

News, Apps, Deals, and Gear from New England and Beyond

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YOGA ON NANTUCKET

Pack loose cotton clothes and head to the first annual Nantucket Yoga Festival. Bringing together world-class yoga instructors, wellness specialists, and healthy-living guides, the festival features 24 workshops led by 15 teachers at Bartlett's Ocean View Farm. In addition to classes, a vendor village will be open to the public, with artisans, craftsmen, jewelry makers, clothing designers, and more. Lodging is not included, but the farm is about 3 miles from downtown, close to hotels, inns, and B&Bs. July 26-28, \$150-\$375. 508-901-1355, www.nantucketyogafestival.com

YIDDISH MUSIC IN AMHERST

Yidstock, the festival of new Yiddish music, takes place July 11-15 at the Yiddish Book Center in Amherst. The event features live klezmer concerts, a Klezmer Brunch, and a series of films including "In the Fiddler's House" in which virtuoso violinist Itzhak Perlman takes viewers on a tour of klezmer music from New York to Krakow. Single events \$5-\$25, festival pass \$75/member, \$100/general admission. 413-256-4900, yiddishbookcenter.org/yidstock

CONNECTICUT LIGHTHOUSE TOURS

Back by popular demand: The New London Custom House Maritime Museum reprises lighthouse tours this summer: July 14-15, Aug. 4-5, and Sept. 1-2. "Sentinels on the Sound" boat excursions depart from the Custom House Pier to the New London Harbor

Light, the oldest and tallest lighthouse on Long Island Sound, and the New London Ledge Lighthouse, a unique, early-20th-century lighthouse that looks like a stately floating home. The museum will host lighthouse-related activities each weekend, including concerts. Adults \$35, children ages 6-12 \$20; under 6 not admitted. 860-447-2501, www.nlmartimesociety.org

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SHUTTLE ON A NY FLIGHT DECK

You won't need a space suit to visit the space shuttle Enterprise in New York. The original NASA orbiter that paved the way for the successful US shuttle program opens to the public on July 19 at its new home at the Intrepid Sea, Air and Space Museum. A temporary, climate-controlled Space Pavilion located on Intrepid's Flight Deck will be home to the shuttle until a permanent exhibit facility is built. While you are there, look over the 900-foot-long aircraft carrier's extensive collection of over 27 aircraft including the A-12 Blackbird, a spy plane from the Cold War era. Pier 86 (46th Street and 12th Avenue), \$14-\$28. 877-957-7447, www.intrepidmuseum.org



DENVER AIRPORT EXHIBIT

This summer, the Denver Art Museum debuts a travel-centric exhibition, "Now Boarding: Fentress Airports + the Architecture of Flight." The show examines the work of Denver-based Fentress Architects, who over the past 30 years have led the way in evolving airports from people-processing facilities to dynamic public spaces. The exhibition takes visitors on a multimedia tour through the history of air travel, from when grassy strips were called "flying fields" to today's modern airports that feature snazzy terminals with high-end amenities. July 15-Oct. 7, \$3-\$10. 720-865-5000, www.denverartmuseum.org/exhibitions/now-boarding



EVERYWHERE

YAHOO! TIMETRAVELER

Yahoo! has launched a new free iPhone app for when you have a few hours to spend in a new city, or want to learn more about your favorite destination. Yahoo! TimeTraveler creates a trip plan, directions, and map to guide your way through museums, cafes, restaurants, and even off-the-beaten-path spots. It's easy to drill down for more information, such as ratings and reviews on restaurants and hotels, simply by clicking over to Yahoo! Travel from within the app. It works for 29 cities around the world, including Amsterdam, Chicago, Dubai, London, Paris, and Rome. For international destinations, it's easy to save the travel itineraries before you depart (and access later) to avoid international data charges. itunes.apple.com/us/app/yahoo!-timetraveler/id527349170?ls=1&mt=8



ONE-STOP FITNESS

Attention fitness fanatics: GoRecess has launched a new a la carte fitness class booking site that takes the work out of finding the perfect workout. With access to over 100,000 classes across the country, you can find, review, and book a spot in many different types of classes such as yoga, pilates, barre, CrossFit, Zumba, TRX, indoor cycling, bootcamp, martial arts, pre- and post-natal, dance, karate, kickboxing, and more. Users can easily search and filter their choices based on workout type, schedule, location, price, and rating. Create and read fitness-focused reviews, and store account information for seamless booking — all in one place — for free. www.gorecess.com

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Where better to sample the best new Tex-Mex?

SAN ANTONIO — This city will always be known as the hub of Tex-Mex. Step into any number of restaurants and order the combo plate and a dish of extra cheesy enchiladas, tacos, and chile con queso will soon appear, with a side of refried beans. But a few innovative chefs in town are creating cuisine that is far more authentic Mexican. Other chefs will soon join them, now that the Culinary Institute of America has opened a campus in San Antonio focusing on Latin American cuisine.

La Gloria CIA-trained chef Johnny Hernandez spent 10 years crossing the Mexican countryside trying every dish and type of tequila he could get his hands on. The result is La Gloria (100 East Grayson St., 210-267-9040, www.lagloriaicehouse.com, dishes from \$3), his casual riverside restaurant dedicated to Mexican street food.

Sit indoors overlooking the open kitchen or al fresco under the stars, sipping a long list of tequilas between bites of tacos al pastor, chock-full of marinated pork, pineapple, and cilantro. Camarones aqua chile is a shrimp ceviche with lime juice, serrano peppers, cucumber, red onions, and ripe avocado. Arachera en salsa de tomatillo, skirt steak topped with a tomatillo sauce, is served in a stone molcajete, paired with warm tortillas to roll up the meat.

Hernandez's latest venture, Fruteria La Gloria, is set to open in mid-July in the burgeoning SoFlo district downtown. At lunch, try torta sandwiches and creative tostadas, while in the evening, the eatery will transform into a cocktail lounge featuring fresh fruit-infused tequila drinks.

Mariscos El Bucanero Unquestionably the finest Mexican seafood restaurant I have been to outside of Campeche, Mexico, Mariscos El Bucanero (16505 Blanco Road, 210-408-9297, meals from \$4.99) opened a second restaurant in April in the northeast part of



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Chef Johnny Hernandez at La Gloria, on the banks of the San Antonio River.

town. Triple in size, you will still have to wait in line to snag one of the coveted tables.

One bite of oysters "preparados," fresh oysters topped with slivers of avocado, tomato, and cilantro, and you will understand the hype. Believe it when they say the shrimp ceviche is in "fire water." Bucanero shrimp is tender pieces of shrimp, wrapped in crisp bacon. Even the prosaic fish taco is a treat here, lightly fried and placed in homemade corn tortillas.

Rosario's If you still have a craving for Tex-Mex, try the puffy taco, a San Antonio original, at Rosario's (910 South Alamo St., 210-223-1806, www.rosario.com, lunch starts at \$4.25). The popular lunch destination deep fries a large tortilla, then tops it with a heaping pile of chicken, cheese, tomatoes, and lettuce. Coupled with rice and beans, you will want to walk to your next destination, not drive.

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