





St Anthony Foundation of Charlotte

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The St. Anthony Foundation of Charlotte <u>Proudly Invites You</u> to be part of our extraordinary event that combines culture and compassion. <u>FESTA ITALIANA</u> Charlotte 2025 is a celebration of Italy's finest traditions, showcasing exceptional Italian Cuisine, Prosecco, Wine, PERONI beer, Professional Music, and Art, all while raising awareness and funds for individuals with disabilities.

Now entering its 20th year, FESTA ITALIANA Charlotte has become a cherished tradition in the Charlotte community, offering the opportunity to experience the very best of Italian Culture and Cuisine while contributing to a meaningful cause.

Event: FESTA ITALIANA Charlotte 2025
Website: www.festaitalianacharlotte.org
Date: Sunday, May 18, 2025 1-6pm
Location: Uptown Charlotte, Gateway
Village Promenade, 800-900 W. Trade St.

This event proudly supports the **Nevins Center of Charlotte**, a respected 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization celebrating its 66th anniversary. The Nevins Center provides education, job training, and opportunities for individuals with disabilities, helping them lead more fulfilling and independent lives.

Our Mission

FESTA ITALIANA Charlotte brings together two equally significant missions—cultural and humanitarian. By highlighting the richness of Italian heritage through food, drink, music, and art, the event creates a joyful, inclusive platform that advocates for individuals with special needs. All proceeds benefit the Nevins Center to further its impactful work within our community.

We Proudly Invite You to participate as a Provider of Italian Cuisine at FESTA ITALIANA Charlotte. Your 2025 contribution will not only delight attendees but also support deserving individuals through the Nevins Center.

By joining the event, your culinary expertise will be prominently highlighted as part of an exclusive selection deemed the **Best of Charlotte** by our committee. Additionally, your participation will be promoted actively and widely to recognize your generosity, delicious cuisine, and support.

This initiative is powered entirely by volunteers, ensuring that proceeds directly assist those in need. Together, we can make a meaningful difference while celebrating the vibrant culture of Italy.

We hope you will join us in creating a memorable event celebrating culture, community, and compassion. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely e Grazie Mille,

Vincent

Vincent E. Voci, MD - Founder and Chairman, Board of Directors FESTA ITALIANA Charlotte | St. Anthony Foundation of Charlotte

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20th Annual FESTA ITALIANA Charlotte 2025

Charlotte's Gourmet Italian Food and Wine Festival Sunday, May 18, 2025 1:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Gateway Village Promenade | 800-900 W. Trade St., Uptown Charlotte | Outdoors but covered

FESTA PROVIDER OVERVIEW INFORMATION

FESTA ITALIANA Charlotte is celebrating its 20th Annual Festival, and we'd be honored to have your culinary talents featured at this premier cultural and humanitarian event. This is your opportunity to showcase your food and or beverage to 600+ enthusiastic guests while supporting a profound cause — the **Nevins Center**, a nonprofit devoted to helping people with disabilities achieve their full potential.

Festival Highlights

- Culinary Excellence: Featuring 12 restaurants and 15 chefs, including our FESTA Pasta Stations, Three 3-Foot FESTA Signature Risottos, and Wood-Fired Pizza baked on-site.
- Showcase Your Dish and Products: Present and serve your best appetizer or small plate, products or dessert starting at 1 PM and continuing through 5 PM, with your and or other desserts beginning service at 3 PM until the festival ends.
- Live Entertainment: Continuous live Italian musical performances create a lively ambiance, and a Kid Zone to entertain children.
- Silent Virtual Auction: We encourage your participation by donating an auction item, such as a gift certificate or product, to promote your business.
- Audience Engagement: With a streamlined service approach—guests make a \$125 donation (includes unlimited food and beverages) upon admission—there's no hassle of handling money, tickets, or tokens at the event. The Italian Liquore Tastings and Flights are the only items not included in admission.

What We Provide

We want to make your participation seamless and successful. Each food provider will receive the following:

- A 10x10 space to showcase and serve your food.
- Two 6-ft rectangular tables (one wide one for presentation and serving, one narrow for prep), each with nice black tablecloths.
- Chairs for your team.
- Shared hotel tray warming cabinet and a Zippy Ice trailer with ice
- 110V electricity (please note, 220V is not available) See next page:

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What You Provide

To make this event spectacular, we ask you to bring the following essentials when preparing your dish(s):

- A delicious appetizer or small plate to share.
- Necessary service ware and utensils for guests.
- Staff to serve your food.
- Signage and décor to display your brand. We encourage creative, eye-catching setups to enhance your presentation.

Your Participation Matters

FESTA ITALIANA is an amazing opportunity to connect with hundreds of passionate Italian food and wine enthusiasts while supporting a meaningful cause. Over the past 19 years, Festa has raised more than \$400,000 to benefit the Nevins Center, a 65-year-old nonprofit serving individuals with disabilities. Together, we hope to surpass this milestone while continuing to grow the region's appreciation for Italian cuisine and culture.

Media Promotion

Your participation will gain exposure through widespread event coverage. FESTA ITALIANA Charlotte is regularly featured on WBTV, WCNC, and popular Spring Event Calendars, making this an exceptional opportunity to showcase your culinary expertise.

Contact Information

If you have questions or are ready to join us, please reach out to any of our team members below.

- Event Founder & Organizer: Vincent E. Voci, MD
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We can't wait to work with you to make this year's FESTA ITALIANA Charlotte a memorable and impactful event. Visit us online at www.festaitalianacharlotte.org for additional information.

Grazie Mille for your support and interest in celebrating Italian culture with us!

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Who is the Nevins Center of Charlotte

Celebrating 66 Years of Empowering Individuals with Disabilities

Since 1959, the Nevins Center of Charlotte has been dedicated to creating opportunities for individuals with disabilities so they can lead productive, fulfilling, and happy lives. As a proud 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, we focus on **education**, **job training**, and **community integration** to help empower those we serve.

Your support allows us to continue providing these vital services and ensures that individuals with special needs can build independence, gain new skills, and experience the pride of contributing meaningfully to our community.

How You Can Help

Make a Donation

Your contribution directly impacts the individuals we serve, helping to fund education programs, job training initiatives, and social activities that enhance their quality of life. Together, we can create a brighter future for those in our community with special needs.

Become a Volunteer

Share your time, talents, and energy to make a difference. Volunteers are essential to the success of our programs and events. Join us in creating lasting, positive change.

Spread the Word

Help us raise awareness about the work we do. Share our mission with your friends, family, and colleagues to inspire others to get involved.

Together, We Can Make a Difference

Join us in celebrating the Nevins Center's 66 years of service and help us continue to make meaningful, life-changing impacts for individuals with disabilities in Charlotte.

Contact Us

For more information or to get involved, please reach out to us today!

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20th Annual FESTA ITALIANA Charlotte 2025 Provider Registration Form

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Sunday, May 18, 2025 1:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Gateway Village Promenade | 800-900 W. Trade St., Uptown Charlotte

NAME OF CHEF AND SOUS CHEF:
COMPANY/BUSINESS:
CONTACT PERSON:
PHONE:
EMAIL:
ADDRESS:
CITY, STATE, ZIP:
DESCRIPTION OF BUSINESS, PRODUCT, OR SERVICE:
WILL YOU SELL PRODUCTS ON SITE? Y / N ADDITIONAL NEEDS FOR DISPLAY:
WHAT WILL YOU SERVE:

Thank you for your generosity and support of FESTA ITALIANA Charlotte 2025. Together, we can celebrate Italian culture while making a meaningful impact on the lives of those with special needs.

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