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WHAT'S NEW IN OAKLAND August 2017

Restaurant News

Paradise Park Café Expanding to Oakland

The Park Cafe Group is opening a new location in Oakland. The new cafe will open on August 17 in Paradise Park. Paradise Park Cafe will offer a menu of New American fare featuring local and sustainable ingredients accessible to everyone. The balance of popular cafe fare with healthy, lighter options, as well as more vegan and glutenfree dishes, will round out the menu. The menu will include signature items such as the Ice Cream Burrito and the house made Gluten-Free Mac & Cheese, as well as salads, hand crafted sandwiches, house made pastas and rotating specials. Paradise Park Cafe will also offer weekend brunch on Saturday and Sunday. For more information, visit www.paradiseparkcafe.com.

Shinmai Now Open in Uptown Oakland

<u>Shinmai</u>, a new modern izakaya restaurant, is now open in Uptown Oakland. With a talented team of up-and-comers, from executive chef Jerrod Doss, co-owner and lead ramen chef Andy Liu, and owner Yingji Huang, the restaurant opened with a menu of inventive izakaya dishes and two kinds of ramen. The cocktail program is a collaborative effort between Adam Stemmler of Farm League Restaurant Group and Shinmai bar manager Brian McMillan. For more information, visit www.shinmaioakland.com.

Special Events

Laurel Street Fair: August 12 | Laurel Street

The Laurel Street Fair is celebrating its 18th year with locally made accessories & crafts, artists, community yoga, children's carnival and petting zoo. http://laurelstreetfair.com

Art + Soul: August 19-20 | Downtown Oakland

Enjoy this two-day event with music, dancing, food and family fun at the 17th Annual Art + Soul festival in downtown Oakland! http://artandsouloakland.com

Oakland Chinatown Street Festival: August 26 & 27 | Oakland Chinatown

Enjoy this free, two-day event with more than 200 booths, including delicious foods, unique Asian products and entertainment. www.visitoakland.com/event/oakland-chinatown-street-festival/20774/

Oakland Triathlon: August 26 & 27 | Oakland

The Oakland Triathlon is the largest West Coast urban triathlon, and is all about the incredible triathlon community in Northern California. The race showcases the beautiful city of Oakland, and generates fundraising for Oakland Sports and non-profits. http://oaklandtri.com



The New Parkway Free Outdoor Movie: August 26 | The New Parkway

Enjoy this free movie screening of the movie "Grease", in partnership with Drake's Dealership and the Hive. Outdoor films start 30 minutes after sundown, and they are free and open to all. Screenings take place in the Hive parking lot, on 24th street across from the New Parkway. Guests are welcome to bring their own lawn chairs, blankets and picnic baskets. www.thenewparkway.com

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