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18 years young!

Wine & Food Week returns to The Woodlands June 6 -12
New Event Line-up, Celebrity Chefs, and an Impressive List of Wines



Houston, Texas (April 18, 2022) ...The beloved week-long Wine & Food Week returns June 6 – 12 with an entirely new event line-up to celebrate 18 years of all things wine and food. Featuring hundreds of wines, scores of celebrity guests and a list of fresh culinary faces get ready to raise a glass to one of the best wine and food events in the region. This is a celebration 18 years in the making, and for wine and food lovers, an event not to be missed. Period.

Experience several brand new events including

Rose' Way, A Sweet Soiree at The New Peach Orchard Venue, and **For the Love of TEXAS** a celebration of big, bold flavors all Texans love.

The ever-popular Ladies of the Vine luncheon, Tasting & Panel Discussion returns to The Club at Carlton Woods with its tasting panel and discussion. The week culminates with the grand dame—the elaborate **Wine Rendezvous Grand Tasting & Chef Showcase** at the The Woodlands Waterway Marriott Ballroom where acclaimed chefs compete for the coveted GOYA Foods *Chef of Chefs* Award with a Waterford crystal trophy and \$5,000 cash prize. Looking for that extra touch of VIP, be sure to get tickets early to the Bayway



Cadillac VIP Luxury Lounge with specialty wines but limited space. Wine & Food Week is truly foodie heaven all the while supporting charitable organizations such as New Danville and The Woodlands Arts Council, just to name a few.

“Thrilled, doesn’t even come close to how the team at Food & Vine Productions is feeling about having our most long-standing event all together again,” said Wine & Food Week Co-Founder

Constance McDerby. And to celebrate 18 years we felt it was a good time to uncork a few new events for our line-up.”

The event will also pay tribute to an icon in the Houston Restaurant Scene for many years. McDerby announced, “It is not every event year that Wine & Food Week announces a Hall of Fame inductee. Only four have been named for this prestigious lifetime achievement award. This year, Wine & Food Week honors the memory of none other than Cleverley Stone, affectionately known as the “Diva of Dining” and a long-time friend of Food & Vine Time Productions,” remarked McDerby.

Stone was an icon in the Houston restaurant scene with hundreds of interviews on TV, The Cleverley Show (Texas’ most popular and longest

running radio program about food, wine and dining which hit the 15-year mark in 2018.) Stone founded Houston Restaurant Weeks in 2003, which is now the city’s largest annual fundraiser of its kind, making it her life’s mission to beat hunger in Houston. “Dine Out & Do Good” was Stone’s mantra, and her tireless efforts spurred an annual citywide boom in restaurant revenues and contributions to the Houston Food Bank. The induction ceremony will take place at the toast to the kickoff of the Wine Rendezvous Grand Tasting & Chef Showcase.



Wine & Food Week guests will rub elbows and mingle with tastemakers who have made their mark on the culinary and wine industry in remarkable ways. Don’t delay. Get tickets today for this culinary extravaganza—the 18th Anniversary celebration of Wine & Food Week. Event information and tickets at wineandfoodweek.com.

Wine & Food Week is presented by H-E-B. Sponsored by: Bayway Cadillac of The Woodlands, Aruba Tourism, evamor Water, Celebrity Cruises, Southwest Airlines, Wines from Europe Shares (Bulgaria), Constellation Brands, Freixenet-Mionetto USA, Goya Foods, Palm Bay International, Riboli Family Wines, The Wine Group, Trinchero Family Estates, Winebow Fine Wine + Spirits, Republic National Distributing Company, Northwestern Mutual, Alexander Valley Vineyards, Capriccio Sangria, Hess Persson, Michael David Winery, SpeedPro The Woodlands, Primeway Federal Credit Union, Renewal By Andersen, Home Care Assistance, The Broadmoor at Creekside Park, The Woodlands Country Club, The Butler House, Women Driving Business, Genesis Photography, Kelley Sweet Photography, Houston Magazine, Hello Woodlands, Infiniti Graphics, Woodlands Online, and Food Photographer Steven David.

ABOUT WINE & FOOD WEEK AND FOOD & VINE TIME PRODUCTIONS

Food & Vine Time Productions, producer of Wine & Food Week, celebrates 20 years in 2022 and is proud to have raised over \$2 million dollars through various channels since its inception in 2002 for local charities and deserving non-profits.

The first large scale event in the Metro founded by Food & Vine Time Productions, Wine & Food Week, was the first multi-day, multi-faceted, comprehensive destination culinary and wine event and the first nationally to promote locally sourced and sustainable products. Founder Constance McDerby with life and business partner, Clifton McDerby have been promoting and furthering the diverse culinary scene to avid followers since 2002. Diffusing the mystique of wines, FVTP events make wines approachable by educating the novice to the aficionado. Food & Vine Time Productions created another first when it launched the state’s first multi-day craft beer destination and educational event featuring over 300 craft beer selections. Brewmasters Craft Beer Festival celebrated a decade of craft beer experiences, being named #3 beer event in America by USA Today and #1 in Houston by Houstonia Magazine. Food & Vine Time Productions’ events include Houston Chronicle Culinary Stars, Katy Sip N Stroll, Wine Fair Cy-Fair, Zest in the West, Haute Wheels Food Truck Fest, and a myriad of public lifestyle events and private events for various clients.