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'Open' season on taste

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The US Open will be serving up lots of delicious options starting with the annual Taste of Tennis, which brings together players and chefs at the top of their game.

The series of foodie events opens with an Aug. 27 gala at the W New York, hosted by celebrity chef Marc Murphy, tennis pros the Bryan brothers and former "Bachelorette" star Andi Dorfman.

A portion of the proceeds will benefit chef Eli Kulp, of Philadelphia's High Street Market, who was slated to open a New York restaurant before he was critically injured in the Amtrak train derailment, said Penny Lerner, chief executive of AYS, which produces the events.

Other events will include the Celebrity Chef Tennis Challenge on Aug. 26 and Party with the Pros on Aug. 29. For tickets, go to tasteoftennisnyc.com.

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The food will look as good as it tastes this fall at Sotheby's.

Presented by New York-Presbyterian, more than 20 Upper East Side chefs will create dishes inspired from Sotheby's upcoming auction at the "Art of the Food" festival. Hosted by chef Michael White and fashion designer Nicole Miller, participating restaurants include Cafe Boulud, The Writing Room and Le Cirque.

"For the first time ever, Sotheby's will host a spectacular food event in its hallowed halls and will be curating art for each of the restaurant's one of a kind tastings that night," said sponsor Jeanne Straus, publisher of the neighborhood weekly Our Town.

Tickets for the Oct. 13 event are \$135, and VIP early access is \$200. For more information, go to ArtofFoodNY.com

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Harlem Nights, at 2361 Adam Clayton Powell Blvd. on the corner of 138th Street, is taking over the space once occupied by Epiphany, a neighborhood watering hole. Claud Fatu is owner and head barkeep.

The 1,500 square-foot bar and lounge will offer cocktails, craft beers, light food, DJs and jazz on Sundays and Thursdays when it opens on Friday. The bar lounge will be open 4 p.m. to 2 a.m. Sundays through Thursdays and until 4 a.m. Fridays and Saturdays.

"Harlem Nights," of course, is also the name of a film set in 1930s Harlem starring Eddie Murphy and the late Richard Pryor. jkeil@nypost.com

