

Media Alert:

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MEDIA CONTACT:Bethany Nielson, 425.453.3112
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- Downtown Restaurant Listing Featured in Summer Issue of *Bellevue Downtown*-

Today the Bellevue Downtown Association introduced the first-ever comprehensive downtown Bellevue restaurant guide as a part of the summer issue of *Bellevue Downtown*. The additional four-page guide offers complete information for nearly 120 restaurants in downtown Bellevue. Never before has a comprehensive restaurant guide been dedicated to the downtown Bellevue area alone.

Addresses and phone numbers are categorized in the guide by type of cuisine, while a key indicates prices, parking availability, reservations requirements and wheelchair accessibility. Information regarding availability of live music, late night dining and full bar capabilities is also included.

"The Bellevue Downtown Association has provided not only the downtown community, but the entire Eastside, with an invaluable resource that will help save time and showcase the variety of dining choices right here in our own backyard. The guide will also highlight downtown Bellevue's continuing evolution as the preferred dining destination on the Eastside," said Bellevue Downtown Association President Leslie Lloyd.

While *Bellevue Downtown* continues to feature information about events for the downtown community, the current issue also focuses on the blossoming downtown restaurant scene. Articles feature downtown happy hours and interviews with three notable local restaurant owners, including Steve Mooko of Flo Japanese Restaurant and Sake Bar, Joe Vilardi of Bis On Main, and Bill Khanna of Chutney's.

Bellevue Downtown is a quarterly publication of the Bellevue Downtown Association and features articles about people and places that are helping to shape the downtown Bellevue community. Information on events, and theatre and art exhibits in downtown Bellevue are also included.

Copies of the 2003 *Bellevue Downtown* Restaurant Guide can be picked up at various distribution points in the downtown area throughout the year. In addition, the complete restaurant guide is also available online at www.bellevuedowntown.com.

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Bellevue Downtown Association Mission

To lead the continuing evolution of downtown Bellevue as the economic and cultural heart of the Eastside.

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