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Caruccio's state-of-the-art culinary event center opens Sept. 14 on Mercer Island

Full demonstration kitchen with filming capabilities offers unique space for cooking classes, food and wine experiences, and televised events

What: Community Event - Caruccio's culinary event center's grand opening and ribbon cutting ceremony

When: Thursday, Sept. 14, from 4 to 8 p.m.

Where: Caruccio's, 2441 76th Avenue SE, Suite 100, Mercer Island, WA

Additional Information: Interviews with Lisa Caruccio

Agenda: Ribbon cutting, Cooking demonstrations, and food and wine tastings

Photo Opportunities: Available throughout the evening for photography and B roll.

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About:

Caruccio's is a state-of-the-art culinary event center located on Mercer Island, just minutes between Seattle and Bellevue, Washington. Inspired by a love of beautiful food, wine, film and hospitality from all over the world, owner Lisa Caruccio designed the demonstration kitchen with on-site audio and video capabilities with the aim of elevating the culinary arts by showcasing local and international talent through televised chef demonstrations, cooking classes, food and wine events, live food blogging, product launches and more.





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Region's newest demonstration kitchen with filming capabilities offers unique space for cooking classes, food & wine experiences and televised events

SEATTLE - August 18, 2017 - Founder and owner Lisa Caruccio invites the public to the ribbon cutting ceremony and grand opening celebration for Caruccio's, a new culinary event center with a demonstration kitchen and filming capabilities on Mercer Island, Sept. 14 from 4 to 8 p.m.

Caruccio's is poised to be the region's go-to place for wine and film events, televised cooking classes, live food blogging, food photography, product launches and private events.



Inspired by a love for food, wine, film and hospitality from around the world, this event space sets the stage for hosting international and local chefs, winemakers, home cooks and instructors. Located on Mercer Island, Caruccio's is the longtime dream of owner Lisa Caruccio. With a passion for international cuisine and beautifully made food, her mission is to bring people together through culinary events.

Lisa dreamed of having a place with a beautiful kitchen where people could gather for team-oriented cooking classes, pop-up ventures or specialty-catered events. For an even more immersive experience, she hopes to host chefs for culinary showcases and hold film and food nights.

“We have so much talent here. I’ve met wonderful cooks, specializing in different cuisines from around the world. I would love to celebrate the culinary arts in this community by showcasing all these amazing people,” said Lisa, “My hope is to elevate the culinary arts by hosting events at Caruccio's dedicated to sharing beautiful food,

so I can bring hospitality and artistic cuisine together. Through every shared experience, I want to offer the same warmth, love, and care to my community that has been so graciously extended to me along the way.”

The centerpiece of the two-level, 1800-square foot event center is the grand demonstration kitchen featuring a 21-foot long curved countertop with twelve burners and huge overhead screens allowing attendees to view all the action. Street-facing windows provide a warm ambiance for the main level, with seating for up to 40 diners (or standing room for 80 guests). Overlooking the main level is a 440-square foot mezzanine furnished with a large round table and a fireplace intended for more intimate gatherings and business meetings.

Food professionals, bloggers, and film producers will enjoy using this kitchen to showcase new products or dishes, test recipes, or film a televised cooking class or event. Large film walls add dramatic effect for live events and a wall-mounted flat screen is available for broadcasts during guest chef appearances. It is also ideal setting for a pop-up venture or product launch.

Prior to the official grand opening in mid-September, Caruccio’s will host American food blogger Cindy Swain of Italicana Kitchen for three days of cooking classes and a pop-up dinner beginning August 24th.

Grand Opening: Thursday, Sept. 14, from 4 to 8 p.m.

Caruccio’s Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting Ceremony will be Thursday, Sept. 14 with cooking demonstrations and food and wine tastings from 4 to 8 p.m.

Learn to Cook Like an Italian: Cooking classes, August 25 - 27

Caruccio’s will host three days of Italian cooking classes with guest presenter Cindy Swain, an American food blogger coming to Mercer Island from Northern Italy. Register for classes here <http://bit.ly/2uEGFla>

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Design: Caruccio’s was designed by Mercer Island design-build architect Suzanne Zahr, (www.suzannezahr.com).

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