

THE DINING ROOM PROJECT (A POTLUCK SMÖRGÅSBORD)

March 18–May 7, 2011 at Paragraph Gallery

23 E. 12th Street, Kansas City, MO 64105

Gallery hours: 12–5pm Wed, Fri, & Sat; 11am–6pm Thurs

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THE DINING ROOM PROJECT (ART, FOOD & THE RITUAL OF EATING)

March 20–May 15, 2011 at Epsten Gallery

5500 W. 123rd Street, Overland Park, KS 66209

Gallery hours: 11am–4pm Tues–Fri; 1–4pm Sat–Sun

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FRIDAY, MARCH 18, 6 – 9PM PARAGRAPH GALLERY EVENT

Opening Reception at Paragraph Gallery

Featuring:

6PM: Chef Carmen Cabia & Ryan Fletcher: Comfort Food

A sampling of traditional Spanish Tapas presented on *Tapas Micros* custom porcelainware.

8PM: Megan Mantia & Christopher Norman Good: The Super-Taster Secret Society

An induction ceremony to a special club for those with particularly sensitive palettes.

8:30PM: Corrina West: The Chocolate Fairy

A performative presentation about—and sampling of—the virtues of dark chocolate.

SUNDAY, MARCH 20, 2 – 4PM EPSTEN GALLERY EVENT

Opening Reception at Epsten Gallery

Featuring:

2PM: Andrew William Erdrich: Andy Cakes

Artist Andrew Erdrich makes pancakes and latkes in his own likeness during this edible performance demonstration.

3:30PM: Johnny Naugahyde: Johnny Carves a Turkey

A turkey-carving demonstration and tasting, complete with NPR's Susan Stamberg's favorite cranberry sauce.

WEDNESDAY MARCH 23 — SATURDAY, MARCH 26

PARAGRAPH GALLERY EVENT

EACH DAY, DURING GALLERY HOURS: *Alison Heryer: Calorie Count*

A four-day performance that contemplates the 21st century American meal, where it comes from, and how it reaches our table.

SUNDAY, MARCH 27 OFF SITE & EPSTEN GALLERY EVENT

10AM – 2PM: *Friends of KCJMCA Art On-Site Judaica Crawl*

Self-driven tour of three private collections of Judaica and contemporary art at the homes of Drs. Solomon & Mickey Batnitzky, Michael Klein, and Dr. Jonathan and Ellen Chilton. Tour Includes brunch at Chilton home and tour of *The Dining Room Project* at the Epsten Gallery with KCJMCA Curator Marcus Cain.

Limit: 30 for Friends of KCJMCA members only: \$50 per person. Rsvp to mcain@kcjmca.org or call 913.266.8413.

SUNDAY, MARCH 27 — FRIDAY, APRIL 1

PARAGRAPH GALLERY EVENT

EACH DAY, DURING GALLERY HOURS: *Ritchie Kaye: The Groaning Board*

A project in which used clothing for men, women and children, and personal accessories will be solicited, collected, accumulated on the Dining Room table, then donated to the Salvation Army. Note: donations of items are encouraged – contact Ritchie@ritchiekaye.com to coordinate delivery or pickup; or drop off to the gallery Wednesday March 30 or Thursday March 31, 11-6pm.

SATURDAY, APRIL 2 PARAGRAPH GALLERY EVENT

2PM: *Johnny Naugahyde: Johnny Carves a Turkey*

A turkey-carving demonstration and tasting, complete with NPR's Susan Stamberg's favorite cranberry sauce.

3PM: *Corrina West: The Chocolate Fairy*

Another performative delivery of chocolate and how it can improve our lives and health.

3:30PM: *MEAT and OTHER SAVORIES*

An online video program curated by Kate Hackman.

SUNDAY, APRIL 3 EPSTEN GALLERY EVENT

1 – 3PM: *KCJMCA's ARTicipation Children's Workshops* featuring:

Roni Roth Beshears: *Color My Pyramid – Eating Right with Colorful Foods*
Carol Zastoupil: *Play-doh Carving*

Corrina West: *The Chocolate Fairy*

Children will learn about the nutritional benefits of colorful foods, the virtues of dark chocolate, how to make and sculpt with their own Play-doh. **Limit 15; rsvp strongly recommended; children ages 8-12.** Rsvp to mcain@kcjmca.org or call 913.266.8413.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6 PARAGRAPH GALLERY EVENT

6 – 7:15PM: *Fast Talk: Short Presentation from The Dining Room Project Artists*

A consecutive series of brief artist talks with exhibiting artists Meredith Host, Stephanie Kantor, Ryan Fletcher, and Julie Malen.

SATURDAY, APRIL 9 PARAGRAPH GALLERY EVENT

2PM: *Kerstin Kolbe: Creative Cookie Decorating*

The former partner of P.S. Sweets hosts a cookie decorating workshop. Cookies and decorating materials provided; open to all while supplies last.

Julie Malen: Bounty

A temporary centerpiece installation by sculptor Julie Malen.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13 EPSTEN GALLERY EVENT

5 – 6:15PM: *Fast Talk: Short Presentation from The Dining Room Project Artists*

A consecutive series of brief artist talks with exhibiting artists Tara Dawley, Paul Donnelly, Dame Osaurus, Rain Harris, and Irma Starr (with doughnut breaks, see below).

5 – 6:30PM: *Jennifer Boe & M. Andy Maugh: The Twin Peaks Doughnut Experience*

An edible installation of Kansas City's famous LaMar's donuts complete with regular and decaf coffee inspired by David Lynch's classic characters, Secretary Lucy Moran and Agent Dale Cooper.

FRIDAY, APRIL 15 PARAGRAPH GALLERY EVENT

6 – 9PM: *Andrew William Erdrich: Red Food, Yellow Food, Blue Food*

An artistic, edible serving of organic mystery mash exploring the essential, aesthetic, and manufactured facets of contemporary food.

Aaron Storck: The Wizard's Salad

In the persona of his alter ego, the Wizard, artist Aaron Storck presents a new centerpiece, delivers a poem (7pm), and serves a salad.

SATURDAY, APRIL 16 OFF SITE EVENT

6 – 8PM: Alberto Aguilar: A Personal Dinner Invitation

A family-style meal preparation and service/documentation at a private Kansas City home.

This event is by invitation of the artist only. For more information, email mcaïn@kcjmca.org or call 913.266.8413.

SUNDAY, APRIL 17 EPSTEN GALLERY EVENT / VILLAGE SHALOM SOCIAL HALL

1 – 2PM: Alberto Aguilar: A Personal Dinner Invitation

Come and listen to Alberto Aguilar share his project *A Personal Dinner Invitation* and his recent dining experience in Kansas City.

SUNDAY, APRIL 17 PARAGRAPH GALLERY EVENT

5PM: BREAD!

Over a hearty, healthy Sunday supper, presenters pitch proposals for creative projects, following which diners select one to receive a micro-grant of the cost-of-admission funds. **Limit: 40; \$10 admission; reservations strongly encouraged; email breadkc@gmail.com to RSVP.** For more visit <http://breadkc.wordpress.com>.

SATURDAY, APRIL 23 PARAGRAPH GALLERY EVENT

12 – 5PM: Rebecca Blocksome: AB OVO (Part 1)

An egg-dyeing workshop using a traditional vegetable dye method learned by the artist in Bosnia and Herzegovina. Supplies provided; drop-ins welcome.

THURSDAY, APRIL 28 EPSTEN GALLERY EVENT / VILLAGE SHALOM SOCIAL HALL

5:30 – 7:30PM: Tekia Thompson: Breaking Bread: A Soul Food Communion

A family-style meal preparation/documentation and generous buffet meal experience based on generations of family recipes, featuring works of art by John Sutton and Beth Nybeck. **Service provided until food is gone; reservations are strongly recommended. Rsvp to mcaïn@kcjmca.org or call 913.266.8413.**

FRIDAY, APRIL 29 PARAGRAPH GALLERY EVENT

7 & 8:30PM: Reach...a movement collective presents *The Dinner Party*

A modern dance performance set around and inspired by the dining room table. Each performance lasts approximately 30 minutes.

SATURDAY, APRIL 30 OFF SITE EVENT

5:30PM: *Peas on Earth: Dining in Perspective*

Collapsing the space between field and plate, Peas on Earth hosts a meal and presentation in their community garden at 1827 Summit on Kansas City's Westside.

Limit 15; \$10 per person. Rsvp required. Rsvp to kate@charlottestreet.org.

SUNDAY, MAY 1 OFF SITE EVENT

2 – 4PM: *Farm Tour at Green Dirt Farm*

This bucolic tour includes a pasture walk, tour of the milking parlor and cheese kitchen, and a sampling of the farm's award winning sheep's milk cheese (weather permitting).

Limit: 25; \$8 per person; rsvp required. Outdoors – wear sensible clothes and shoes. Rsvp to mcaïn@kcjmca.org or call 913.266.8413.

THURSDAY, MAY 5 EPSTEN GALLERY EVENT

2 – 3PM: *Kugel Demonstration*

Ever wanted to know how to make kugel? Come, watch, learn, and eat as Village Shalom chefs present a kugel-making, kugel-tasting demonstration experience. **Seating limited; rsvp recommended.** Rsvp to mcaïn@kcjmca.org or call 913.266.8413.

THURSDAY, MAY 5 PARAGRAPH GALLERY EVENT / OFF SITE

6 – 8PM: *Rebecca Blocksome: AB OVO (Part 2)*

An excursion to Elmwood Cemetery for a ritual "egg laying" ceremony and picnic inspired by the Ukrainian *radonista* ritual. Participants will meet at Paragraph gallery at 5:45pm and carpool to Elmwood Cemetery, 4900 Truman Road. **Rsvp's encouraged to kate@charlottestreet.org.**

SATURDAY, MAY 7 EPSTEN GALLERY EVENT

5 & 6PM: *Reach...a movement collective presents The Dinner Party*

A modern dance performance set around and inspired by the dining room table. Each performance lasts approximately 30 minutes. **Seating limited; rsvp recommended.** Rsvp to mcaïn@kcjmca.org or call 913.266.8413.

SATURDAY, MAY 14 EPSTEN GALLERY EVENT

1 – 4PM: *B.J. Vogt: You're Invited (1980-2011)*

Join artist B.J. Vogt as he reenacts a consecutive series of his own birthdays complete with candles, song, decorations, costumes, and cake, after cake, after cake... Stay and watch the artist create a cake sculpture at the end of this endurance performance.

1PM: Kerstin Kolbe: Creative Cookie Decorating

The former partner of P.S. Sweets hosts a cookie-decorating workshop. Cookies and decorating materials provided; open to all while supplies last.

SUNDAY, MAY 15 EPSTEN GALLERY EVENT / VILLAGE SHALOM SOCIAL HALL

6 – 7:30PM: Margaret Shelby: Now Serving – Food as Munitions

A public presentation and performance of written accounts, and real-time interviews with military personnel and scholars in the field of military studies and wartime meal preparation. Includes a military rations dining experience and participation by staff from Kansas City's WWI Museum.

Open to the public; **rsvp recommended. Rsvp to mcain@kcjmca.org or call 913.266.8413.**

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