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Newport Mansions Wine & Food Festival to Feature Chef Marcus Samuelsson; Tickets on Sale July 31

NEWPORT, R.I. – Two events featuring celebrated Chef Marcus Samuelsson highlight the 20th annual Newport Mansions Wine & Food Festival, September 18-21 at Rosecliff and Marble House.

Tickets for all Wine & Food Festival events – including 23 tasting seminars, the Vintner Dinner, Sunday Jazz Brunch, “Conversation with Marcus Samuelsson” and a new feature, Soiree du Vin, will go on sale to the public starting Thursday, July 31, at 9 a.m. Go to www.newportmansions.org/events/newport-mansions-wine-food-festival-2025.

Born in Ethiopia and raised in Sweden, Chef Samuelsson is the culinary force behind esteemed restaurants in New York, New Jersey, Washington, D.C., Atlanta, Miami, The Bahamas, Canada, and Ethiopia. He has won eight James Beard Foundation Awards and appears on TV shows such as the Food Network’s “Chopped,” Peacock’s “Top Chef: Family Style” and Netflix’s “Iron Chef: Quest for an Iron Legend.”

“Chef Samuelsson is the kind of international culinary star who will spice up the Wine & Food Festival and make it an unforgettable experience,” said Trudy Coxe, CEO and Executive Director of The Preservation Society of Newport County, which organizes the annual event. “We’re also excited to introduce the new Soiree du Vin as well as a unique series of seminars. Whether you’re interested in bubbly, pinot noir or cognac, rum, bourbon or tequila, caviar or wild-foraged foods, we have a seminar for you. This festival will celebrate its 20th year in fine style!”

Samuelsson will host the annual Vintner Dinner on September 19, creating a signature first course for the evening, followed by courses from Chefs Kevin Des Chenes, Terence Feury and Adam Young. He will also be featured September 20 at Rosecliff for “In Conversation with Chef Marcus Samuelsson,” where he will share stories from his remarkable culinary journey and his distinctive approach to flavor and culture.



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Three days of tasting seminars will explore wines from around the world as well as spirits and craft beer. Wine & Food Festival tickets also include access to the Tasting Tent, where wineries and distributors, other beverage vendors and local restaurants will offer samples.

Tasting plates for all wine seminars are generously provided by D'Artagnan, one of the festival's Grand Cru Sponsors along with Amelia wines; Bhakta Spirits; Basil Hayden; Benchmark Senior Living; Buglioni vineyards; Chairman's Reserve Rum; Hardy Cognac; Kobrand Fine Wine and Spirits; Luxury Brands/Viña Concha y Toro; Minus 196 Vodka Seltzer; Quigley Fine Wines; and Terrunyo wines.

Support for the festival also comes from Vintner Sponsors: Alexian Pâté & Specialty Meats; Alma del Jaguar Tequila; BankNewport; Brands of Portugal Wine & Spirits; Bubbles of Britain; Cakebread Cellars; Chef Kevin Des Chenes; Continuum Estate Winery; Côtes du Rhône; Dasani; Delamain Cognac; Discover Newport; The Fladgate Partnership; Fonseca Porto; Gold's Wine and Spirits; Jackson Family Wines; Larressingle Armagnac; Marky's Caviar; Narragansett Creamery; National Trust Insurance Services, LLC; Natural Tableware; New England Home magazine; Perchance Estates; Sequoia Grove; St. Francis Winery & Vineyards; Trifecta; and United Airlines.

Proceeds from the Newport Mansions Wine & Food Festival benefit The Preservation Society of Newport County, a nonprofit organization accredited by the American Alliance of Museums and dedicated to preserving and interpreting the area's historic architecture, landscapes and decorative arts. Its 11 historic properties — seven of them National Historic Landmarks — span more than 250 years of American architectural and social development.

For more information, please visit www.NewportMansions.org.

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