



Brooklyn Daily Eagle

SONGS OF LOVE
The Medicine of Music™
888-909-SONG
www.songslove.org



You are not logged in. [Register now.](#)

August 26, 2009

- Archives
- Brooklyn Public Library's Brooklyn Daily Eagle Online (1841-1902)

- Archives
- Brooklyn Eagle (2003-present)

Sign In
ID is your email

For registration questions [click here](#)

- Categories
- Main page
 - RSS Channels
 - Atlantic Yards
 - Photo Galleries
 - Brooklyn Today
 - Brooklyn People
 - Brooklyn Cyclones
 - Courthouse News & Cases
 - Brooklyn SPACE
 - Features
 - Crime

Up & Coming



The 'Last Supper' To Be Held in Bushwick

by Phoebe Neidl (phoebe@brooklyneagle.net), published online 08-26-2009

Upcoming Fundraiser Benefits Art Festival That Raises \$\$ for Food Bank

By Phoebe Neidl
Brooklyn Daily Eagle

BROOKLYN — We are what we eat. This notion stands as the backbone to the upcoming Last Supper in Bushwick, a multi-media art festival with a gastronomic bent. In addition to film, art, music, design projects and performances, expect “edible installations” such as gingerbread housing projects and a life-size water-well made out of caramel.

Artists who have chosen food as their medium fit in perfectly with the festival's central, ongoing theme: consumption. Don't let the religious implications of the festival's name fool you. It is a metaphor, emphasizing the importance of gathering different ideas to the same table — a table that must reevaluate from where and how it produces its meals.

The festival founder and director Coralina Meyer has chosen “Means” as this year's theme. “I had to ask myself ‘What is pertinent? What is affecting people right now?’” she says.

Picture; Copy not for sale



Daily Cover



Weekly Cover



In Brooklyn

8/26/2009

Brooklyn Eagle, Bay Ridge Eagle Broo...

- [▶ Sports](#)
- [▶ Street Beat](#)
- [▶ Brooklyn Inc](#)
- [▶ Brooklyn KIDS](#)
- [▶ Editorial viewpoint](#)
- [▶ OUTBrooklyn](#)
- [▶ Brooklyn Woman](#)
- [▶ Art](#)
- [▶ Up & Coming](#)
- [▶ Hills & Gardens](#)
- [▶ Auction Advertiser](#)
- [▶ On Food](#)
- [▶ Health Care](#)
- [▶ Get A LifeStyle](#)
- [▶ On This Day in History](#)
- [▶ Obituaries](#)
- [▶ Community Boards](#)
- [▶ Stars and stripes](#)
- [▶ Community News](#)
- [▶ Local Search](#)

Contact Us

If you'd like to contact us [click here](#)

For registration questions [click here](#)

Read about Us [HERE](#)

Business:

salon

Location:

brooklyn,ny

- [▶ Appliance Repair](#)
- [▶ Car Dealers](#)
- [▶ Car Repair](#)
- [▶ Carpet Cleaners](#)
- [▶ Child Care](#)
- [▶ Chiropractors](#)
- [▶ Computer Repair](#)
- [▶ Contractors](#)
- [▶ Dentists](#)
- [▶ Dry Cleaners](#)
- [▶ Electric Contractors](#)
- [▶ Golf](#)
- [▶ Hotels](#)

“The means issue hit home because of the economic crisis. Alternative ways of living have struck a cord with people. People are reconsidering how they consume. It’s what people are talking about at dinner.”

... <<first < previous next >> last>>

It was talk around the dinner table that inspired Meyer to found the festival in 2005. “When I was in college, I would get my artist friends together for dinner — completely disparate people who didn’t know each other — and we would discuss what we were working on.” She carried on the tradition after she graduated, holding potluck dinners and inviting people from every walk of life, from filmmakers to lawyers, to talk about local and global issues.

“Intellectual discussion around a meal is much different than in an art gallery... It’s more humble,” she says. “It’s reminiscent of home and comfort and allows for more openness. It’s not overly intellectual even though you’re talking about complex things.”

Meyer decided to organize a bigger event in which people could bring their work and have it critiqued, and so was born Last Supper in 2005. “That first year it was 60 or so of my friends at a backyard barbecue,” she recalls. But the turnout has practically doubled each year, with close to 800 people attending the 2008 Last Supper.

This year’s event, to be held on Sept. 26, will be held at 3rd Ward in Bushwick, with its 20,000 square feet of space. “We hope this year to keep growing the numbers.” With this annual expansion, the festival brings more and more people to the table as volunteers. “It’s really grass-roots and collaborative. We don’t really have sponsorships. It’s more about getting people interested in volunteerism,” says Meyer.

Herself an artist and architect, Meyer will be contributing an installation piece called “Means Sequence: Hand Cycle” in which interactive ceramic vessels will be suspended from wire substrate and hung from the ceiling. “The cycles of growing, eating, composting, planting and harvesting will be highlighted in this spatial garden, complete with chandelier-like vessels with light and water, and vessels containing prepared food from Guest Chef Simon Lange of Apt138 and plants from various Brooklyn gardens and donated farmers’ market produce,” she explains.

Chef Lange will also be creating impromptu meals using donations from farmers’ markets and people’s backyard gardens. “When you walk in [to Last Supper] there is essentially a bevy of multi-sensory experiences,” says Meyer, who describes it as an “intersection between an exhibition, the forum and the disco.”

Profits Donated to Food Bank

Last Supper also doubles as a non-profit benefit for the Food Bank of New York City. All profits are donated to the food bank, and discounted ticket prices are offered to those who bring at least three canned goods to donate.

To get a taste of this unique event, this Saturday, Aug. 29, a fundraiser will be held for Last Supper at Everard Findlay 26x3 at 26 Broadway in Williamsburg. Drawing inspiration from past periods of economic hardship, the Domestic Labor Dinner + Dance Hoedown will offer “the fruits and labors of local artists, farmers, craftspeople, musicians, DJs, filmmakers and writers.”

A \$45 ticket will buy a four-course, organic meal prepared by Lila Dobbs of Brooklyn Sour and co-host of CinemaKitchen. Luscious libations by guest mixologists with home-made rhubarb-honey infused vodka and Brooklyn Rooftop Farm harvest drinks will be served, and old WPA films about rationing, victory gardens, domesticity and labor will be screened throughout the dinner.

But \$10 tickets are available if you’re only in it for the “hoedown,” which will include music from Ian Beck, Dorie Colangelo, and DJ Selector Honeyknuckles, along with multi-media sound and video projection performances by Ryan



Bay Ridge Eagle



8/26/2009

- ▶ Landscapers
- ▶ Lawn Maintenance
- ▶ Lawyers
- ▶ Limousines
- ▶ Locksmiths
- ▶ Optometrists
- ▶ Pest Control
- ▶ Physician & Surgeons
- ▶ Plumbers
- ▶ Restaurants
- ▶ Salons
- ▶ Full Directory

Brooklyn Eagle, Bay Ridge Eagle Broo...

Brennan; artwork from local artists and discussions with NYC backyard visionaries and Last Supper alumni about consumption, means, labor and domesticity.

Domestic Labor Dinner + Dance Hoedown will be on Saturday, August 29 from 6. to midnight at 26x3 at 26 Broadway in Williamsburg. Tickets are available at www.brownpapertickets.com.

The Last Supper will be held at 3rd Ward in Bushwick, 195 Morgan Ave., on Saturday, Sept. 26 from 6 p.m. to 2 a.m. You can find out more about Last Supper at www.lambastic.com.

* * *

Questions? Comments? [Sound off to the Editor](#)

© **Brooklyn Daily Eagle 2009** All materials posted on BrooklynEagle.com are protected by United States copyright law. Just a reminder, though -- It's not considered polite to paste **the entire story** on your blog. Most blogs post a summary or the first paragraph,(40 words) then post a link to the rest of the story. That helps increase click-throughs for everyone, and minimizes copyright issues. So please keep posting, but not the entire article. arturc at att.net