

Published April 18th, 2018 Orinda's Restaurant Tour a feast for the senses on May 1

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Perfect for hungry locals or for foodies who fancy jumping off BART for a leisurely ramble through Orinda's Crossroads District in and around Theatre Square, sampling food and wine while being musically entertained, the 2018 Restaurant Tour, Wine & Dine, will be held Tuesday, May 1 from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. The popular annual event is organized by the Orinda Chamber of Commerce.

Patrons will check in at 51 Moraga Way, a shaded offstreet area close to Peet's Coffee. On check in, each guest will receive a free glass of wine from Lamorinda Winegrowers Association sponsored by PG&E. Appetizers will be provided at the check-in location by several local restaurants including Genuine Goodness. Entertainment will be provided by the Miramonte Jazz band at check-in, and another jazz group will perform near the fountain. Orinda Idol competitors will be singing across the street

Photo provided

from Piccolo Napoli.

Patrons will receive tickets to sample food at 14 different restaurants just steps away. Participants include Casa Orinda, Fourth Bore, Cine Cuvee, Republic of Cake, and Taverna Pelligrini. Joining up this year is Saffron Indian Restaurant and Bar, opening soon in the space formerly occupied by Magnolia. Saffron is a family-run business; the family had two restaurants on the East Coast before moving to Orinda.

If people want to support the Educational Foundation of Orinda, they can buy their tickets on the EFO website, and \$10 will go directly to the EFO. Tickets cost \$40, the same as last year, and can be purchased online at either www.Orindachamber.org or www.orindaefo.org.

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