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**2024 Nantucket Wine & Food Festival Kicks Off the Summer Season for their 26th Annual Festival**

*The Festival Will Take Place May 15-19, 2024 featuring an amazing lineup of talent*

NANTUCKET, MA (April 10, 2024) [The Nantucket Wine & Food Festival](https://nantucketwinefestival.com/) is thrilled to kickoff the summer season on the Island with their All-star lineup of Wine and Chef luminaries on May 15-19, 2024, featuring local and international winemakers and chefs. Now in it’s 26th year, the Nantucket Wine & Food Festival is one of the most celebrated food and wine events in the world, drawing over 4,000+ attendees each May and marks the awakening of the island for the summer season. Guests will join award winning restaurants and chefs, renowned wineries and vintners, esteemed sommeliers & presenters along with wine & food enthusiasts for this collection of over 50 prestigious events.

Over the course of five days, the island comes alive with elegant tastings, seminars, brunches, lunches, dinners and a myriad of educational seminars. Fusing the elegance and time-honored techniques of Old World wineries with the bold creativity and pioneering spirit of New World wineries alongside modern spirits, the Nantucket Wine & Food Festival is a unique opportunity for oenophiles to enjoy a diverse array of wine and food from across the Globe.

“2024 marks the return of our beloved wine festival to kick off the summer season on Nantucket. This year, we're not just celebrating wine and food from around New England; we're embracing a global symphony of flavors, with international talent that promises to delight the senses and transport us to vineyards around the world,” says Nancy Bean, Executive Director of the Nantucket Wine Festival. “Whether novice or connoisseur, there's something for everyone, with opportunities to deepen their knowledge, expand their palate, and connect with fellow wine enthusiasts. The Nantucket Food & Wine Wine Festival is not just a celebration of wine; it's a celebration of heritage, innovation, and the universal joy of sharing food and drinks among friends. We can’t wait for everyone to join us in May for an unforgettable journey through the world of wine, where tradition meets modernity, and every glass tells a story.”

Centered around the Grand Tasting sessions, the festival features additional signature events such as the illustrious Harbor Gala with 40+ wine and food pairings; an elegant walk around tasting event with local, reginal, national and international chefs paired with top winemakers from around the globe. Additional renowned events include the Rosé Brunch, Bubbles & Claws Lobster Luncheon, Judgement of Paris Tasting, Backroads of Burgundy Luncheon, Cocktail Jazz Brunch, “Taking it to the Banks” Bordeaux Luncheon, La Fête Wine Dinner….. and many more!

Local James Beard nominated chefs alongside international guest chefs from Michelin Star restaurants will showcase the best of the best around the Globe. Chefs/Restaurants include: Robert Sisca of Bistro du Midi, Erin Miller of Urban Hearth, Nathan Rich of Twin Farms, Nick Dixon of Prima, David Blessing of the State Room, Joseph Hsu of Brant Point Grill with international chefs from Piazza Duomo (Alba, Italy), Les Belles Perdrix Château - Troplong-Mondot (Saint-Émilion, France) and Casa Vigil & Angélica (Mendoza, Argentina)

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The seminar series includes thought leaders and wine minds like **Eric Asimov**, author and chief wine critic for the New York Times, **Elin McCoy**, wine writer, author, columnist for Bloomberg Markets and international wine judge, **Kevin Zraly**, author, wine educator and founder of the Windows on the World Wine School… and the list goes on. The 2024 NWF Sommelier Team is bar none with wine directors and sommeliers from top restaurants around the country including Yannick Benjamin of Contento Restaurant (NYC), Frenchie, André Compeyre of Bilboquet (NY & Sag Harbor)

For more information, full schedule of events and tickets: <https://nantucketwinefestival.com/>

Press photos can be found [here.](https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fo/z8ejmdrdqgf12zlnzs73o/h?rlkey=bmd5blysna5u8jz43gzr6hp71&dl=0)

**About the Nantucket Wine & Food Festival Charitable Foundation**

The Nantucket Wine & Food Festival Charitable Foundation is the charitable arm of this annual event. Over the past 22 years, the NWF has donated over a million dollars to Nantucket Island charities and non-profit organizations on and off island. They are committed to supporting the island community, its history and its natural resources. They embrace the Nantucket High School Culinary Arts program, providing on-going contribution to their scholarship efforts, hosting a yearly Junior Top Chef competition and providing paid student employment and mentoring opportunities. The NWFCF supports over 30 different organizations annually. <https://nantucketwinefestival.com/> <https://www.instagram.com/nantucketwineandfood/>