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Restaurant Week Kicks Off in Jackson Heights, Queens

Jackson Heights, NY, June 15, 2010 -- As part of June in Jackson Heights, the month-long arts and economic development initiative sponsored by New York City Council Member Daniel Dromm, neighborhood restaurant owners are taking part in the first ever Jackson Heights Restaurant Week from Sunday, June 20th through Saturday, June 26th. Over 25 restaurants representing over a dozen different nationalities will be offering specially priced menus for residents and visitors to sample cuisine from around the world during the week-long event.

Participating Colombian establishments like Natives Restaurant (82-22 Northern Boulevard), will offer a "picada" for 2 with a glass of wine for \$15 while at La Pequeña Colombia (83-27 Roosevelt Ave.) a choice of appetizer (calamari or tostones), and your choice of Plato Montañero with skirt steak or chicken breast, rice with shrimp or fish filet, or pasta primavera with chicken, and a soda will be offered for \$20.

Participating as well are Nepali & Tibetan restaurants like Shangri-La, at 74-15 Roosevelt Ave., where a 10% discount off anything on the menu is available for the entire week and Elm's Café (74-32 Broadway), where a pancake combo and coffee will run \$5.50 and 8 Chicken momo's and a Thai iced tea will run \$5.

Indian Taj (37-25 74th St.) will be offering a taste of South Asian cuisine with a buffet that will run from 11a.m. to 11p.m. for only \$10. Another option is Delhi Palace (37-33 74th St.), where an appetizer or soup of the day and choice of lamb or chicken main course served with rice, naan and raita, and choice of desert and a glass of red or white wine will cost \$20 (seafood \$2 extra).

For Thai food lovers, Rice Avenue (72-19 Roosevelt Ave.) is offering a starter, an entrée and Thai iced tea or coffee for \$10 (\$11 for shrimp or beef entrée).

At City Coffee (77-17 37th Ave.), a small greek salad with moussaka will cost \$10 while at Espresso 77 (35-57 77th St.) an entrée and a glass of wine for 2 will run \$20 and an entrée and a glass of wine for 1 will cost \$10.

Japanese Restaurant, Tomo (86-12 37th Ave.), will provide any three regular rolls for \$10 and a la carte sushi and sashimi for \$1 a piece. Happy Kitchen (80-12 37th Ave.) meanwhile, is offering the aptly named Jackson Heights Roll, Shrimp Tempura Roll, and California Roll for \$10.

For Italian cuisine, head over to Limoncello (40-39 82nd St.) which will offer soup, salad, entree and dessert for \$20 and Armando's Italian Restaurant (74-27 37th Ave.), which will offer a special June in Jackson Heights tasting menu with a glass of wine for \$20.

To experience a taste of what Roosevelt Avenue food carts have to offer, visitors can take a self-guided walk on blogger Jeff Orlick's (iwantmorefood.com) 2010 Roosevelt Avenue Food Crawl. The tour starts at the corner of 75th St and Roosevelt Avenue at 1 p.m. on Sunday, June 27th.

To promote the event, organizers have created a website (juneinjacksonheights.com) containing a full list of all the June activities, as well as all of the restaurants participating in Jackson Heights Restaurant Week. Additionally, local web sites like jacksonheightslife.com and iwantmorefood.com will be working to promote June in Jackson Heights throughout the month.

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