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News Release



Culinary Capers Beijing President and Executive Chef Billy Kawaja with Debra Lykkemark, CEO of Culinary Capers



Culinary Capers' hand-pulled noodles

Culinary Capers' Beijing Operation Moves into Great New Space

Vancouver, BC (November 24, 2010) – Culinary Capers Beijing, an offshoot of Culinary Capers Catering in Vancouver, has moved into an exciting new location in the Ullens Center for Contemporary Art (UCCA), the largest gallery in the 798 Art District. The 798 Art District is the largest art district in Beijing and is comprised of a collection of modern Chinese art galleries, event spaces and cultural shops in refurbished Bauhaus-inspired factory buildings.

In addition to being the exclusive caterer for the UCCA galleries, Culinary Capers Beijing has also opened **SWITCH!**, which offers the same fresh modern cuisine that has allowed Culinary Capers to garner an international reputation, only in a restaurant setting. The open restaurant kitchen is overseen by President and Executive Chef Billy Kawaja and features signature dishes such as our **SWITCH!** salad, duck confit dip; crispy mac 'n cheese croquettes; and warm cinnamon donuts with mascarpone and fruit compote, all served with a playful twist.

In addition, **SWITCH!** serves Chef Billy K's signature brunch menus on the weekend and can also be rented as an event space. Event clients have included American Airlines, Microsoft, and private receptions. The catering operation of Culinary Capers Beijing has created events for Adidas, Merrill Lynch, Walmart, clients of Jack Morton Worldwide and the embassies of Australia, the United States, Canada, the Dutch Republic, Mexico, and a host of private clients.

Debra Lykkemark, the CEO of Culinary Capers, had the following observations, "We are very excited about the opportunity for growth in the Beijing market and we see the location of our catering and restaurant at UCCA as a key factor in driving both the growth of our business in China and the strength of our international brand."

About Culinary Capers Beijing

Opened in 2008, Culinary Capers Beijing is a sister company of Culinary Capers Catering, Vancouver's market leader in off-premise catering. President Billy Kawaja and CEO Debra Lykkemark head a group of top professionals dedicated to producing cutting edge cuisine, innovative presentation, contemporary design and courteous service. The award-winning kitchen team was the official caterer for the BC Canada Pavilion in Beijing during the 2008 Summer Games.

In 2010, Culinary Capers Beijing was the recipient of two international awards for a spectacular four-course luncheon for 120 guests on the Great Wall of China, Best Off-Premise Catered Event at The Special Event 2010 Gala Awards and Signature Caterer for Best Event at the International Caterers Associations' CATIE Awards.

For more information about **SWITCH!** go to:

<http://www.ucca.org.cn/portal/page/view.798?id=123&lang=en&menuId=42>

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