

experienceguildford™

Newsletter

October 2019

Indie Spot of the month!

Theion

Inspired Greek Traditional Cuisine now open at Centenary Hall, Chapel Street.

"Our menu highlights the use of fresh ingredients from the Mediterranean, brought together with creativity and ingenuity. Each dinner becomes a trip to the aromas of a Greek garden on a sweet summer night. Contemporary techniques and unexpected twists elevate the dining experience which is catered with provision and care."

Why not try a delicious cocktail while you are visiting Theion? Happy hour is 2-4-1 on all cocktails everyday Mon-Sun 5pm-7pm when you eat in the restaurant!

Let's drink to that!

Monday – Thursday 12pm-10pm, Friday – Saturday 12pm – 11pm
and Sunday 12pm – 9pm.

Newsletter and events flyer inclusion

If you have an event you would like included in our monthly newsletter please ensure you have sent the details to sasha@experienceguildford.com by the 15 of the month to be included in the following months newsletter.

Deadline for inclusion in our bi monthly events flyer for November/December is 15 October 2019.

Space is allocated on a first come first served basis.

Would you like a discount on travel? Great travel deals for staff working in Guildford

Experience Guildford have teamed up with Arriva to encourage staff in Guildford to travel to work in the most environmentally-friendly way - save money every month with an Arriva ticket!

By working in partnership with Arriva you can take advantage of big discounts on monthly tickets that allow unlimited travel on Arriva buses across the area of your choice.

By purchasing your ticket monthly you will cut your travel costs and you can spread the cost of payment with a monthly direct debit.

The tickets are valid seven days a week and, don't forget, the more you travel, the more you save!

For further information or to sign up please visit www.arrivabus.co.uk/guildford-etc



AGM –

Come and meet us!

We will be holding our 6th Annual General Meeting on Wednesday 16 October 2019, 6pm at The Guildford Harbour Hotel.

As well as meeting the Board, we will update you on the Experience Guildford projects and improvements over the last year, an overview of accounts and let you know what is planned for the coming year.

This is an opportunity to raise questions with the team, so we really hope that you can come along. Please RSVP to sasha@experienceguildford.com by Friday 11 October 2019.



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Customer Service Awards 2019 – Results!!!

We celebrated our 7th year of Customer Service Awards on Monday 16 September at the Yvonne Arnaud Theatre. Local dignitaries, town centre businesses and representatives enjoyed an evening of honouring our customer service heroes.

Nominations for each of the award categories were announced in July and since then each of the shortlisted businesses had been visited by a secret shopper and scores added up to determine the winner of their category!

And the winners for the Best Customer Service in the following categories are...

Coffee Shops - Coffee Culture, **Food on the Go** – Goodfillas, **Hair & Beauty** – Sanrizz, **Health & Fitness** – Red Hot Yoga, **Leisure & Lifestyle** – The Electric Theatre, **Professional Services (sponsored by Chapters Financial)** – Halifax, **Pubs, Bars & Clubs** – The Three Pigeons, **Restaurant Independent (sponsored by The County Club)** – Thai Terrace, **Restaurant National** – Cosy Club, **Retail Independent** – The Bear Garden, **Retail Large (sponsored by Tunsgate Quarter)** – Waitrose & Partners, **Retail Small** – Pure Collection, **Service Provider** – The White Lion Walk, **Shining Star** – Lydia Dwek - Snappy Snaps.

Pub quizzes

Every Monday – The Kings Head, Quarry Street

Every Tuesday – The Royal Oak

Every Thursday – The Three Pigeons

Every Month - Pie, Mash & Quiz, G Live

Regular Events

Every Monday - Live flamenco music from 7pm, De Nada

Every Monday - Yoga for Beginners, Red Hot Yoga

Every Tuesday - Run Club, Lululemon

Every Wednesday - Free Tea's for Those in Need, The Cosy Club 10-11am

Every Thursday - HarSPA Running Club, Guildford Harbour Hotel

Every Friday - Medical Herbalist Peter Protopapa Jones, Food For Thought. Appointment required.

Every Saturday - Gavin & his Guitar, The Tup

Every Saturday - Yoga for Beginners, Red Hot Yoga

Every Month

Every 4th Thursday - #GuildfordBuzz, 10-12pm Tunsgate Quarter

Every 2nd Saturday - Guildford Repair Cafe, Park Barn Social Club

New Openings for September

- Pims – Upper High Street
- Carmona Steak & Tapas – Upper High Street

Coming soon...

- Schmidt – Upper High Street
- London Coffee House – High Street
- La Casita – refurbished!

Christmas Lights Switch On and opening hours

Let us know if you have any activity planned for 21 November when the annual light switch on is happening! This is a great opportunity to attract thousands of visitors to the town to your business. We will also be collating town centre festive opening hours – to be included please email sasha@experienceguildford.com

Dates for the Diary

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- 1 – Guildford Farmers' Market, High Street
 - 3 – StreetVet Fundraiser – Broken Dollars/The Landings, The Star Inn
 - 4 – Terrace Sundowner Indian Summer, Guildford Harbour Hotel
 - 4 – Black Tie Fundraiser, The Electric Theatre
 - 5 – Kirtan Meditation Night, The Guildford Institute
 - 5 – High Street Take Over for World Space Week, High Street
 - 6-13 – Guildford Book Festival, Town Wide
 - 8 – Student Night, The Friary Guildford
 - 9 – Psychic Night, The Three Pigeons
 - 9 – Quiz Night October, Cobbstar
 - 9 – Bright Club does World Space Week, The Star Inn
 - 10 – World Homeless Day activity, High Street
 - 10 – The Oakleaf Firewalk, Guildford Cricket Club
 - 12 – Tastings, Food for Thought
 - 12-2 November – Guildford Shakespeare Company presents All's Well That Ends Well, St Nicholas Church
 - 12 – Fangclub, The Boileroom
 - 13 – Guildford 10k, starting in the High Street
 - 16 – Sight for Surrey's 12 hour Sign-a-Thon, G Live
 - 19 – Saturday Family Fun Mornings, Guildford House Gallery
 - 21 – YMCA Open Day, YMCA
 - 23 – Judith Owen, The Electric Theatre
 - 25 – Reload October, The Star Inn
 - 27 – Mini Ravers – Lil Monsters Halloween, Popworld
 - 28 – Drink & Draw, The Boileroom
 - 30 – Peppa Pig's Best Day ever, G Live
 - 31 – Halloween Brexit Party, Growlers & Cans
 - 31 – Sing-a-long The Rocky Horror Picture Show, The Electric Theatre