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## **Media Release**

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### **Spring into Summer, on Catalina Island**

#### **A Whole Season of Fabulous, Fun Foodie Things-To-Do**

A host of events is slated for the island kicking off this weekend with the Catalina Island Chili Cook-off followed by a wine festival in Two Harbors, Taste Around of Avalon and Avalon Restaurant Week!

#### **5.25.19 Fourth Annual Catalina Island Chili Cook-Off**

Presented by the Rotary Club of Avalon

1:00 pm

South Beach on Avalon Bay

Tickets on Eventbrite

Three different categories of judging: Judges Choice Chili, Peoples Choice Chili and People's Choice Salsa. \$3,000 in prize money why not enter your prized recipe and have some fun while you're at it. Chili entry includes free entry into event.

Adults \$20.00, Children ages 5-11 are \$5.00 or purchase a family pass for \$75.00. Children under the age of 5 are free!

Live music, food, games, raffle and more. Spend the day at the beach, have a drink, taste some amazing recipes and enjoy! Family pass includes the following: 2 adult tickets, 2 children tickets, 4 alcoholic beverages, 4 non-alcoholic beverages & 4 snack items.

Platinum Sponsors include: Catalina Art Association, Catalina Island Chamber of Commerce & Visitors Bureau, Catalina Island Foundation, City of Avalon, Fine Line

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Gold Sponsors include: Catalina Island Company, Catalina Express, CatBev, Chet's Hardware, IEX Helicopters, Journey Catalina Tours, Leo's Catalina Island Drug Store, Southern California Edison, Vons Avalon.

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### **5.30.19 Fifteenth Annual Taste Around of Avalon**

Presented by the Catalina Island Chamber of Commerce & Visitors Bureau

5:00 pm – 9:00 pm

Restaurants in Avalon, CA, including Toyon Grille, Bluewater Avalon, Antonio's Pizza, El Galleon, Avalon Grille, Afishinados and more!

Sample the latest and greatest from a wide variety of restaurants in Avalon and vote for your favorite foods. Take a break between bites and enjoy live music by *The Isleños* on Wrigley Stage from 6:00 pm to 8:30pm. *The Isleños* are a group of local boys who carve the sonic waves of Surf, Blues, and Rock music.

#### **How it Works:**

Purchase a Voting Card (1 per person)

\$2 *Advance purchase* (May 27-May 29) at the Catalina Island Visitor Center on the Green Pleasure Pier

\$3 *Day of the event* at the Catalina Island Visitor Center on the Green Pleasure Pier

\$3 *Night of the event* at Wrigley Stage from 5pm to 9pm

Stroll through town & visit each participating establishment.

Sample all of their "Tastes" (typically \$1-\$5 per "Taste") including:

- Appetizers/Main Dishes
- Sweets & Treats
- Cocktails
- Non-Alcoholic Beverages

VOTE for your favorite "Taste" in each category. Establishments with the 4 Best "Taste" Winners are awarded \$100 each! Tasters that turn in their completed Voting Cards are entered in a bonus drawing with a chance to win a \$50 Catalina Island Gift Certificate. CatalinaChamber.com

### **5.31.19 – 6.6.19 Seventh Annual Avalon Restaurant Week**

Presented by the Catalina Island Chamber of Commerce & Visitors Bureau

Now in its seventh year, some of Avalon's most popular restaurants are ready to dish up mouth-watering food during Avalon Restaurant Week. Join us for a foodie celebration from Friday, May 31st through Thursday, June 6th to indulge in a variety of specially created prix fixe menus. Come out and *Taste More of Avalon!*

Lunch \$10, \$15, \$20

Dinner \$20, \$30, \$40

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### **6.1.19 Eighteenth Annual Two Harbors Summer Wine Festival**

The Catalina Island Company and Rotary Club of Avalon are pleased to present the 18th annual "Summer Wine Festival," a tasting extravaganza featuring the finest in local and imported wines!

Taking place from 1-4pm on the beach in beautiful Two Harbors, Catalina Island, the Summer Wine Festival has become one of Two Harbors most popular events. Complete with a silent auction, live music, complimentary appetizers, and unlimited tastings of all of our participating wineries, this is an event you won't want to miss.

**Tickets** are just \$45 per person and are now on sale! This event will sell out, so don't wait! VisitCatalinaIsland.com

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Images available on request.

*The mission of the Catalina Island Chamber of Commerce & Visitors Bureau is to attract visitors and advocate for commerce on Catalina Island. As the official Destination Marketing & Management Organization of Catalina Island, the nonprofit is governed by an elected board of directors and is funded in-part through the collection of Transient Occupancy Taxes paid by guests staying in area hotels and vacation rentals.*

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