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**SANTA MONICA PLACE INTRODUCES SIXTH CHEF-DRIVEN RESTAURANT TO ROOFTOP DINING DECK: SONOMA WINE GARDEN**

SANTA MONICA, Calif., April 29, 2010 – Santa Monica Place today popped the cork on its sixth chef-driven restaurant for the Dining Deck: Sonoma Wine Garden. The new concept, an inventive hybrid of a wine bar and beer garden designed to bring the best of Sonoma wine country to Santa Monica, joins five already announced restaurants for the Dining Deck. All are slated to open with the property on Aug. 6, 2010.

The vision of West Coast restaurateur Jeremy Umland, Sonoma Wine Garden introduces a new approach to the traditional wine bar by incorporating the extensive outdoor setting of Santa Monica Place to create a unique indoor-outdoor feel. Offering breathtaking views and ocean breezes, the elegant space will feature a rustic wine cellar ambiance complete with a striking wine bottle chandelier. An outdoor bar will be surrounded by olive trees, herb beds and organic plantings that will create an urban wine country feel in the heart of the city.

The casual yet refined menu will feature small plates for sharing, as well as fresh pastas and a delectable cheese and charcuterie selection. The expansive wine selection will offer a namesake “Best Of Sonoma” list, as well as a variety of selections from across the globe. There will also be an extensive “wines by the glass” list and a great house white and red served “on tap.”

In addition to Sonoma Wine Garden, Umland is also behind Ozumo, a contemporary Japanese cuisine restaurant that is one of five already announced restaurants for the new Santa Monica Place. Other destinations include two concepts from nationally recognized restaurateur Richard Sandoval, Zengo and La Sandia, plus Pizza Antica and Chris Yeo’s XINO Restaurant + Lounge.

“Dedicating an entire level of the property to food experiences is something new and exciting in department-store anchored shopping center design,” said Doug Roscoe, senior manager, property management for Santa Monica Place. “Sonoma Wine Garden adds a wonderful concept to the mix on our Dining Deck and its urban garden setting will be a real oasis in the city.”

Last fall the property announced nine fast-casual options for the Dining Deck including: Charlie Kabob; Chick n’ Ribbs; Fatburger; Manchu Wok; Pinches Tacos; Sarku Japan; Stefano’s Pizza; Sushi Itto; and Wetzel’s Pretzels. The indoor-outdoor, fast-casual component of the Dining Deck will comprise nearly 17,000 square feet in a modern design dominated by extensive glass and open views.

In addition to the eclectic cuisine options provided by the Dining Deck, the Market at Santa Monica Place will share space on the rooftop to provide the ultimate one-stop shopping experience. The Market will be an artisanal food experience, gathering independently-owned food purveyors of meats, fish, cheeses, bread, fruits and vegetables to complement the rooftop's chef-driven dining concepts and fast-casual restaurant options.

The retail attractions of Santa Monica Place include a new Bloomingdale's and a new Nordstrom plus a growing roster of specialty stores including Barneys Co-op, Burberry, Kitson, Nike, CB2, Juicy Couture, Hugo Boss, Michael Kors, Ted Baker, AllSaints Spitalfields, 7 For All Mankind, Love Culture and many more.

The urban beach experience is a major design focus of the approximately 550,000 square-foot, new Santa Monica Place, located just two blocks from the beach and right next to the popular Third Street Promenade.

To get the latest news about the new Santa Monica Place, the public is invited to visit [www.santamonikaplace.com](http://www.santamonikaplace.com) and sign up for the InSight e-newsletter and enter to win a \$10,000 prize.

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