



ART AND SOUL OFFERS AN ABUNDANCE OF OUTDOOR DINING OPITONS

Enjoy Art and Soul's new Crab and Beer Wednesdays, Puppy Menu, and outdoor fire pit

Washington, DC (May 19, 2009) – With summer right around the corner, Art and Soul is providing diners with a plethora of reasons to enjoy summer's warm breeze. The restaurant's recently opened seasonal patio is introducing Crab and Beer Wednesdays on Wednesday, May 27th, where guests can cozy up to the new outdoor fire pit while indulging in Maryland's finest while throwing back iced-cold brews. In addition, patrons with furry friends can bring them by the patio for the Puppy Patio Menu complete with doggie drinks, treats and desserts, which are available now.

The Crab and Beer Wednesdays special includes three super jumbo crabs, corn on the cob or seasonal vegetables, hushpuppies and potatoes, price will vary depending on the market price of the day. The crabs are a perfect match for Art and Soul's selection of regional microbrews available on tap. The restaurant recently went local with its brews on tap, and is now *only* serving beer from area breweries such as *Double Dog Double Pale Ale* from Flying Dog Brewery in Maryland and *Beach House Golden Pilsner* from Old Dominion Brewing Company in Virginia. Buckets of six 7oz. "nips" are also available for \$14. Crab and Beer Wednesdays is from 5:30 p.m. – 10:30 p.m. on the patio every Wednesday until the patio closes for the season.

In addition, the Puppy Menu will be available on the patio only and includes pet-friendly beverages such as *Wagtime*, your best friends' non-alcoholic brew; *Vitapaw*, vitamin enhanced water; and water. Treats include *Raw Deal* frozen raw bones; "*Hungry Dawg*" 6 oz. grilled steak; and *Gravy Train* beef tips topped with vitamin-enhanced sauce with rice. There are even dog friendly desserts such as *Pure Bread*, homemade doggie granola treats; *Puppy Cakes*, chef's selection; and *Dog Biscuits*, homemade treats. The Puppy Menu is available everyday of the week in the spring, summer and fall when the patio is open.

The Puppy Menu will also be available in The Liaison Capitol Hill, an Affinia Hotel's in-room dining menu, for those that stay at the hotel with their four legged family member.

To find out more information about the Crab and Beer Wednesdays or the Puppy Patio Menu please call 202-393-7777 or visit www.artandsoul.com. Reservations are recommended.

Art and Soul is open for breakfast from 6:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Monday – Friday; lunch is served from 11:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. Monday – Friday; and dinner is served from 5:30 p.m. – 10:30 p.m. Monday – Thursday, 5:30 p.m. – 11 p.m. Friday – Saturday; and Sunday Supper is from 4:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. on Sundays. Art and Soul also serves its Weekend Brunch from 10:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. Saturdays and until 4:00 p.m. Sundays.

ArtBar lounge services are from 4 p.m. – 12 a.m. The restaurant is located at The Liaison Capitol Hill, an Affinia Hotel, 415 New Jersey Avenue NW, Washington, DC. Reservations are recommended. To contact the restaurant or to make reservations, please call 202-393-7777 or toll free 866-944-4ART. For more information on Art and Soul, visit www.artandsoul.com.

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