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Greenmarket Turns Blue: Seafood Fest at Union Square Greenmarket

New York, NY— On Friday, June 26, from 11 am to 8 pm, Grow NYC's Union Square Greenmarket will host its very first Seafood Fest in partnership with Sustainable Seafood Week and Village Fishmonger. Seafood Fest will highlight local restaurants selling prepared dishes that feature sustainably caught seafood from the northeast seaboard. Restaurants will join the regular Friday Greenmarket line up and serve seasonally inspired seafood dishes at lunchtime, from 11 am – 2 pm, with live music provided by The Blue Vipers of Brooklyn. Additionally, the market will extend its regular hours until 8 pm and from 4-8 pm restaurants will serve their dishes inside a beer garden selling local beer, wine and hard cider which will be located at the north end of Union Square. Live music for the evening will be provided by Ray Mantilla courtesy of The Jazz Foundation. Nautical themed games for children and a seafood cooking demo by Emily Peterson of Heritage Radio's Sharp & Hot make this event fun for all ages. For those shoppers that want to prepare a seafood fest of their own, our Friday Seafood vendor, Pura Vida, will be on hand selling locally caught fish and shellfish.

Seafood Fest

Union Square Greenmarket
17th Street & Union Square West
Friday, June 26, Lunch: 11 am - 2 pm & Dinner/Beer Garden: 4 pm - 8 pm
Free and Open to the Public with dishes and alcohol for purchase

Restaurants Participating in **Seafood Fest**

Back Forty West
Balvanera
Blue Water Grill
Botequim
Brooklyn Oyster Party
Crave Fishbar
The Fourth
Luke's Lobster
Northern Spy Food Co.

The Pavilion

This event is free and open to the public and co-sponsored by the <u>Manhattan Borough Presidents Office</u>, <u>Union Square Partnership</u>, <u>feedfeed</u>, <u>Brooklyn Brewery</u>, <u>Future of Fish</u>, <u>Village Fishmonger</u>, <u>Fliplabs</u> and <u>EmblemHealth</u>.

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