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**TASTE OF ATLANTA PRESENTED BY CAPITAL ONE PUTS YOU AT THE CENTER OF THE ACTION
WITH THREE STAGES TO CHOOSE FROM THIS OCT. 20-22**

*Chef's Table, Kitchen Workshop and Home Plate Stages Offer An Opportunity
To Learn Alongside The Pros*

ATLANTA (Sept. 2017) - Tickets are going fast for the 16th annual [Taste of Atlanta Presented by Capital One](#) debuting Oct. 20-22 in its new permanent home in the city's Historic Fourth Ward Park, adjacent to the Beltline. Organizers of Atlanta's most anticipated fall food festival are busy behind the scenes whipping up special chef appearances, dynamic demos, barcraft competitions and a Friday night kickoff party – not to mention top-notch craft beer, cocktails and wines with craveable creations from more than 90 of Atlanta's favorite restaurants.

As always, attendees will be at the center of the action with three interactive stages running complimentary demonstrations on Saturday and Sunday. At the **Chef's Table stage** hosted by Tom Sullivan, food fans can pull up a seat, learn tips and techniques and enjoy tastes and sips from some of Atlanta's favorite chefs from Establishment, 1Kept, and DaVinci's, along with local Food Network Star finalist Rusty Hamlin and more. The audience will also be energized and entertained by a local DJ providing lively music. The Chef's Table is a fun, interactive setting for the first 60 lucky attendees.

At the **Sprouts Farmers Market Home Plate stage**, all ages will be inspired to tie on an apron, gather around the kitchen counter and get cooking as locally and nationally celebrated chefs demonstrate home-cooked favorites with the freshest local ingredients on the spot. With Northside Hospital as the presenting sponsor, featured guests of the Home Plate stage include chefs from Open Hand Atlanta, the Georgia Peanut Commission, Sprouts and Andretti Grill.

At the **Kitchen Workshop stage**, whether you're a skilled home cook or still learning how to successfully boil water, there's a spot for you at one of the 20 hands-on kitchen stations. Each cooking experience, sponsored in part by The Cook's Warehouse and led by some of the city's most talented chefs, will be hosted by TV and radio personality Holly Firfer. Featured chefs include local favorites from 5Church, RA Sushi, Davio's and more.

Those wanting to shake up a more sip-able craft cocktail learning experience will want to check out the weekend-long Ninth Annual Barcraft Competition sponsored by George Dickel. Winners of this September's quarterfinal competition will gather on Saturday and Sunday with cocktail shakers in hand for the exciting semifinal and final competitions featuring some of the city's most cutting-edge beverage tastemakers doing the judging and Greg Best as the emcee.

Taste of Atlanta is celebrating its Sweet 16th year with more than 200 nibbles, sips and samples from the city's favorite neighborhood hotspots alongside today's most creative restaurants. Local favorites and exciting newcomers participating this year include Hattie B's, Le Bilboquet, Hampton + Hudson, The Halal Guys, Bezoria and Better Half.

In addition to Saturday and Sunday General Admission food adventures filled with soul-satisfying samples, festivalgoers can upgrade to the Grand Tasting Experience, which includes 20 Taste Points and access to exclusive bites and beverages. This popular option sells out every year, so tasters are encouraged to purchase their tickets early. Hometown chefs Jonathan and Justin Fox of Fox Bros. BBQ are looking forward to hosting Friday night's Sweet 16 Kick-Off Party sponsored by Cheney Brothers, and chef demonstrations, interactive panel conversations, music and more round out the schedule for a weekend full of food and fun.

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Attendees are encouraged to ride their bikes to the festival and park at the Emory Midtown Hospital Bike Valet. To keep up with Taste of Atlanta updates, check out the official festival website at TasteOfAtlanta.com, sign up for the fun, foodie [Bite of News](#) newsletter and follow Taste of Atlanta on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#).

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