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FRIDAYS 10pm til
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"There's No Place Like Home"

Sat., Jan. 21st 10:30pm

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Tuesdays: Let's Have Fun!
 \$2.50 Well Drinks & FREE Krystal Burgers
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☆ Friday, Jan. 27th 8pm til IT'S TIME TO PARTY! ☆

January Birthday Party

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- ☆ **Tuesdays: Pot Luck & A Movie \$2.50 Margaritas & \$1 16oz Draft**
- ☆ **Wednesdays: 9p-12m Hump Day Karaoke with Rikki Gee & DJ P**
\$1.50 Schnaps Shots
- ☆ **Thursdays: \$4 Long Island Ice Tea & Jager Shots**
- ☆ **Fridays: \$2.75 Absolut & Jim Beam**
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Vote for New Orleans at <http://www.southernliving.com/travel/souths-tastiest-towns-00417000076768/>.

Here's why New Orleans earned its ranking as one of the 10 Tastiest Towns in the South:

There are several (hot sauce-soaked) reasons why New Orleans is one of the most important and seductive food cities in the country. Consider, among other things, its iced Abita and oyster meccas (Acme, Felix's, Casamento's, and Bourbon House, for example), time-honored landmarks that should be on anyone's bucket list (Friday lunch at Galatoire's, brandy milk brunch at Commander's Palace), life-changing muffulettas and po'boys, a posse of power chefs like Donald Link, John Besh, and John Harris, and dangerously delicious cocktails (from historic sazerac bars like Napoleon House to new spots like Bouligny Tavern) make it an essential, irresistible food destination.

Tea for Two Exhibition opens Feb. 2 at Longue Vue House & Gardens

See the progression of tea services over the span of time and place at Longue Vue's *Tea for Two* exhibit opening Feb. 2. Tea is the most widely consumed beverage in the world with more than 3,000 varieties grown today. Tea is consumed on every continent and each culture over time has put its stamp on the vessels used to serve and drink it. Visitors to the exhibit will see this progression on display, with pieces from local collectors and the Longue Vue collection. The opening reception for Longue Vue members and guests is Thursday, Feb. 2 from 6 to 8pm in the Gallery. The Tea for Two exhibit will be open to the public Friday, Feb. 3 through Sunday, May 13 during museum hours.

"LVHG is pleased to present this exciting exhibit exploring the art of tea around the world," says Executive Director Joe Baker. "In addition to the variety of tea sets and utensils associated with the ritual of tea making, the exhibit will feature outstanding ceramic teapots from Newcomb Pottery, Peter Anderson of Shearwater Pottery, and George Ohr."

Tea is indigenous to the Asian continent, with almost every culture having a ceremony. The proper service was important and much attention was paid to matching the tea to an aesthetically appealing vessel. As Western trade with Asia increased 600 years ago, the British expanded the importance of drinking tea around the world, even introducing it to countries in West Africa that previously had no tradition. Tea in Asian cultures has historically been an object of connoisseurship and in Western traditions, tea preparation and drinking is a social and cultural staple.

Longue Vue's collection includes 18th through 20th century silver and ceramic tea services, coffee sets, and chocolate cups. Mrs. Stern's monogrammed set will be on display, as well as a tea set from Newcomb Pottery, an outstanding children's set by Peter Anderson of Shearwater Pottery, Chinese export-ware (ceramics made in Asia to appeal to a Western audience), and unusual pieces such as a c. 1830-40 French tea warmer known as a Veilleuse. In a nod to the lives of Edgar and Edith Stern, visitors will see items special to their romance and learn that the name "Longue Vue" was chosen because Edgar proposed to Edith at a Hudson River tea house called Longue Vue.

On Friday, Feb. 3, at 3pm, a Tea, Talk and Tour with tea expert Marc Roberson will be held in the Playhouse at Longue Vue. After the talk, guests will enjoy an afternoon tea service in the Center Hall of the main house featuring tea, sandwiches and champagne. This is followed by a tour of the

Tea for Two exhibit. Mr. Roberson is the Tea Expert at the Ritz-Carlton New Orleans.

Registration is required for the Tea, Talk, and Tour. The cost is \$60 and covers the talk, tea service, champagne, and tour of the exhibit. Seating is very limited. For more information on the Tea, Talk, and Tour and to purchase tickets, contact Jen Gick at 504.293.4723 or jgick@longuevue.com. For more information on the *Tea for Two* exhibit and opening reception, contact Lenora Costa at 504.293.4712 or lcosta@longuevue.com.

Longue Vue House and Gardens, 7 Bamboo Road, New Orleans, is an eight-acre Country Place Era estate comprised of a Classical Revival-style mansion surrounded by 14 different gardens, including an interactive children's garden. The former home of philanthropists Edith and Edgar Stern, Longue Vue now serves as an educational and cultural resource. Longue Vue offers tours daily and holds events and exhibits that fulfill its mission "to preserve and use the historical and artistic legacy of Longue Vue and its creators to educate and inspire people to pursue beauty and civic responsibility in their lives." Longue Vue, a designated National Historic Landmark, is accredited by the American Association of Museums and included on the National Register of Historic Places. For more information call 504.488.5488 or visit us at www.longuevue.com.

In Exile due out Feb. 10

In Exile: The History and Lore Surrounding New Orleans Gay Culture and Its Oldest

Gay Bar is the first comprehensive treatment of the history of gay New Orleans. Drawn primarily on the recollections of dozens of gay men and women, Frank Perez and Jeffrey Palmquist weave a fascinating narrative of how gay New Orleans evolved throughout the twentieth century. Coming Feb. 10, it will be available in paperback, PDF, ePub, Kindle, LIT, HTML, and PRC.

In addition to showing the incredible and previously unrecognized contributions gay people have made to New Orleans culture, *In Exile* also illuminates the darkness in which ordi-

nary gay people lived secret double-lives for decades and chronicles the social forces which ultimately enabled gay New Orleanians to live openly and honestly.

Written with graceful insight and thoughtful perception, *In Exile* is not only a captivating history book, it is also a beautiful meditation on the intersection of place and identity.

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