious accommodations that capture the natural beauty and sanctuary-like feel of the island.

Here are four reasons why we're moving Sandals Saint Vincent and The Grenadines to the top of our travel list this year.

THE LOCATION + VIEW

The magic of this destination is its location, perfectly nestled in a secluded cove, surrounded by dramatic hills, lush rainforests and hidden waterfalls—culminating in beautiful beaches where watersports and relaxation take equal importance. Find endless shades of blue exploring the Tobago Cays or practice your yoga mountaintop as a

Sandals Saint Vincent and The Grenadines will help you reconsider your notion of leaving your world behind, transporting you to a genuinely awe-inspiring, flavorful new place that will linger in your memories for years to come.

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Top to Bottom: 1) The natural beauty of Saint Vincent, tucked away in Sandals' private cove. 2) Relax poolside or enjoy the white-sand beaches, just steps away. 3) Family-style dining gets the luxe treatment at the resort's Buccan restaurant. 4) Room options include a swim-up suite with a Patio Tranquility Soaking Tub. Photos by Heidi Harris

light rain trickles on the leaves around you. Sunset lovers: Get a front-row seat along the white-sand beach for Mother Nature's colorful grandeur each evening as the sun fades into the sea.

THE CULTURE + HOSPITALITY

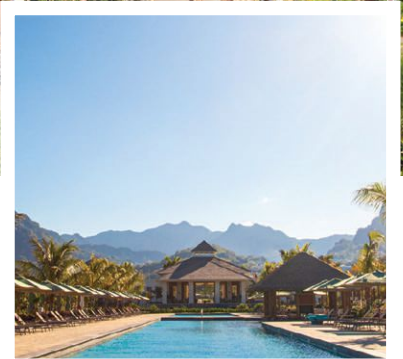
The resort's Caribbean staff—many of them proudly from "Vincy" itself—are warmly hospitable, eager to showcase the natural beauty of the island, and even more so to ensure your stay is relaxing and memorable. Opt for Butler Service to take your experience to the next level, and make sure to save time for evening activities that honor local traditions, such as the Big Drum Celebration.

THE FOOD + DRINK

From fresh and trendy salad-and-grain bowls at lunch to the truly unforgettable communal dining experience of Buccan—here, chefs pay tribute to authentic, local ingredients over an open fire, and dishes are meant to be shared family-style—the menus are intentional and creative and the ingredients provide a culinary escape from the expected.

THE ROOMS + AMENITIES

Regardless of what type of vacation you're looking to have, Sandals has the right room for you. Fitness enthusiast? You can book a room with its own exercise bike and hand weights. Right on the water more your speed? Try a beachfront villa or one of the resort's amazing overwater villas. Traveling with another couple or a group of friends? The resort offers a two-bedroom option with a private pool.



Hashiguchi Goy's "This Beauty (Kono bijin) Poster for Mitsukoshi" (1911) is featured in the Smart Museum of Art's show *Meiji Modern: 50 Years of New Japan*.

Save the Date

MODERN LUXURY'S EDITORS HAVE CURATED YOUR GUIDE TO CHICAGO'S HOTTEST CULTURAL HAPPENINGS IN JUNE.

BY DOREEN ABRIL ALBUERNE RODRIGUEZ



Music Festival has enthralled Chicagoans with performances from world-class artists like pianist Michelle Cann, violinist Rachel Barton Pine and clarinetist Afendi Yusuf. This season, the 10-week classical music series returns to Millennium Park's Pritzker Pavilion for a 20th year with a star-studded program, including performances by award-winning German cellist Alban Gerhardt and world premieres from composer and pianist Clarice Assad and composer Nathalie Joachim, both Grammy nominees.
201 E. Randolph St., grantparkmusicfestival.com

6/14 - 30

HEART STRINGS: CREATING CONNECTIONS TO THE WORLD'S CHILDREN

Multimedia studio Moment Factory and UNICEF USA have partnered to create an immersive storytelling exhibit at the Ritz-Carlton at Water Tower Place. The experience connects attendees of all ages with children worldwide by highlighting the lives and urgent stories of children and their families across the globe. 160 E. Pearson St., heartstringsunicef.org

Through 6/9

MEIJI MODERN: FIFTY YEARS OF NEW JAPAN
The Smart Museum of Art at the University of Chicago presents more than 130 artworks from Japan's Meiji era (1868-1912), ranging from paintings, objects, prints and more. The show explores how this period ushered the country into modernity during a time of political upheaval, imperial expansion and economic transformation. 5550 S. Greenwood Ave., smartmuseum.uchicago.edu

6/1 - 3/2

ARTHUR JAJA: WORKS FROM THE MCA COLLECTION
The Museum of Contemporary Art presents an immersive exhibit of artist and filmmaker Arthur Jaja's work. Explore the Los Angeles-based maker's sculptures, photographs and videos from the museum's permanent collection to explore the diverse and complex realities of Black being. 220 E. Chicago Ave., mcachicago.org

6/4 - 7/14

SIX
Crowd-pleasing, Tony Award-winning musical *SIX* returns to the stage at the James M. Nederlander Theatre this month. Set to a soundtrack of original power pop anthems, the hit show tells the stories of King Henry VIII of England's six wives. 24 W. Randolph St., broadwayinchicago.com

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MIDNIGHT IN THE GARDEN OF GOOD AND EVIL
Thirty years after John Berendt's book became a bestselling sensation and Pulitzer Prize nominee, *Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil* makes its much-anticipated world premiere as a musical on the Goodman Theatre stage. The seductive show, directed by Tony Award-winner Rob Ashford, follows wealthy Georgian Jim Williams, who is accused of murder, and the dark secrets behind Savannah's citizenry. 170 N. Dearborn St., goodmantheatre.org

Tuscany on the River

L.A. STAR CHEF EVAN FUNKE COLLABS WITH LETTUCE ENTERTAIN YOU TO UNVEIL TRE DITA, THE FIRST CERTIFIED TUSCAN RESTAURANT IN THE U.S., AT THE ST. REGIS CHICAGO.

BY J.P. ANDERSON



From top: Exquisite pastas like a classic pumpkin-stuffed *tortelli di zucca* are one of Tre Dita's calling cards thanks to an onsite temperature- and humidity-controlled "pasta lab"; the dining room balances soaring views and intimate vibes.



Italian cuisine is one of the Windy City's most beloved, from red sauce joints in Little Italy to contemporary fare at spots like Monteverde, Osteria Langhe and more. But among all of Chicago's offerings, not a single restaurant here or in the entire U.S. has been certified as authentically Tuscan by Italian culinary authority

Vetrina Toscana. That is, until now: It's Tre Dita at the St. Regis Chicago, a collab between Lettuce Entertain You Restaurants and L.A. star chef Evan Funke.

"Tre Dita is an homage to my love for cucina Toscana," says Funke, "and we are incredibly honored that Vetrina Toscana has named Tre Dita as the first certified Tuscan restaurant in the

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From left: One of Tre Dita's prime steak cuts, each sliced and plated for optimal sharing; chef Evan Funke.



United States. With that honor comes a great responsibility to ensure that the traditions of Tuscany are represented in the most respectful manner possible. It is truly a privilege to celebrate Tuscany—its food, culture, and extraordinary products.”

Italian for “three fingers,” the restaurant’s name pays homage to the exact thickness of a proper bistecca Fiorentina, which the restaurant cooks up in its open-hearth, wood-fired grill. Another factor that makes the place stand out? Funke’s signature temperature- and humidity-controlled “pasta lab,” where chefs hand-make the kitchen’s pappardelle, linguine, tagliatelle and more.

The stylish space provides a fittingly chic backdrop for Funke’s cuisine. Spread across nearly 9,000 square feet on two levels (including a double-height main dining room that seats 130), the room delivers Tuscan vibes with Italian marble, architectural elements and sophisticated forest green and blue leather upholstered banquettes. Ultimately, though, the focus is squarely on the food, with tempting offerings like that bistecca Fiorentina (a 60-day dry-aged 42-ounce behemoth) plus comparatively lighter fare—



From above: Handsome, inviting Bar Tre Dita beckons with rich colors and textures, not to mention a menu boasting more than 400 spirits from around the world; Funke at work in the restaurant’s signature “pasta lab.”

think house-baked focaccia, fried squash blossoms with ricotta and parmigiano reggiano, spaghetti with clams, and grilled branzino with artichokes and shaved fennel.

Funke’s current fave on the menu right now? The chef behind L.A. hot spots Felix and Mother Wolf demurs. “It’s not really

about a single dish. The whole menu is spectacular—the menu moves through the seasons and the dishes vivify the depth and richness of the Tuscan kitchen in the most colorful, respectful, and authentic way possible.”
401 E. Wacker Drive, 2nd Floor,
treditarestaurant.com



WHERE TO EAT

CELLAR DOOR PROVISIONS

This no-nonsense, no-reservations wine bar and eatery has been gaining accolades since it opened nearly 10 years ago—so it’s no big surprise that it was named among the city’s 2023 crop of Michelin Bib Gourmand recipients. 3025 W. Diversey Ave., cellardoorprovisions.com

DAISIES

Vegetables play a leading role at chef-partner Joe Frillman’s charming 70-seat Logan Square spot, but he also taps into his talent for pasta making, which he discovered working at Balena and The Bristol. Look for seasonal pastas ranging from pappardelle with mushroom ragu to addictive whole wheat tagliatelle with walnuts. 2375 N. Milwaukee Ave., daisieschicago.com

GIANT

From Jonah crab salad with waffle fries and cocktail sauce to bucatini with bacon, jalapeno and anchovy, crowd-pleasing, whip-smart cuisine is on the menu at chef Jason Vincent’s beloved neighborhood fave. Pro tip: The team’s next door Pizza Matta is low-key one of the city’s best pie joints. 3209 W. Armitage Ave., giantrestaurant.com

KYOTEN

Omakase restaurants are a dime a dozen in Chicago these days, but few can stand up to chef Otto Phan’s exquisite tasting menu, an intimate seafood journey of 2.5-3 hours that is sensational—and seriously expensive at a whopping \$440-\$490 before beverages. 2507 W. Armitage Ave., kyotenchicago.com



Logan Square 101

BOASTING ARGUABLY THE MOST STACKED DINING AND DRINKING SCENE IN THE CITY, THIS NORTHWEST SIDE HIPSTER HAVEN ALSO SERVES UP CHIC SHOPPING, ONE OF THE CITY’S BEST PUBLIC SPACES AND MORE. HERE ARE OUR ESSENTIAL PICKS.

BY J.P. ANDERSON

LARDON

Charcuterie and salumi is an art form at this hot spot—and the stunning meat and cheese boards are masterpieces in themselves, exquisitely arranged with toothsome selections like succulent spreadable ‘nduja, spicy saucisson l’ail and artisanal cheeses with all the accompaniments, from almonds and olives to seasonal jam and grainy mustard. 2200 N. California Ave., lardonchicago.com



From top: The Illinois Centennial Monument is a beacon in Logan Square’s eponymous park; a mouthwatering spread of pastas and more at Daisies. Opposite page, from top: Osteria Langhe is one of the city’s top Italian spots; smartly curated selects at Logan Mercantile.

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LONGMAN & EAGLE

One of the 'hood's great hangouts, this lively farm-to-table restaurant and whiskey bar beckons with soul-satisfying grub (the wild boar sloppy joe is a classic) and expertly made cocktails. 2657 N. Kedzie Ave., longmanandeagle.com

LULA CAFE

This iconic, community-focused dining destination from chef Jason Hammel and Amalea Tshilds offers mostly organic, very veg-friendly farm-to-table plates like chickpea and fennel tagine and steak tartare with smoked beets and crispy lentils. 2537 N. Kedzie Blvd., lulacafe.com

MI TOCAYA ANTOJERIA

Chef Diana Davila and team serve up creative takes on classic Mexican dishes like elote-style spaghetti squash, broccolini al carbon and charred salsa- and beer-braised chicken thighs. 2800 W. Logan Blvd., mitocaya.com

OSTERIA LANGHE

Inspired by the Piemonte region

of northern Italy, this cozy and convivial spot from Aldo Zaninotto offers delectable plates like bagna cauda, gnocchi with prosciutto, peas and kale, and Slagel Farms lamb with crispy potato wedges and gremolata. 2824 W. Armitage Ave., osterialanghe.com

WHAT TO SEE & DO

THE 606

Officially known as the Bloomingdale Trail, this former rail line is now a 2.7-mile system of parks and trails that has given the city's northwest side much-needed green space for walkers, bikers and families to explore. *Bloomingdale Avenue between Ashland and Ridgeway avenues, the606.org*



THE LOGAN THEATRE

This classic movie house opened in 1915 and has been a community staple ever since. Expect a lineup of independent-leaning arthouse fare, Tuesday trivia nights in the lounge and late-night showings of classics like *Taxi Driver* and *Donnie Darko*. 2646 N. Milwaukee Ave., thelogantheatre.com

ROSA'S LOUNGE

A must-visit destination for blues fans since 1984, this iconic music destination boasts a welcoming vibe and a spectrum of performers ranging from traditional to modern. 3420 W. Armitage Ave., rosaslounge.com

WHERE TO SHOP

CITY LIT BOOKS

This dog-friendly, community-minded bookstore focuses on contemporary fiction and nonfiction and draws a community crowd for book clubs, author readings, storytelling and more. 2523 N. Kedzie Blvd., citylitbooks.com

FELT CHICAGO

A smartly curated mix of emerging and established designers populate the racks of this upscale

women's boutique, which focuses on personalized service to help customers build or round out their wardrobe. 2317 N. Milwaukee Ave., feltchicago.com

LOGAN MERCANTILE

Discover a hypercurated selection of chic home goods from around the globe—think exquisite Japanese measuring cups and British tree swings—at this eminently browseable storefront. 3505 W. Fullerton Ave., shop.loganmercantile.com

HIT THE TOWN

BILLY SUNDAY

This award-winning cocktail bar is one of the city's fave mixology spots and serves an array of classics, seasonal libations, spirit-free drinks and more, plus creative takes on bar snacks (duck snickerdoodles, anyone?). 3143 W. Logan Blvd., billy-sunday.com

THE MEADOWLARK

This sultry, low-lit mixology haven is hidden behind an unmarked door next to its sibling Lardon, but that hasn't stopped Chicago cocktail lovers from packing the place for its ubercreative libations from day one. 2812 W. Palmer St., meadowlarkchicago.com

SCOFFLAW

Gin is the focus of this neighborhood fave, though you'll find plenty of other spirits haunting the smart cocktail list, along with a surprisingly toothsome food menu with plates like fire chicken scallion pancake and black sesame beignets with miso caramel. 3201 W. Armitage Ave., scofflawchicago.com

SOIF

Downstairs from always-hopping Italian joint Testaccio, this swank wine bar offers a little taste of Paris with red velvet banquettes from legendary Chicago brasserie La Sardine and a Champagne-centric wine list. 2456 N. California Ave., soifchicago.com

THE WHISTLER

This hipster bar is many things—record label, gallery and performance venue among them—but it's best known for its smart, creative list of cocktails, which it's been shaking up since 2008. 2421 N. Milwaukee Ave., whistlerchicago.com



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Zero-Proof Zest

SPIRIT-FREE BEVERAGE PROGRAMS ARE SERIOUS BUSINESS THESE DAYS AT CHICAGO'S TOP RESTAURANTS AND BARS. FROM REFRESHING SODAS AND CREATIVE JUICE COMBOS TO OF-THE-MOMENT ZERO-PROOF LIQUORS, THESE ARE SOME OF OUR FAVORITE WAYS TO SIP AND STAY SOBER AROUND TOWN.

BY THE EDITORS



SUSHI-SAN

This sushi fave is so dedicated to its spirit-free offerings that they have their own menu—the N.W.A, as in “nothin’ with alcohol.” A popular pick is The Glitter Bomb, which is a shot of strawberry cordial and fresh coconut water (with edible glitter) dropped into housemade banana soda. 63 W. Grand Ave., sushisanrestaurant.com

Sushi-San's popular alcohol-free Glitter Bomb is just as fun as a classic cocktail.

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Daisies' earthy mushroom sour features shiitake mushroom, demerara, lemon and egg white.

ARBELLA

River North cocktail lounge
Arbella pours two of our favorite N/A libations in town: Smoking Kills (lemon-ginger kombucha, lime and ginger-beer with infused smoke) and Secret Window (London dry spirit-free, hibiscus, peachtree sipping vinegar and citrus). 112 W. Grand Ave., arbellschicago.com

DAISIES

It's no surprise that this Logan Square hot spot—a recipient of Chicago's first Michelin Green star for its exceptional sustainability practices—would have an equally impressive slate of N/A offerings. Among the menu's featured cocktails, herbal sodas and shrubs is one mainstay: the Mushroom Sour, a sweet-and-savory sipper featuring housemade syrup made from fermented mushroom stems. 2375 N. Milwaukee Ave., daisieschicago.com



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Glad Matt Is Gone-Lada from Arbella is made with ube syrup, oat milk, lime, pineapple, soda water and cinnamon.

ESMÉ

Director of beverages Stevan Miller crafts all the syrups, shrubs and juices used in their innovative booze-free creations in-house. Offerings include a spirit-free pairing with its tasting menu and spirit-free cocktails. 2200 N. Clark St., esmechicago.com

FORMENTO'S

At Formento's, Italian-inspired beverages include the Javanese (espresso, Q ginger beer and lemon demerara) and Havana (Seedlip Garden, pineapple juice fresh citrus and Q hibiscus ginger beer). 925 W. Randolph St., formentos.com

FIORETTA

This Fulton Market hot spot tempts with a house-favorite drink: Pineapple punch, with Seedlip, grapefruit, pineapple, cardamom, ginger and lemon. 318 N. Sangamon St., fiorettasteak.com

LÝRA

LÝRA offers delicious nonalcoholic beverages like the Halara (Amass zero proof, pomegranate, lemon, mint and tonic) and Cypress (Amass zero proof, pineapple, lime and ginger). 905 W. Fulton Market, byrarestaurant.com CONTINUED...



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Three Dots and a Dash serves the Undead Reckoning, made with verjus rouge, pineapple, lemon, maple, vanilla and sarsaparilla.



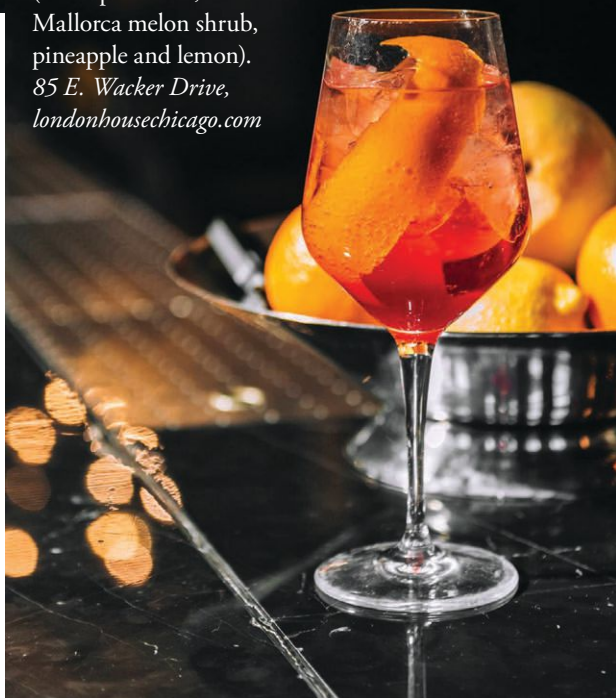
THREE DOTS AND A DASH

Staying clear-headed at this beloved tiki bar can be particularly challenging given the boozy nature of most of the libations on offer (we're looking at you, Rum Barrel). Now there's a solution that involves neither club soda nor cranberry: Undead Reckoning, a spirit-free version of the classic rum-based Dead Reckoning, this one made with tangy verjus rouge that imitates the red wine notes normally contributed by late bottle vintage port. *435 N. Clark St., Alley, threedotschicago.com*

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LONDONHOUSE CHICAGO

One of the city's premier rooftop destinations, this riverside hangout boasts stunning views and a see-and-be-seen crowd—plus a slate of tempting N/A drinks to boot, like the Aperitif & Soda (bitter-sweet aperitif cordial, soda and orange) and One In A Melon (Seedlip Garden, RTC Mallorca melon shrub, pineapple and lemon). *85 E. Wacker Drive, londonhousechicago.com*



LondonHouse's aperitif soda is a must-try N/A sip.

NOBU CHICAGO

Nobu has amped up its N/A game with mocktails like the yuzu strawberry Calpico, made with strawberry Calpico, yuzu, lime and mint. *854 W. Randolph St., noburestaurants.com*

PIGTAIL

This speakeasy inside José Andrés' River North spot Jaleo beckons with an extensive libations menu and zero-proof sips like Squaring the Circle (spiritless Kentucky 74, spiritless amaretti, maple syrup and cumin tincture). *500 N. Clark St., pigtailcocktail.com*

PRIME & PROVISIONS

Pair your premium dry-aged cut of steak with a light, booze-

free cocktail crafted using bright flavors and refreshing fruit juices. Pomegranate mint (100% pomegranate juice, lemon San Pellegrino, blood orange and mint leaves) and spiced grapefruit (Spice 94 Seedlip nonalcoholic spirit, grapefruit juice, soda and lime) are standouts. *222 N. LaSalle Blvd., primeandprovisions.com*

YARDBIRD

Head to Yardbird to dine on locally sourced farm-fresh menu items and imbibe spirit-free cocktail creations like the RiNo cream soda (peach, passion fruit or blood orange, vanilla and Q club soda). *530 N. Wabash Ave., runchickenrun.com*

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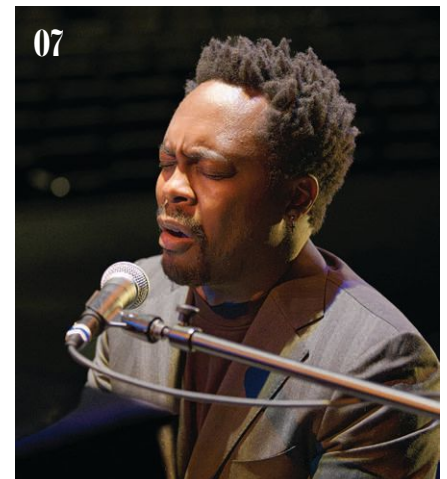
BY J.P. ANDERSON

Chicago fashion guru and boutique owner Ikram Goldman sees new jewelry lines every day, so it takes something special to catch her eye. That's exactly what Italian brand Noshi did recently, and she's dubbed it one of her favorite lines to wear right now. "Noshi is fun, everyday jewelry that's light on the body, light on the ears—fun, colorful earrings and rings made of plated gold. With the amount of jewelry I see every day, this stands out in that it's airy; it's like the outline of a flower, a bird or a little fish that dangles from the ears in the most beautiful way." Even better, says Goldman, the pieces are versatile enough to wear for a variety of occasions. "You can see how a girl can wear the bird earrings or the long dangle flower earrings for daytime or for nighttime. It's an easy collection to throw on, and I just feel like the brand's moment is right." *15 E. Huron St., ikram.com*



With its depictions of everything from flowers and birds to insects and starfish, jewelry by Noshi expresses sophisticated glamour with a touch of whimsy.





An Artful Affair

THE PARTY The Harris Theater for Music and Dance played host for the 3Arts Awards, a festive night recognizing artists for their talent and community impact.

THE PEOPLE 3Arts executive director **Esther Grimm** hosted the evening and welcomed the more than 600 attendees.

Will Liverman, a Grammy Award-winning opera singer, took the stage with a powerful performance, followed by a dance excerpt presented by critically acclaimed choreographer **Stephanie Martinez**.

THE PINNACLE Ten Chicago artists were given an unrestricted grant of \$30,000, and five previous awardees were given a second award of \$50,000. Plus, last year's Make a Wave recipients selected another 10 Chicago artists to each receive an unrestricted grant of \$2,000.

—DOREEN ABRIL ALBUERNE RODRIGUEZ

01/ PARA.MAR Dance Theatre put on a riveting performance. 02/ Katari Sylvain and Jacinda Bullie 03/ Avery R. Young 04/ Rika Lin and Avreeayl Ra 05/ Regin Igloria and Miguel Aguilar 06/ Esther Grimm 07/ Will Liverman

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Foodie Fete

THE PARTY Celebrating 20 years of culinary excellence, Boka Restaurant Group gathered the crème de la crème of the country's gastronomic and hospitality scene to celebrate its flagship restaurant, Boka. Led by visionary chef **Lee Wolen** and his team, guests collaborated on a delectable 10-course tasting experience. **THE PEOPLE** This event was attended by an ensemble of renowned chefs, mixologists and hospitality legends such as **Kim Mok, Nancy Silverton, Mindy Segal, Andrew Zimmern** and more.

THE PINNACLE The evening also marked the much-anticipated debut of the Michelin-starred restaurant's new volume, *Boka: The Cookbook*.

—DAAR



01/ Brian Shrago and Lee Wolen **02/** Boka's culinary team **03/** Ivy Mix **04/** Chef Anne Kim prepared oxtail mandu with kimchi, scallion and chili. **05/** Kevin Boehm, Lee Wolen and Rob Katz **06/** Kevin Boehm addressed the crowd of industry insiders and enthusiastic Boka fans.



For the Kids

THE PARTY The Jackson Chance Foundation's ninth annual Ping Pong Ball was hosted at ping pong social club SPIN CHICAGO in River North to support the organization's mission to aid families while their children are in the NICU.

THE PEOPLE Nearly 300 guests attended, including chair **Ed Kruschka**, a board member who experienced the power of the foundation when his baby was born. **Kelli Snider** of Northwestern Prentice Women's Hospital of Chicago was named winner of the foundation's 2023 Owl Give Award, which gifts an all-expense vacation to a NICU staff member.

THE PINNACLE The event's earnings exceeded \$315,000, which goes toward parking fees for families with critically ill infants in the NICU. **—DAAR**

- 01/ Violeta Podrumedic, Chris Petlak and Nikki Belucci
- 02/ Anthony Filomena gets into the ping pong spirit.
- 03/ Ed Kruschka, Kelli Snider and Carrie Meghie
- 04/ Carrie Meghie, Ryan Chiaverini and Beth Heller
- 05/ Ping Pong Ball champ Dwight Blackman in action
- 06/ Jon Waltz, Elijah Jobba Maxey Jr., Val Warner and Mat Waltz



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Stronger Together

THE PARTY The Union League Boys & Girls Clubs gathered at the Union League Club for its elegant 46th annual gala, titled “Strong, Safe, Here to Support Chicago Youth!”

THE PEOPLE Catherine Bernardi and Nancy Ross co-chaired the event, and alumni Ruben Plaza, Alexis Hernandez and Air Force Site Coordinator KeMarius Lee emceed.

THE PINNACLE The evening raised more than \$450,000 to support the after-school development needs of youth in Chicago neighborhoods with the highest hardship index. The funds benefit programming centered on academic success, good character and citizenship and healthy lifestyles to over 13,000 youth at 19 club sites across Chicago. -DAAR

- 01/** Amirali Jivani, Iren Ganeva, Janet Velez, Hector Perez, David Levron and Ka'Treelah Steward
- 02/** Pamela Dome
- 03/** William Wigoda and Linda Jakubs
- 04/** Amy and DJ Shade
- 05/** Catherine and Tom Bernardi





01

A Sweet Evening

THE PARTY The AIDS Foundation Chicago's World of Chocolate Fundraiser was hosted at Union Station, where guests sampled treats crafted by 14 Chicagoland chocolatiers and confectioners. From sweet to savory to boozy delights, the inventive bites included truffles, jalapeno-infused bon bons, and octopus-garnished chocolate.

THE PEOPLE AIDS Foundation Chicago president and CEO **John Peller** thanked the roughly 1,000 attendees for supporting the organization's mission to end the HIV epidemic by 2030.

THE PINNACLE Nearly \$200,000 was raised to support the vital services AFC provides to thousands of Chicagoans annually, guided by the mission to create equity and justice for people living with HIV or chronic conditions. —DAAR



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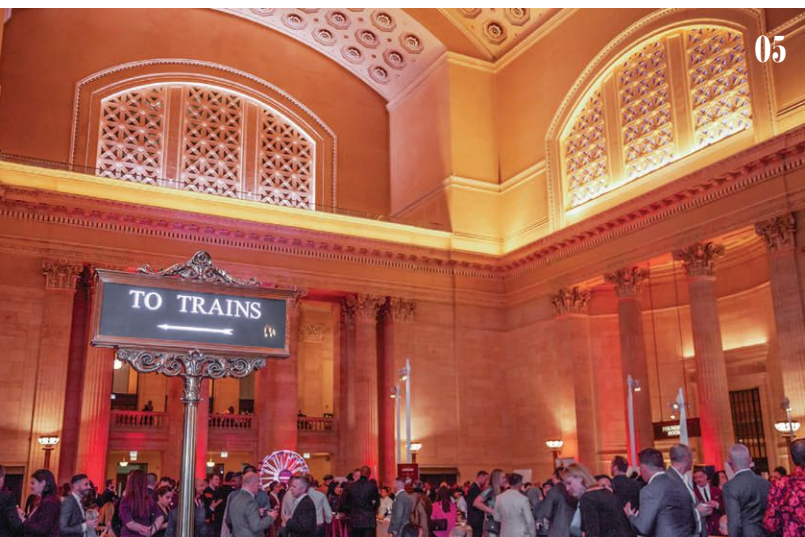


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- 01/ A chocolate Ferris wheel set a festive scene.
- 02/ Geoffrey Brown
- 03/ John Peller with Best Small Business winner chef Uzma Sharif of Chocolate Uzma
- 04/ Christina Robinson and Jonathan Harris
- 05/ Guests mingled over sweet treats inside Union Station.
- 06/ Delectable chocolate offerings were abundant all evening.



05



06



Women United

THE PARTY Hosted at Bryn Mawr Country Club in Lincolnwood, Jewish United Fund's Women's Philanthropy held its annual Grand Event.

THE PEOPLE More than 450 women were in attendance, including influencer **Lizzy Savetsky**, who spoke about her experience as a Jewish activist.

THE PINNACLE In support of JUF's annual campaign, nearly \$500,000 was raised to provide life-saving services and life-enriching experiences for 500,000 Chicagoans of all faiths and millions of Jews worldwide. -DAAR

01/ Lizzy Savetsky 02/ Lori Fogelson and Ariel Derringer 03/ Susan Berk and Jill Steinfeld Cunniff 04/ Whitney and Andrea Ash 05/ Amy Weinberg Olswang and Lizzy Savetsky



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KEHINDE WILEY,
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(2012, OIL ON LINEN,
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On display at the Peninsula Chicago through mid June is *A Journey*, an exhibition of 30 highlights from Pizzuti Collection curated by Dara Pizzuti and showcased throughout the hotel's public spaces—including this stunning large-scale work by Kehinde Wiley, which takes pride of place near the hotel's ground-floor entrance. 108 E. Superior St., peninsula.com/chicago

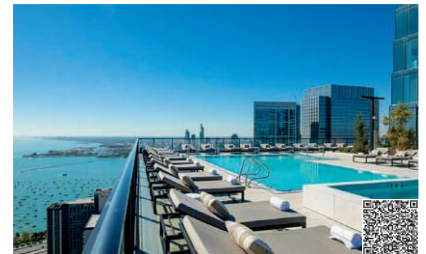




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OUT OF THIS WORLD

GRAFF LIFTS OFF WITH A STUNNING NEW COLLECTION AND CAMPAIGN. BY JAMES AGUIAR

The world of high jewelry is known for having no limits, and the latest pieces from Graff (graff.com) are no exception. The house's recent campaign entitled Galaxia quite literally celebrates the otherworldly beauty of its more than half-century of creating magical pieces. The night sky and its ever-evolving allure became the inspiration for the collection, and the result is as surreal as a dream and rooted in the reality of both strength and sensuality. There is seemingly no end to the offerings of exceptional diamonds and gemstones that Galaxia encapsulates, and you could easily get carried away to places far away in your mind. We suggest you boldly go along for the ride.

Chanel
2023/24
Métiers d'art
collection

Manchester Madness

CHANEL TOOK TO THE STREETS FOR
ITS MÉTIERS D'ART COLLECTION.

BY JAMES AGUIAR



Tilda Swinton

From the pop of color in the tweeds to the black Mary Jane shoes to the babydoll nighties, there was no mistaking Chanel (chanel.com) artistic director Virginie Viard had England on her mind for the 2023/24 Métiers d'art collection. This was, however, no mere nostalgia collection. The streets, the music, the nightlife were indeed background players as important as the colorful and completely modern looks shown on the runway. While the gritty Manchester, England, setting may have been a departure from the chic streets of Paris, this was an offering fully rooted in Gabrielle Chanel's very specific art of tailoring. Chanel, a bit of a rebel, would have loved the idea of seeing her woman carefree in a pair of jeans, leather and strapless dresses. Now, what could be more rock 'n' roll than that?



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Dior (dior.com) has once again leveled up the standard for luxury with its latest creation, the La D de Dior Archi Dior watch. This exquisite timepiece is a symphony of white gold and diamonds, meticulously crafted to dazzle and delight the most discerning tastes. Leave it to Dior to design a watch that isn't just a method to tell time but a masterpiece to wear.

The opulent white gold 38 mm case is framed by a bezel glittering with 50 round-cut diamonds totaling 2 carats. The

case is crowned with white gold, delicately set with 18 round-cut diamonds totaling 0.11 carats, each adding to the watch's luminous appeal. Below the anti-reflective sapphire crystal glass lies an onyx dial, where white gold lace details are intricately set with 74 round-cut diamonds. This design echoes the grandeur of Dior's iconic haute couture, making the dial an homage to the codes of the magnificent maison. The polished Dauphine hands sweep over the dial, pointing delicately at the applied white gold "DIOR" logo. A sleek black satin strap and



The La D de Dior Archi Dior boasts a total of 168 diamonds, summing up to approximately 2.68 carats.

white gold buckle encrusted with 26 diamonds secure the watch with elegance and ample glamour. Inside, a Swiss-made quartz movement keeps precise time, honoring the watch's functional purpose amid its decorative splendor. Despite its elaborate design, the watch promises durability with water resistance up to 30 meters.

Altogether, the remarkable timepiece presents a total of 168 diamonds, summing up to approximately 2.68 carats of the highest clarity (IF-VVS) and superb color (FG), ensuring that every second shines as a flash of brilliance.

Blue Zones

BRING ON THE PLAYFUL SUMMER BLUE HUES WITH THESE VIBRANT SHADES.

BY FAYE POWER VANDE VREDE



LOEWE x Paula's Ibiza square-frame tortoiseshell acetate sunglasses, loewe.com



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“From light azure to deep navy, add an unexpected touch of cool modernity to any outfit.”

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Dior CDior sunglasses, dior.com



Lunetterie Générale The Last Idyll sunglasses, lunetteriegenerale.com



Tiffany & Co. HardWear yellow tortoise acetate blue lens sunglasses, tiffany.com



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Gucci beige Horsebit suede loafer, gucci.com



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Dior Odéon loafer, dior.com



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Blast From the Past

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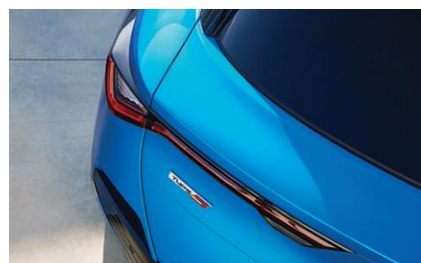
BY J.P. ANDERSON

Car lovers have been buzzing with anticipation waiting for Acura (acura.com) to make its mark on the all-electric SUV market, and now the brand has rewarded them with an impressive debut: the Acura ZDX. Touted as the brand's most powerful vehicle ever, the recently unveiled SUV lives up to its billing with some

seriously impressive numbers, as the ZDX Type S delivers a max of 500 horsepower and 544 pound-foot of maximum torque. Combine that with impressive range (up to 313 miles for the A-Spec trim), an expansive charging network and advanced tech—all wrapped up in signature luxurious Acura style—and you've got an immediate head-turner in the all-electric



From top: The sleek Acura ZDX combines eye-catching looks and primo performance; the comfortable, stylish interior; a range of performance-focused wheels add élan; the Type S delivers a muscular max of 500 horsepower.



SUV space. Sums up Acura ZDX development leader John Hwang, “Between our designers in Torrance, Calif., and engineers in Ohio and Japan, we’ve created an EV that truly embodies Precision Crafted Performance, with class-leading technology, dynamic styling and an engaging driving experience expected from an Acura.”

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BY J.P. ANDERSON

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03



ITALIA YACHTS 43 VELOCE

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04



PERSHING GTX116

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Clockwise from top left: Eddie, Bruce and Jimmy Russell represent three generations of bourbon whiskey-making at Wild Turkey; the Generations release.

limited-release, high-proof blend of 9-, 12-, 14- and 15-year-old bourbons in a single bottle that celebrates the family's legacy. The blend was bottled at barrel proof and non-chill filtered, allowing brilliant character with each sip. The creation represents the favorite taste profiles of each Russell generation: Eddie's love of softer, honeyed, vanilla-laden favors of older 14- and 15-year-old bourbons; Jimmy's affection for bold tastes found in 9-year-old bourbons; and Bruce's adoration of the showy flavors of 12-year-old bourbons.

"I've made some great whiskeys throughout my career, and Generations is going in my hall of fame," says Jimmy. "The experience of working with my son and grandson to create a blend that celebrates our family and tradition has been a highlight of my career."

I ask Eddie, who worked up the whiskey-making ladder, if he ever worried about being in his father's shadow. "That was the first thing everyone said to me early in my career, 'Your dad is a rock star. You've got big shoes to fill.' I told them I didn't want to fill his shoes. I wanted to slip them on and follow my own path." Every once in a while, as with Generations, those paths merge into one to create something fathers everywhere can celebrate.



"The experience of working with my son and grandson to create a blend that celebrates our family and tradition has been a highlight of my career."

—JIMMY RUSSELL

Father's Pride

THREE GENERATIONS OF THE RUSSELL FAMILY COLLABORATE TO UNVEIL WILD TURKEY'S GENERATIONS.

BY MICHAEL MCCARTHY

Master distiller Eddie Russell isn't into hyperbole. But I love how he describes the reaction Wild Turkey (wildturkey.com) fans have when meeting his father, Jimmy, in the brand's visitor center in Lawrenceburg, Ky. "It's like they're meeting the Michael Jordan of bourbon!"

Eddie isn't wrong. Celebrating 70 years at Wild Turkey this fall, his father is on the Mount Rushmore of whiskey-

making. He and Eddie are among the only active father-son duos of bourbon master distillers worldwide. Jimmy still shows up at the visitor center a few days a week to chat with the distillery's guests. "My father taught me to treat people the same regardless of their status, and to do things like distilling the right way," says Eddie, whose son, Bruce, is now part of the bourbon-making tradition as an associate blender.

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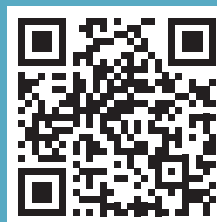
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Scents of Place

Zesty citrus and rich floral notes pair with a seductive musk and vetiver base to capture the essence of a summer spent on the Italian coastline. *Creed Jardin d'Amalfi*, creedboutique.com



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BY PHEBE WAHL

Italian lemon and neroli notes express the embodiment of a perfect day spent soaking up the sun. *BVLGARI Allegra Chill & Sole* eau de parfum, bulgari.com



A composition spotlighting bright, zesty and fresh bergamot captures the spirit of a golden sunset. *Trudon Isla* eau de parfum, trudon.com



Notes of grapefruit, honeysuckle and gardenia, along with sparkling citrus and the sun-kissed perfume of the tiare flower, capture the luminous warmth of a Mediterranean beach escape. *AERIN Mediterranean Honeysuckle Tiare*, aerin.com



Prickly pear, bergamot, white jasmine and iris pay homage to the Mediterranean shore. *Diptyque Ilio* eau de toilette, diptyqueparis.com

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BY MICHAEL MCCARTHY



FOR THE BEACH

Bricoleur Isla Rose Brut Rosé
bricoleurvineyards.com

For days in the sand and sun with cheese, a baguette and chocolates, Bricoleur's rosé—a blend of pinot noir and chardonnay sourced from the Carneros region—charms the palate with cherry marmalade, vibrant citrus blossom and lingering earthy minerality.

FOR THE LOBSTER BOIL

2021 Inglenook
Blancaneaux
inglenook.com

The legendary Napa vineyard blends white Rhone grapes (viognier, roussanne and marsanne), leading to honey and white peach aromas with beautiful, crisp minerality perfect for fish, shellfish and chicken dishes.

FOR THE COOKOUT

2021 Blueprint Cabernet
Sauvignon
lailvineyards.com

With ribeye and black trumpet mushrooms on the grill, this bottle offers a dazzling accompaniment—especially with rich and full flavors like black raspberry, boysenberry, blueberry and red currant.

FOR THE TOAST

Chandon 50th Anniversary
Winemakers' Blend
chandon.com

Celebrate big moments with bubbly boasting flavors like brioche, honey, poached pear and ginger—all from three estate vineyards and winemakers Pauline Lhote, Dawnine Dyer, Wayne Donaldson and Tom Tiburzi, who mark the brand's 50th anniversary.

FOR THE GARDEN PARTY

2021 Arkenstone
Estate Blanc
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Genius Napa winemaker Sam Kaplan uses large concrete eggs and once-used French oak for the vinification, resulting in mineral-rich tasting notes of citrus and melon; it's an estate blanc to sip deep into balmy nights.



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Armed with spectacular speed and even quicker wit, there is no stopping Olympic sprinter GABY THOMAS as she races for gold in Paris.

TRACK

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"Mental training is very important to me. I meditate and work on techniques to calm my mind, especially before a race. It's important to me to go into a race in a very focused and even state of mind. I don't get too hyped up. I don't listen to music. Instead, I try to keep myself even and calm."

Dior coat, bralette, briefs and Tribales earrings, dior.com; OMEGA De Ville Trésor 36 mm, omegawatches.com. Opposite page: Dior dress and D-Fusion earrings, dior.com.

Makeup: Dior Diorshow 5 Couleurs Couture in No. 183 Plum Tutu



An undergraduate degree in neurobiology from Harvard, a master's degree in public health and epidemiology from The University of Texas, both a bronze and a silver medal at the 2020 Tokyo Olympics... Extraordinary is the only way to describe the astounding list of achievements that Atlanta-born sprinter Gabby Thomas has earned at the mere age of 27.

As the 2024 Paris Olympics approach, Thomas is not only refining her physical prowess but also sharpening her mental acuity. "We train five days a week," Thomas shares. "I train with my group in Austin, known as the Bailey Bunch." Her regimen includes extensive

track drills, sprints and sessions in the weight room. Reflecting on her preparations, she notes a significant relief compared to her last Olympic cycle, which was marred by the unpredictability of COVID-19. "Access to the track was inconsistent," she reflects. "I'm so glad now we can just plan and prepare and focus without the added stress of wondering if a track or park may close."

Part of the secret to her success is not just physical training but also mental preparation. "Mental training is very important to me," Thomas shares. "I meditate and work on techniques to calm my mind, especially before a race. It's important to me to go into a race in a very focused and even state of mind," she reveals. "I don't get too hyped up. I don't listen

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Makeup: Dior Forever Skin Glow foundation, Dior Forever Glow Maximizer and Dior Addict Lip Glow in No. 001 pink.

Opposite page: Dior jacket and bralette, dior.com; OMEGA Seamaster Diver "Paris 2024" 42 mm, omegawatches.com.

Makeup: Dior Forever Skin Glow foundation, Dior Forever Glow Maximizer and Dior Addict Lip Glow in No. 001 pink.





time and attention on. And there is a lot of discipline required for both areas, so the more you strengthen that, the better all around.”

“When I was at Harvard, I also began studying the importance of sleep, and that has had a lot of influence on me as an athlete,” Thomas says. “Sleep, rest and recovery are as important as what we do on the track. So that means I’m not staying up late, not going out to every event,” she explains of her formula for success. “It helps to surround yourself with a circle that supports your goals and lifts you up—even if that means you won’t make it out to a party.”

The influence of Thomas’ mother looms large in her life, shaping her ethos of hard work and the importance of education. “She was a single mom of twins and put herself through grad school, got her PhD and became a professor,” Thomas shares. “She’s always instilled in me the drive to work hard

to music. Instead, I try to keep myself even and calm.”

Thomas’ commitment to excellence extends beyond the track and into academia. She recently completed her master’s in public health from The University of Texas at Austin. “I do find that my academics helped my training and vice versa. For me, it’s always been important to focus on my academic side as much as my athletic side,” she says. “I didn’t always know that I would be a professional track athlete, but I always knew that education was very important to me.” This pursuit of education provides a counterbalance to her athletic career, offering her mental diversion and resilience. “Having another area of focus provided a lot of balance mentally where what happened at practice wasn’t ‘make or break’ to everything in my life,” she reflects. “I could leave practice and have a whole different thing to put my

Dior dress, Bee socks and Muse Dior sandal, dior.com; OMEGA Constellation 25 mm, omegawatches.com.





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Dior jacket, new corset belt and NY Paris tights, dior.com; OMEGA De Ville Trésor 36 mm, omegawatches.com.

and to prioritize my education. She really made me believe that anything is a possibility for me if I put the work in for it.”

Looking ahead, Thomas is already considering her post-athletic career, aspiring to leverage her public health expertise to impact health equity. “After my running career, I hope to continue my career in public health,” she says. “An ultimate goal would be to work as a CEO of a hospital and use my platform to help shine a light on health equity.” Thomas is also actively advocating for gender equality in sports, working to create a women-only track event with significant financial rewards, highlighting her commitment to improving conditions and promoting recognition for female athletes. “It has been incredible to watch other female athletes get the attention they deserve,” she says. “Like everyone else, I was cheering on

Caitlin Clark and Angel Reese and all these amazing women who have been proving investing in women’s sports is good business. I want to use my platform to help in this space.” Thomas recently announced a partnership with Alexis Ohanian (Reddit co-founder and husband of fellow athlete Serena Williams) to create a women-only track event with the highest-paying purse in history for the sport. “We want to create more opportunities for fans to see these amazing women run and for the athletes to feel well compensated for their efforts,” she says.

Thomas is keenly aware of the role of fashion in women’s sports in particular—and loves expressing her identity and boosting her confidence on and off the track. “There is a legacy of track women being fashionable,” she shares, noting legends like Florence “Flo-Jo” Griffith Joyner and Olympian Allyson



Dior jacket, vest and shorts, dior.com; OMEGA Constellation 25 mm, omegawatches.com.

Felix. "It's a little boost to go out onto the track feeling fierce and confident. And then off the track, it's fun to play around with different looks between athleticwear and high fashion."

Her partnership with OMEGA Watches aligns perfectly with her meticulous attention to detail, as timing is crucial in her sport. "My career is determined by thousandths of a second, and OMEGA is dedicated to the art of timekeeping at the highest level. We both obsess over the details," she says, noting the brand has been the timekeeper of the Games since 1932. "One of the few items we can wear outside our uniform on the track is a watch and jewelry. So it's nice to be able to showcase some style on my wrist as I line up at the start."

As Thomas prepares for the Paris Olympics, the sprinter already has her sights on the distance as well. "Right now, I'm hoping I may still be running when the Olympics come around to L.A. in 2028," she says. "It would be incredible to compete in front of a home crowd."

Dior tank top, briefs, jacket, Bee socks and Muse Dior sandal, dior.com; OMEGA Constellation 29 mm, omegawatches.com.



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A AND N MORTGAGE TEAM

A and N Mortgage | Neena Vlamis, Owner and CEO | Equal Housing Opportunity

As the owner and CEO of the award-winning A and N Mortgage, Neena Vlamis has made a name for herself and champions women in a traditionally male-dominated field. Scotsman Guide ranked this Power Player among its Top Women Originators.

What are your specialties in your industry?

NV: A and N is 100% woman-owned, and 90% of our leadership team is female. We have been in business for 22 years and compete with larger companies because we have access to a diverse range of products and niche programs to work with everyone, from first-time homebuyers to investors to luxury home loans. A and N is recognized among the Top 100 Mortgage Companies in America by Mortgage Executive Magazine and the Best Mortgage Companies to Work For by National Mortgage News.

What is your favorite part of your job?

NV: The people are my favorite part of my job. Whether it is building a relationship and connecting with a client or industry partner or talking with my team about a challenge, I love helping a client get into their dream home. Educating them and helping give them the confidence to strengthen their home loan portfolio is such a rewarding experience.

What differentiates your business strategy in the industry?

NV: I encourage my team to prioritize genuine relationship-building and foster a supportive environment. We maintain a positive attitude when we face challenges and stay focused on making a positive impact on our clients and partners. While we are licensed in 20 states and have operating offices in Chicago and Fountain Hills, AZ, the A and N team is poised for continued growth and will expand to additional locations in New Buffalo, MI and Clarendon Hills, IL.

Is there a mentor who has influenced your career?

NV: Millie Rosenbloom is a mentor to me. She is knowledgeable, compassionate and always willing to teach.

What are positive ways you use your power in your community?

NV: A and N supports various charities and nonprofits, as well as community sponsorships. We provide free educational workshops for homebuyers, investors and industry partners and conduct an outreach program to help educate and support women in buying multi-unit buildings.

What is the most valuable lesson you have learned in your career?

NV: Be kind. Look for opportunities through any challenges. Help those around you.

What is up next for you and your business?

NV: We proudly announce the establishment of A and N Mortgage’s Young Professional Networking Club, featuring the founding members in the attached photo. This A and N club provides a platform for young professionals to connect with seasoned members to expand their skill sets and enhance their development. Through cultivating a strong and supportive community for career advancement, we aim to boost the confidence of young professionals, give them access to opportunities, expand their network of resources and ensure they build lasting relationships within the industry. Please contact any of us at A and N for more information.

“A and N Mortgage is thrilled to introduce the A and N Mortgage Young Professional Networking Club.”

A and N Mortgage Young Professional Networking Club founding members from left to right:
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 A and N is excited to continue growing and I look forward to scaling the company’s message of trust, integrity, and accountability into even more markets.



JENNIFER BROWN

BMO Bank | Senior Mortgage Banker

A top mortgage producer in the Chicago market, Jennifer Brown was recently honored as the No. 3 female for production and No. 31 loan officer nationwide by the 2023 Scotsman Guide.

What are your specialties in your industry?

JB: The mortgage industry has become increasingly competitive over the 20 years I've originated loans, so offering niche products like physician, jumbo and construction loans allows me to work with different customers. Be it your first home, dream home or an investment purchase, I take the time to understand your current and future financing goals to deliver the best solution.

What is your favorite part of your job?

JB: Every loan is unique. It's personally satisfying to complete the loan puzzle, even when others think the pieces won't fit. Customer feedback is also the most rewarding. Home buying can be stressful, so it's fulfilling to hear customers say they had an outstanding experience and stress-free loan process with me.

What differentiates your business strategy in the industry?

JB: Two decades into my career, I had a record year in 2023, a testament to my team's service. I have the best team in the mortgage industry, all of whom are women I hand-picked, recently including my sister, Molly Barndt (Pictured on right). Our knowledge of industry and underwriting guidelines helps ensure our loan process is specifically tailored to customers' needs.

What are positive ways you use your power in your community?

JB: I coach my daughter's fourth-grade basketball and volleyball teams in Roscoe Village. Working at BMO Bank, our commitment to the Chicagoland area is evidenced by our offering down payment assistance grants and opportunities for buyers in many pockets of Chicago, including single-family homes, duplexes or condos.



What is the most valuable life lesson you've learned in your career?

JB: Surround yourself with people who propel you forward. Having a supportive husband and a sister on my team allows me to hit new milestones.

Outside of work, what do you love about living in Chicago?

JB: I love Chicago's diverse restaurant scene. While I have a few go-to restaurants, I'm always eager to discover something new. If you ever see me at an event, please tell me your favorite local spots.



GABRIEL CONSTANTIN

Trump International Hotel & Tower® Chicago | Managing Director

Gabriel Constantin, the Managing Director of the award-winning Trump International Hotel & Tower® Chicago, crafts captivating experiences in a luxury environment that beckons travelers from across the globe.



What are your specialties in your industry?

GC: I strive to elevate our establishment to new heights of sophistication and prestige by optimizing operational efficiency and orchestrating bespoke moments for guests, including weddings, vacations, milestone celebrations and more. In 2023, I was nominated for Hotelier of the Year by IHLA, and Trump International Hotel & Tower® Chicago

received the Wine Spectator Award for our extensive wine program at Terrace 16, paired with our breathtaking views of downtown Chicago's skyline.

What is your favorite part of your job?

GC: Witnessing the joy on a guest's face due to our team's efforts keeps my passion for service alive. I also relish the opportunity to innovate in an ever-evolving industry, whether it's through

groundbreaking menu items, avant-garde hotel interiors or pioneering sustainable practices.

What differentiates your business strategy in the industry?

GC: At Trump International Hotel & Tower® Chicago, we exceed guests' expectations at every touchpoint, from arrival to departure. The core of our success lies in a clear and compelling vision: We will never settle. Our team stays ahead of trends, adapts to changing consumer preferences and regularly refines our offerings to remain at the forefront of the luxury hospitality market.

Is there a mentor who has influenced your career?

GC: Mr. Eric Danziger, the former CEO of Trump Organization Inc., mentored me through his guidance, wisdom and support, shaping my leadership style and instilling in me a dedication to excellence, service and continuous improvement.

What are positive ways you use your power in your community?

GC: Since 2019, I've been a committee member of the Magnificent Mile Association's Board of Directors and now serve as its treasurer. I've also served on the Illinois Hotel & Lodging Association's Board of Directors since 2021.

What is the most valuable lesson you have learned in your career?

GC: Take care of your employees, and they will take care of your business. A successful hotel is built on the strength of its team. We've made significant investments in recruiting, training and mentoring our employees.



ANDREW KASHIAN & KELLY PFEIFFER

Solve Clinics | CEO and Clinical Director of Aesthetics

Power Players Andrew Kashian and Kelly Pfeiffer are shaking up the ubiquitous medical industry at Solve Clinics, Chicago's highest-rated hair loss and cosmetic center with over 450 five-star ratings.

What are your specialties in your industry?

AK & KP: At Solve Clinics, we specialize in hair transplant and aesthetic regeneration for men and women seeking to regain their confidence. We are also one of the few centers with expertise in African American hair. Solve Clinics just announced the launch of a medical aesthetics branch, which will focus on facial rejuvenation and regenerative aesthetics through neuromodulators (such as Botox, Dysport or Jeaveau), dermal-fillers, platelet-rich plasma, platelet-rich fibrin, microneedling, chemical peels and laser skin resurfacing. We aim to refresh your look while staying true to who you are.

What is your favorite part of your job?

AK: I am proud to know we are doing cosmetics the right way, prioritizing education, honesty and transparency. We value the importance of true candidacy of treatment, not just profits. Patients recommended for treatment

can expect industry-leading care at a transparent cost.

KP: Seeing our patients' joy and confidence restored makes going to work something I look forward to daily. Our patients make us laugh and come into Solve Clinics excited to be here, thanks to our phenomenal staff who perfect the patient experience.

What are positive ways you use your power in your community?

AK: Solve Clinics prioritizes employee care. Our pay, state-of-the-art facilities, and hours break the mold of working in medical clinics. We see this translate to better patient experiences.

KP: I started a volunteer coalition of Chicago injectors. Together, we provide high-impact activities such as networking and give back to the community quarterly.

Outside of work, what do you love about living in Chicago?

AK: After moving back here from New York City,



my partner and I fell in love with Chicago, its people and its food. You can quote me: the quality and value of Chicago food beats New York City. Say hi and check out our giveaways at Taste of Randolph this year.

KP: I love the summer months by the riverwalk and lake, the parks, the architecture and how dog-friendly it is here in Chicago.



JIM KEMP

Scott Byron & Co., Inc. | Executive VP of Sales

Creative and client-centric, Jim Kemp redefines the landscape of luxury outdoor living in Chicago as the executive vice president of sales at Scott Byron & Co.



What are your specialties in your industry?

JK: My forte is in bespoke design and forging lasting personal connections with our esteemed clientele, turning their aspirations into living landscapes. With three decades of experience, I've collaborated with the finest landscape architects to exceed expectations. I prioritize understanding our clients' lifestyles and dreams, ensuring each space

is beautiful, sustainable and growing alongside them over time.

What is your favorite part of your job?

JK: The most rewarding aspect of my role at Scott Byron & Co. is the genuine relationships with our clients. Witnessing their unique visions come to life, the joy in their expressions and their satisfaction with our work truly makes every project.

What differentiates your business strategy in the industry?

JK: At Scott Byron & Co., our approach diverges from the industry norm by identifying opportunities where we can craft landscapes that resonate deeply with our client's dreams. This philosophy, coupled with our commitment to sustainability, enables us to transcend traditional selling and offer extraordinary solutions.

What does it mean to be powerful in your area of expertise?

JK: True power stems from a unified team, all dedicated to one paramount goal: client satisfaction. This synergy, melded with our collective expertise and wealth of resources, becomes a formidable force that consistently transcends our clients' grandest visions.

Is there a mentor who has influenced your career?

JK: My grandfather, a beacon of business success, instilled in me the values of integrity and hard work. Joining Scott Byron & Co. was a pivotal moment, where mentors like Scott Byron and Andy Otting enriched my understanding of the significance of client relationships. Our architectural team continually inspires me to push the boundaries of landscape design.

Outside of work, what do you love about living in Chicago?

JK: Chicago captivates me with its dynamic interplay of nature, cuisine, cultural heritage and thriving arts scene, which inspires my work at Scott Byron & Co. and enriches my personal life.



DEBBIE ANSAY-MARTINEZ AND CHANEL KWAK

Hairlab Chicago | Trichology and Hair Restoration

Power Players Debbie Ansay-Martinez and Chanel Kwak are acclaimed industry-wide for their innovation.

What are your specialties in your industry?

DM & CK: Hairlab Chicago specializes in holistic hair and scalp treatments that transcend traditional methods by integrating bio-energy and supplemental therapies. Ranked within the top 10 CRLAB platinum centers in the nation and the exclusive provider in the Chicagoland area, we offer CRLAB trichology treatments and a nonsurgical, customized hair restoration system utilizing 3D technology and Italian craftsmanship, resulting in the most natural-looking cranial prosthesis called CNC.

What is your favorite part of your job?

DM & CK: The most rewarding aspect of our work is seeing our clients' confidence soar and their natural beauty shine as they achieve healthier, more beautiful hair. We're proud to empower individuals to enhance their well-being and radiate confidence, both internally and externally.

What does it mean to be powerful in your area of expertise?

DM & CK: Being powerful in our expertise means empowering individuals to take control of their hair health and regain confidence. Hairlab Chicago distinguishes itself by tailoring comprehensive trichology services to address the root cause of hair loss and scalp issues. This personalized approach combines scientific expertise with a holistic understanding of hair health, allowing us to achieve superior results for our clients.

What are positive ways you use your power in your community?

DM & CK: Hairlab Chicago is dedicated to giving back to the community by providing educational resources and support for individuals struggling with hair loss and scalp conditions. We regularly participate in outreach programs and charity events to raise awareness and promote hair health initiatives.

What is the most valuable life lesson you've learned in your career?

DM & CK: We learned the importance of compassion and empathy in customer care. Building trust and establishing meaningful connections with clients is essential for delivering effective solutions and fostering long-term relationships.

Outside of work, what do you love about living in Chicago?

DM & CK: We cherish the vibrant culture, diverse neighborhoods and entrepreneurial spirit of Chicago. The city offers a well-balanced lifestyle, providing opportunities for family-oriented activities, from exploring cultural events and enjoying vibrant nightlife scenes and excellent dining experiences.





KATHRYN HOMBURGER MICKELSON

Beermann LLP | Equity Partner

Kathryn Homburger Mickelson stands as an equity partner at Beermann LLP, the largest family law firm in Illinois, with 19 years of experience in litigation and mediation as well as national recognition as an influential female attorney.



What are your specialties in your industry?

KHM: I guide my clients through the intricacies of complex family law-related matters. I draft and negotiate prenuptial and postnuptial agreements that protect my clients' wealth, advocate for parties in divorce and parentage proceedings and counsel individuals on other sensitive family law issues with discretion and thoughtfulness. My typical clients are thought

leaders, C-suite executives and influential rainmakers who prefer impactful strategy over ad hoc representation.

What is your favorite part of your job?

KHM: My greatest joy is seeing clients regain control of their lives by thoughtfully weighing options and making the best decisions for themselves and their families.

What does it mean to be powerful in your area of expertise?

KHM: While I am a trial lawyer, I encourage my clientele to think about what elements of their case can be resolved privately outside the courtroom before considering litigation. Encouraging resolution, whether through mediation or good old-fashioned across-the-table negotiation, saves money and time and helps lessen the emotional drain family law conflicts can cause.

What is the most valuable life lesson you've learned in your career?

KHM: Be true to yourself and follow your gut. Set aside all expectations of who you should be. The best results come when you listen to your intuition.

Outside of work, what do you love about living in Chicago?

KHM: As someone born and raised in the Chicagoland area and now living in Park Ridge with my husband, our two children and an English Mastiff, I know how fiercely protective Chicagoans are of this city. I also love how no one takes a day of beautiful weather in Chicago for granted.

Is there a mentor who has influenced your career?

KHM: Countless women have taught me to embrace my professional power and personality when asking for that raise or demanding my seat at the table. Also, while "growing up" at my law firm, some incredible colleagues have emphasized the importance of being ethical, credible and human.



AMY DANIEL-MOSER & RUDY MOSER

a.salon | Amy Daniel-Moser: Owner & Colorist
Rudy Moser: Owner & Managing Partner

Amy Daniel-Moser and Rudy Moser, co-owners of a.salon, demonstrate innovation through their world-class salon services and their collective mission to make "beauty simplified."

What are your specialties in your industry?

ADM & RM: a.salon specializes in haircuts and color. All of our stylists are departmentalized, so they focus on their strengths, cut or color, ensuring results align with each client's hair goals. Extension services and curly hair specialists are also readily available. We believe in the power of education for stylists, offering apprenticeships for cosmetology school graduates and advanced training programs for experienced stylists.

What is your favorite part of your job?

ADM & RM: Our mission is to be day-makers (make your day). Life is chaotic; we understand the time people take out of their day to schedule an appointment with us. We want clients to feel more beautiful and confident when they leave a.salon.

What are positive ways you use your power in your community?

ADM & RM: We are actively involved in the Lincoln Park and Pilsen neighborhoods through local school scholarships and community event sponsorships. By recycling 95% of our salons' byproducts, a.salon also aims to be environmentally conscious in all endeavors.

What is the most valuable life lesson you've learned in your career?

ADM & RM: You never know what people are going through at any given moment. By listening, you have the ability to make a positive impact and help others get to a better place.

Outside of work, what do you love about living in Chicago?

ADM & RM: We love that Chicago is a major metropolis with an amazing culinary scene, so you'll likely find us out at one of many city restaurants on any given



night. We've been happily married for 23 years and have a seven-year-old son and a five-year-old rescued pit bull. We are a proud hockey family, too.

What are your most meaningful career highlights?

ADM & RM: For three consecutive years, Salon Today named a.salon one of the top 200 salons in

North America. In 2023, a.salon Lincoln Park was named Best New Salon by CS Magazine and a finalist for Salon Today's Salon of the Year. Several publications also featured a.salon for its eco-friendly, gender-neutral and cruelty-free core values.



CHRIS PEZZA

Having executed over 3,000 rental transactions and brokerage deals exceeding \$150 million, Chris Pezza is a dynamic force in Chicago real estate.



What are your specialties in your industry?

CP: My specialty is the level of service I provide. With a master's degree in real estate and vast experience in commercial, residential and property management, there is nothing I cannot achieve for my clientele. I'm here to take a client from their first studio apartment to their 10th investment property every step of the way.

What is your favorite part of your job?

CP: I love being in an industry where my goals come second. I'm lucky enough to be in one of the few fields where our success stems from our ability to achieve success for others, helping them reach their personal goals. I find this incredibly special and rewarding.

Is there a mentor who has influenced your career?

CP: I must mention my mom, Paula Pezza. She made a career in real estate by being honest, humble and committed to her clients. I've never seen her take a short cut, bend the rules or put herself first, and this has been the foundation of my entire career.

What are positive ways you use your power in your community?

CP: I'm very active in charities. I teach real estate graduate students at Roosevelt University and lead agent development, but I believe being a good community member is much simpler. Make time for people and leave every conversation positively; your impact will go farther than you can imagine.

What is the most valuable lesson you have learned in your career?

CP: Stop using money as a motivator. Find what drives you on a deeper level, and this will never feel like work.

Outside of work, what do you love about living in Chicago?

CP: Chicago is one of the only places in the world with a fresh body of water and a skyline as the backdrop—it's something I never take for granted. Every time I'm out boating, I'm reminded that this is the greatest city in the world.

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CHEF BRANDON ROGERS

Chef Brandon Rogers, LLC | Owner & Executive Private Chef

Chicago native chef Brandon Rogers curates personalized culinary offerings for his clients at home, from professional athletes to busy executives and families.

What are your specialties in your industry?

BR: As a private chef, I treat clients to novel dishes that excite the palate and please the eye, ensuring a delightful dining experience. My services extend beyond the kitchen to provide invaluable insights into meal planning. With my background in Stanford School of Medicine's nutrition courses, I incorporate this knowledge into my business practices, especially when working with professional athletes aiming for peak performance. The meticulously tailored menus I craft can accommodate any dietary preference, reminding clients that they can adopt a health-conscious lifestyle while indulging in gourmet cuisine.

What is your favorite part of your job?

BR: The highlight of my work is witnessing the genuine smiles reflected on people's faces as they indulge in my dishes. Food is a canvas for artistic expression, and cooking creates an intimate bond between the chef and diners.

What differentiates your business strategy in the industry?

BR: I provide special event catering services with Michelin-trained, high-level execution. When top performers in their respective fields come to me for support with their diet, nutrition or feeding their loved ones, it speaks volumes to my influence in my field.

Is there a mentor who has influenced your career?

BR: Culinary school truly molded me into the chef that I am today. Without chef Michelle Perucci, chef Gabriel Alvarez and chef Dan, I wouldn't have the essential foundation that every chef needs.

What are positive ways you use your power in your community?

BR: By collaborating with high schools, colleges and community groups, I teach students the transformative power of nutrition. Recognizing the ongoing food crisis in America, I aspire to forge local farm partnerships to provide communities



with immersive, hands-on experiences and healthier food options in lower-income neighborhood grocery stores.

What is the most valuable lesson you have learned in your career?

BR: As a private chef, one of the most profound lessons I've learned is the importance of adaptability. No matter how meticulously I plan or prepare, unexpected challenges and changes are bound to arise.

It's in those moments that I've discovered the true strength within myself. I've come to realize that I am far more resilient and capable than I often give myself credit for. However, I've also learned that mindset plays a crucial role in navigating these challenges. Embracing change with a positive attitude and a willingness to find creative solutions is not only essential for overcoming obstacles but also for fostering personal growth and success in the culinary world.



ERIN SCHIRACK

CHI-SOCIETY | Founder

When it comes to championing the fitness industry forward, Erin Schirack has got it covered. As one of Chicago's elite fitness instructors with over 20 years of experience and an extensive background in marketing, she brings a unique blend of expertise and passion to CHI-SOCIETY.



What are your specialties in your industry?

ES: My CHI-SOCIETY team believes the fitness industry is one of connection that is also quickly evolving. To help others genuinely live their healthiest lives or grow their business, we must adapt to the needs of the time. CHI-SOCIETY simplifies the journey to interconnectedness, setting up health and wellness brands

for success by providing them with the tools to expand.

What is your favorite part of your job?

ES: I surround myself with people passionate about empowering others. It's an honor to help and witness business owners share their gifts with the world.

What differentiates your business strategy in the industry?

ES: With the power I yield in the fitness industry, I demonstrate that you can win big when you genuinely want others to win, too. CHI-SOCIETY is here to bring levity to brands that champion customers to feel like their best selves.

Is there a mentor who has influenced your career?

ES: It's so funny to say this, but when I was little, one of my friend's moms was a fitness instructor. Every time I saw her, I was in awe. She was such a light, and I wanted to be just like her. That is when my interest in the fitness industry started, quickly transforming into a love coupled with a passion for marketing and business development.

What are positive ways you use your power in your community?

ES: It's important to me for others to feel seen and strong. As a leader of the CHI-SOCIETY community, I want everyone to know they have a place to grow and be messy. It's OK to fail or to pivot; you'll have days of highs and lows. To be well is not to be perfect but to feel strong and empowered in your day-to-day life.

Outside of work, what do you love about living in Chicago?

ES: Chicago is a great city to live in because it offers excellent restaurants, beautiful parks and the beach and an incredible health and wellness community.



LAUREN LANGFIELD AND ALI TAMASHIRO

Images Med Spa | President and Director of Marketing

Power Players Lauren Langfield and Ali Tamashiro lead the charge at Images Med Spa, which is ranked in the top 10 nationally with Allergan and Galderma.

What are your specialties in your industry?

LL: I have a passion for building a positive work environment, culture and brand, as well as implementing smart business strategies that scale companies to multimillion-dollar businesses.

AT: I am a highly creative and scrappy thinker. I love growing brands by executing out-of-the-box marketing strategies and campaigns while giving my team the tools and experience they need to drive brand awareness and generate revenue.

What differentiates your business strategy in the industry?

LL & AT: At our cutting-edge medical spa, we redefined the beauty experience, guiding clients through personalized cosmetic transformations to unlock their ultimate confidence. We inspire our skilled experts to cultivate deep and meaningful connections, empowering clients and providing

reassurance that they're not navigating their journey alone. We are fearless in our approach, and together, we embrace experimentation, pushing the limits to redefine industry standards.

Is there a mentor who has influenced your career?

LL & AT: Jeff Glazer, the visionary behind Images Med Spa, has been a profound influence on both of us. He respects and empowers our all-female team, fostering freedom, risk-taking, learning from failures and career advancement. His dedication to empowering women cultivates an environment of opportunity and creativity.

What are positive ways you use your power in your community?

LL & AT: We empower women and support women-owned businesses through mentorship, donations and sponsorships, fostering beauty and confidence inside and out.



What is the most valuable lesson you have learned in your career?

LL & AT: Embrace your authenticity. Being vibrant, approachable and genuine doesn't hinder leadership; it enhances it. And remember, age is irrelevant when it comes to making a difference.

Outside of work, what do you love about living in Chicago?

LL: Chicago is a city with rich history and endless opportunities. The city promises excitement at every turn, which means you'll never lack for adventure.
AT: Being a Florida native, I chose Chicago as my home 10 years ago because of the people, the culture, the food, and, yes, even the winters.



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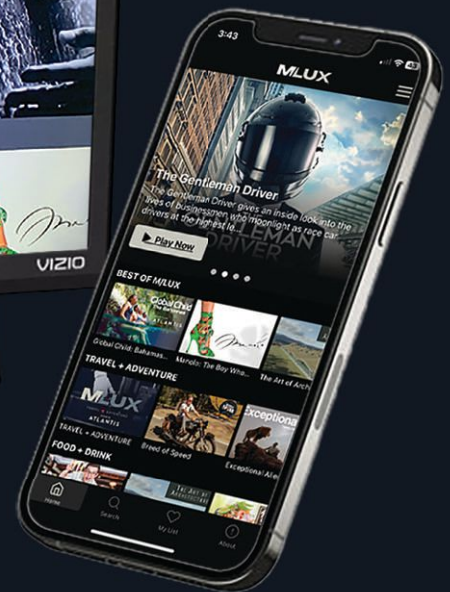


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BY PHEBE WAHL



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When it comes to debuts, you can always count on RH to go big. In a perfect fusion of art, design and functionality, RH (rh.com) has unveiled its most comprehensive and innovative outdoor collection to date. Featuring over 40 exclusive designs in teak, aluminum, all-weather wicker and upholstery from some of today's most acclaimed designers, this collection is a testament to RH's unwavering commitment to exceptional design, quality and style.

"Our 2024 Outdoor Collection blurs the lines between indoor and outdoor living, presenting a level of design, quality, taste and style unrivaled in today's market," says RH Chairman and CEO Gary Friedman. "We are proud to introduce our latest CONTINUED...



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Vigo’s architectural silhouette, designed by Harrison and Nicholas Condos of Sydney, graces the cover of this year’s Sourcebook—a bold testament to the innovative spirit that defines the collection. From the Byron collection’s solid teak vertical reeding to Bondi’s art deco-inspired circular bolster back, each piece is a narrative of design evolution, embodying the ethos of blending indoor comfort with the freedom and beauty of the outdoors.

The collection also introduces the works of award-winning architect and designer Claudio Bellini, who presents Gemini with

its dramatic curved silhouette handwoven in airy all-weather wicker. Mario Ruiz, drawing inspiration from the Bauhaus movement, brings the slim lines and strong presence of Málaga to life. At the same time, the Nusa collection by Isabel Rojo and Victor Segarra invites a Mediterranean sensibility into the fold with its elegant balance of form and function.



From top: RH Gemini natural sofa and lounge chair; Bondi teak modular L-sectional and swivel lounge chair; Palma teak dining armchair and rectangular dining table.



“Our 2024 Outdoor Collection blurs the lines between indoor and outdoor living, presenting a level of design, quality, taste and style unrivaled in today’s market.”

—GARY FRIEDMAN

Further enhancing the collection, RH boasts the world’s largest selection of TUUCI architectural shade structures, engineered by founder and chief architect Dougan Clarke to meet the meticulous standards of luxury racing yachts. The state-of-the-art, automated Ocean Master Max One-Touch cantilever umbrella comes complete with ambient LED lighting and dual infrared radiant heat. A comprehensive offering, indeed.

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BY EMMA FLANNERY



Shop rare finds like this artful 1980s mirror by Harrison Van Horn at South Loop Loft.



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CAREFULLY PICKED

The recently opened Carefully Picked in West Town showcases its tightly curated vintage furniture, lighting, and more in a museumlike atmosphere, allowing the unique selects to speak for themselves. *1341 W. Grand Ave., carefully-picked.com*

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With over 50K Instagram followers, this West Town spot is a popular resource for the city's interior designers and vintage lovers. A rotating selection of high-end furniture, art, lighting and more make this one of our



From left: Carefully Picked features a tight curation of unconventional finds in a gallerylike space; The Golden Triangle is a mecca of luxe Asian and European furnishings, decor and art.



collection of furniture, home decor and curiosities from the past. *5221 N. Clark St., scoutchicago.com*

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SPOT!

Known for its funky finds and rare acquisitions—like the iconic Djinn chair from the film *2001: A Space Odyssey*—Spot! houses an extensive collection of vintage finds. Follow them on Instagram (@spotexclamationpoint) to be updated on their latest offerings. *1301 N. Central Park Ave., spotexclamationpoint.com*

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THE GOLDEN TRIANGLE

A Chicago institution since 1989, this world-class resource for Asian and European antiques offers a stunning variety of furniture, lighting, art, decor and more, all expertly curated by owners Doug Van Tress and Chauwarin Tuntisak. *2035 W. Grand Ave., goldentriangle.biz*

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Treasure hunters love this 60,000-square-foot warehouse dedicated to antiques, architectural artifacts, lighting, outdoor elements, furniture and more. The unique space doubles as an in-demand event venue for weddings and galas. *1840 W. Hubbard St., salvageone.com*

SCOUT

Chicly curated vintage and antique treasures beckon at this Andersonville sanctuary for design lovers, where you can expect an ever-changing

A 2022 painting by Chicago artist Maxine Snider, a 1987 coffee table by American artist Wayne Trapp and an Italian sofa designed by Mario Marengo for Arflex in 1970 at South Loop Loft



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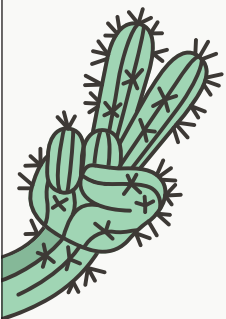
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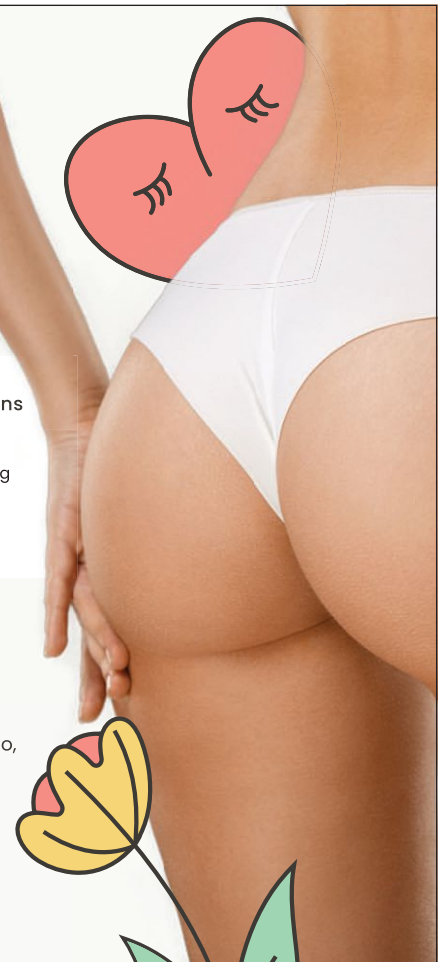
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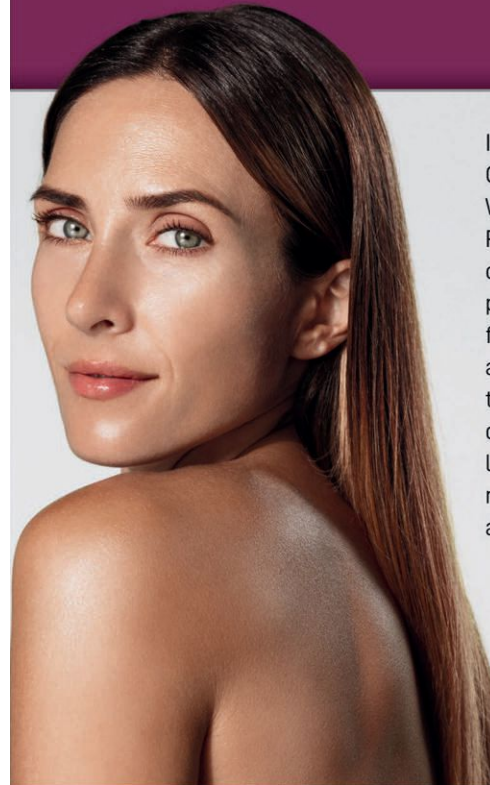
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While visitors can easily wile away the days by their private pools—most are infinity-edge with sky-high views of the meandering valleys below—the estate also invites guests to immerse themselves in the local culture. Trained dogs and their esteemed guides lead guests through the densely populated forests to forage black and white truffles, or you can try your hand at making pasta from scratch, followed by a leisurely lunch at the on-site Il Caldaro restaurant to indulge in your creation. Perugia and Assisi are also just a short car ride away, where the Basilica of Saint Francis of Assisi, the medieval Priori Palace and charming shops and restaurants—brimming with Perugian chocolate and Italy’s famous pizzas and wines—ensure an off-site adventure to remember.

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THE HISTORY

Tenuta di Murlo, also known as The Murlo Estate, is the passion project of Alessio and Carlotta Carabba Tettamanti. Since the 16th century, Alessio’s family has owned the verdant property, where 80 structures—from farmhouses to churches to mills—have been thoughtfully restored for the better part of the last two decades. Today, the couple invites guests to choose from nine luxury villas or three new deluxe rooms for their stay.

THE ACCOMMODATIONS

Villas range in size from the romantic Villa Molinella, suitable for just two guests, to the sprawling Castiglione



Ugolino, a breathtaking castle and adjoining frescoed church that dates back to the 11th century and houses up to 20. Villa Molinella is the newest of the property’s offerings, a restored 13th century mill tucked along a rolling river that offers a beautiful outdoor pool, hot tub and sauna—plus an underground jacuzzi hidden below the living room. Carlotta has thoughtfully outfitted each villa with furnishings and decor sourced from her travels throughout Europe, and guests can enjoy chef-led dining experiences within the privacy of their accommodations. Olive groves, blooming gardens, a vineyard and a

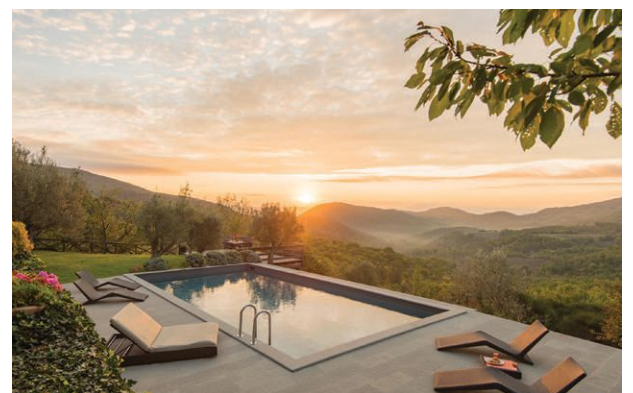
Clockwise from top: Guests can enjoy chef-led dining experiences at their private villa; Villa Penna offers some of the property’s best views; take a dip at San Savino, which dates back to the 14th century; owner Carlotta Carabba Tettamanti has lovingly curated each villa’s furnishings.

THE TAKEAWAY

Whether reconnecting with family or your significant other, Tenuta di Murlo provides a countryside Italian escape unlike any other. Shrouded in privacy and rich with history, the estate’s luxurious villas are only matched by the service and passion of its thoughtful owners. Your idyllic getaway awaits.



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Bryce Canyon National Park is filled with red rock mazes ripe for exploration. Inset: Capitol Dome in Capitol Reef National Park is a stunner.

Desert Dreams

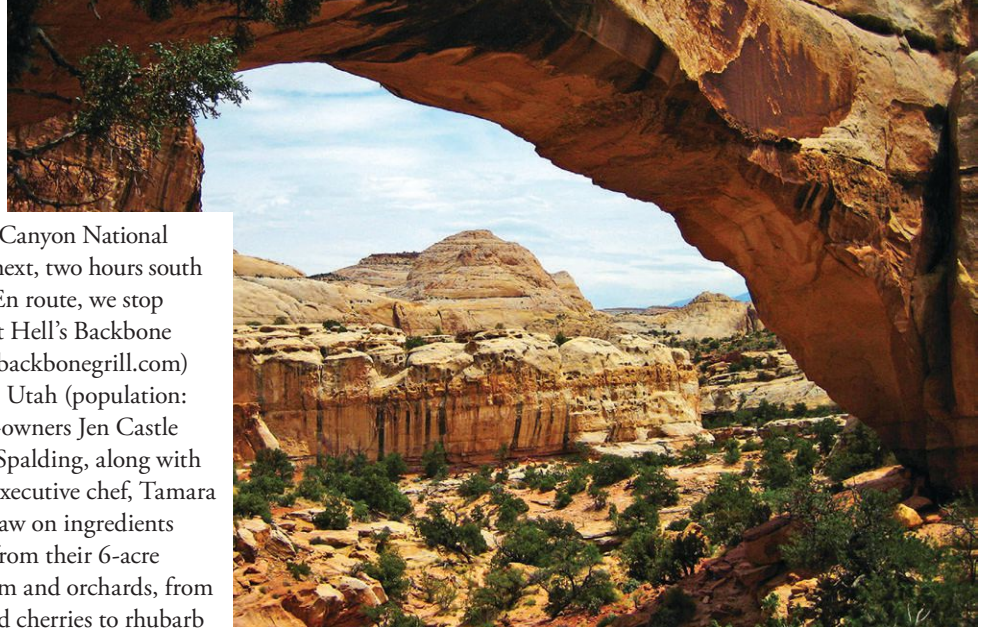
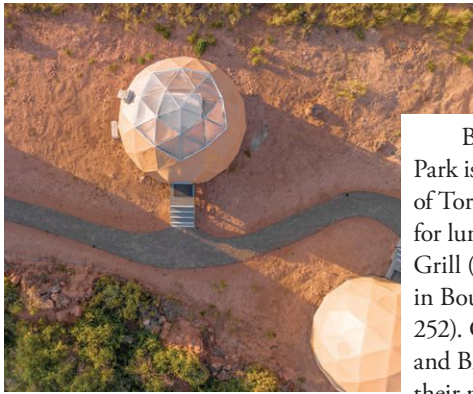
SOUTHERN UTAH IS FILLED WITH STUNNING RED ROCK CANYONS, ARCHES AND HOODOOS— BUT IT ALSO HAS A DECADENT SIDE.

BY HELEN OLSSON

The Crux is a rite of passage carved in stone. After 6 miles of walking through towering red rock walls, scrambling down 12-foot ledges and wading through waist-high water, I face an 8-foot waterfall cascading into a deep pool. I gingerly lower myself into the rushing water and take the plunge. The waterfall is an exhilarating finish to a slot canyon adventure through Sulphur Creek in Utah's Capitol Reef National Park (nps.gov/care), led by a guide from Sleeping Rainbow Adventures (sradventures.com).

The hike is just one highlight of a recent trip to Utah's Capitol Reef and Bryce Canyon national parks. Along the way, we discover culinary genius and decadent spa treatments in rural outposts. We cap the day with a tasting at Etta Place Cidery (ettaplacecider.com) in Torrey, Utah, a gateway town to Capitol Reef. In a back room hidden behind an 8-foot-high "Zion Wall," owner Ann Torrence offers precise 1-ounce pours of the award-winning cider. We stay down the road at Skyview Hotel (skyviewtorrey.com), the brainchild of Joshua Rowley and Nicholas Derrick. It has 14 modern hotel rooms with Derrick's artwork on the walls and six geodesic domes nearby for glamping. The hotel's facade is defined by a curtain of rose-colored

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ropes undulating in the breeze, at once creating a shady walkway and an interactive art installation.

Both Capitol Reef and Bryce Canyon are International Dark Sky Parks, and in 2018, Torrey was designated as Utah's first International Dark Sky community. On clear, moonless nights, the sky turns into a star-studded canvas. The hotel's rooftop terrace is the perfect venue for stargazing. Better yet, bunk down in one of the geodesic domes with clear ceilings to watch the night sky sparkle.

After the high-octane adventure of the day, a visit to Torrey's Red Sands Hotel & Spa (redsandshotel.com) is a welcome pause. The spa offers massages, facials and three ways to soak: a private hot tub, a copper tub with essential oils, or a salt float. I choose to float in warm water and 1,000 pounds of Epsom salts. It takes a while to relax, but when I do, it's the most extraordinary feeling of weightlessness. Every muscle relaxes. Floating blissfully, I fall fast asleep.



Bryce Canyon National Park is up next, two hours south of Torrey. En route, we stop for lunch at Hell's Backbone Grill (hellsbackbonegrill.com) in Boulder, Utah (population: 252). Chef-owners Jen Castle and Blake Spalding, along with their new executive chef, Tamara Stanger, draw on ingredients harvested from their 6-acre organic farm and orchards, from apricots and cherries to rhubarb and fresh herbs. Spalding shows us the asparagus spears growing in the garden; later, we will have the most delightful asparagus soup in mismatched teacups, garnished with a freshly picked honey locust blossom.

Next, we head for glamping outpost Under Canvas Bryce Canyon (undercanvas.com), where a collection of safari-style canvas tents are spread across 750 acres of juniper forest. When I zip open the tent flap, I'm delighted to find a king-size bed stacked with fluffy pillows, cowhide rugs, a private shower and wood-fired stove. Roughing it means getting up at midnight to stoke the stove. At night, we gather around the

Clockwise from top left: The glamping domes at Skyview; Hickman Bridge in Capitol Reef National Park; the night sky sparkles over Kodachrome Basin; Under Canvas has a new glamping outpost near Bryce Canyon; a private hot tub with a view of Red Sands Hotel in Torrey, Utah.

fire pit for s'mores and red wine. Bryce Canyon National Park is a 15-minute drive from Under Canvas. At 35,835 acres, the park is small compared with other national parks, but it packs in incredible views, including the world's largest concentration of hoodoos in Bryce Amphitheater. In 1923, President Warren G. Harding established Bryce as a national monument, so our trip coincides with the park's centennial. After a day of e-biking through the park, we return in the evening to watch a concert staged on the canyon's lip. Cello music fills the air, but the sun setting in hues of pink and purple over the red rocks is the real showstopper.



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BY J.P. ANDERSON

THE SETTING

Just 15 minutes after being picked up by our driver and pulling away from Shannon Airport, we find ourselves passing through the gates of the grandest of Irish estates, easing down a meandering road past immaculately manicured landscaping, a glassy lake, hushed

golf greens and centuries-old yew trees. Finally, we see it: the majestic gray limestone of Dromoland Castle (dromoland.ie), which has been standing in this spot since the 16th century and is now one of Ireland's most distinguished luxury properties.

THE CASTLE

The great structure's history greets guests at every turn, from the suits of armor flanking the reception area to the sumptuous art, antiques, hunting trophies and wallcoverings that fill its labyrinthine halls. But make no mistake: Modernity is top of

Each unique Viscount stateroom features plush furnishings, discrete seating and dining areas, and striking views of the estate.



On a lushly forested 450-acre estate, Dromoland Castle offers the charms of a richly historic property with modern conveniences.



Clockwise from top: The Gallery beckons for coffee or a casual meal; afternoon tea is a must; the Brian Boru suite, named after Ireland's only high king; sophisticated elixirs at The Cocktail Bar.



scenic village of Doolin, famed for its traditional sessions of Irish music. Next time, we'll be sure to hop the ferry to the Aran Islands and explore their ancient ruins and majestic natural surroundings.

THE TAKEAWAY

Its regal setting and abundance of activities and adventures close at hand make Dromoland Castle an ideal base for exploring the West of Ireland, whether for a quick weekend jaunt or an extended stay. And while it's one of Ireland's most historic luxury properties, Dromoland is still upping its game with new offerings like Dromoland Lodge, a recently unveiled five-bedroom private residence on the golf course, plus a soon-to-launch



mind at Dromoland. The poshly outfitted spa boasts of-the-moment brands like Dr. Barbara Sturm and OSKIA and offers quartz crystal bed treatments, while rooms blend classic furnishings with modern conveniences. Meanwhile, the impressive dining program shines at The Earl of Thomond, where a tasting menu delivers the most delectable of regional delights: small oysters plucked from nearby Galway Bay and served with a bracing lime and coriander; perfectly roasted halibut; local farmhouse cheeses; and desserts like citrus soufflé

with clementine compote. And be sure to stop by for a postprandial tittle at The Cocktail Bar, where the drinks are world-class and the surroundings—an intimate, octagonal former library decked in riotous red—are deliciously over the top.

THE ADVENTURES

From fishing and archery to falconry, clay shooting and a championship 18-hole golf course, we could easily fill an action-

packed week without leaving the 450-acre estate. Venture off the grounds, though, and we discover that some of the greatest treasures of Ireland's Wild Atlantic Way are less than an hour's drive from Dromoland's gates. We marvel at the jaw-dropping Cliffs of Moher, which tower ruggedly over the County Clare coast. We take a guided hike of the rocky, otherworldly Burren, whose incredibly diverse flora and geology fill us with wonder. We visit the

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privately connected two-bedroom suite of The Lady Mary O'Brien Room, which merges into the grand Phaerig Stateroom, perfect for families and extended stays. It all combines to make the property a uniquely appealing destination. At its root, says general manager Mark Nolan, what truly sets Dromoland apart—and what we experienced in every interaction during our stay—is the sense of welcome and hospitality offered by the hotel team. “Ancient though Dromoland Castle is,” says Nolan, “sharing it with new people and helping them discover its richness, for the first or 21st time, never gets old. We pride ourselves on making every guest feel like a cherished member of the Dromoland Castle family.”



Heating Up

AFTER TURNING HEADS ON THE U.S. MEN'S NATIONAL TEAM AT THE 2022 FIFA WORLD CUP, KELLYN ACOSTA (@KELLYNACOSTA) JOINS THE CHICAGO FIRE FC (CHICAGOFIREFC.COM) IN A SIGNIFICANT ACQUISITION FOR THE MAJOR LEAGUE SOCCER TEAM. BUT THE MIDFIELDER—WHO CONSIDERS LEBRON JAMES HIS ROLE MODEL AND WEARS THE LEGEND'S 23 JERSEY NUMBER—NOT ONLY SHINES ON THE FIELD; HE'S ALSO ONE OF THE CITY'S MOST STYLISH ATHLETES. WE CHECKED IN WITH ACOSTA TO GET HIS TAKE ON FASHION, FOOD AND THE DAILY ROUTINE THAT KEEPS HIM AT THE TOP OF HIS GAME.

BY LAUREN BROCATO

BREAKFAST: Sunny side up eggs, toast with butter and a coffee
WAKE-UP TIME:

6 a.m.

NEMESIS: Anyone who smacks their food
ESCAPE:

Shopping mall
WEAKNESS:

Hi-Chews

UNIFORM:

MadHappy sweatsuit

FAVORITE

DESIGNER:

Bottega Veneta

HOTEL:

Waldorf Astoria

WORKOUT: Soccer

LAST MEAL:

Surf and turf

MOVIE:

The Goonies

ROLE MODEL:

LeBron James

BEST ADVICE:

“Live in the present.”

MANTRA: “The world is yours; take it.”

SINGER:

Olivia Rodrigo

STREAMING NOW:

Suits

APP: Hulu

CAR: Porsche

BEST CHICAGO

SHOP: SVRN

(I'm still learning.)

COCKTAIL:

Spicy margarita

DINNER: Sushi

BEDTIME: 11 p.m.

THEME SONG TO YOUR LIFE:

“Let's Go” by Khalid

CURRENT VIEW: A

ton of unpacked boxes

WEEKEND BAG:

Any tote bag

3 DESERT ISLAND

ESSENTIALS:

My family, music

and a pillow

YESTERDAY:

Training, then took a

stroll through the city

and grabbed a coffee

ZODIAC: Leo



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