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**Tri-State Area Foodies Sink Their Teeth into 2014 Holiday Season...
Food Guru Intoxikate Joins Entertainment Goliath Empire City Casino
to Create the Ultimate Holiday Kick Off Celebration**

Westchester, NY – It's hard to begrudge an early start to the holiday season when it kicks off with an event like this. Self-proclaimed foodies, and even the average glutton with a passion for great food and drink, will delight in this find - a holiday kick-off event being held this **Friday, November 14th** from **6:00pm to 10:00pm**. The event offers 4 hours of beer, wine and signature cocktails, two separate tasting sessions, dessert, dancing and bowling.

This is not your typical event of forks, corks and kegs. The first session is being held in Empire City Casino's **VIP Lounge** from 6:00pm – 8:30pm where the gates of food heaven will open and attendees will gift their taste buds with the culinary creations of **Executive Chef Guarav Navin**. The hearty menu will include prawn Caesar shooters, butternut squash bisque with truffle squash chutney, roasted tomato and asparagus arancini, herb gremolata crusted lamb chops, braised beef crisps, au gratin fennel and scallops in shell, spice and coffee rubbed pork tenderloin with Bailey's Irish Cream drizzle, Italian charcuterie meat antipasto, and so much more. The "Holiday Crush" made with Southern Comfort Cherry, will highlight as the signature cocktail.

The night only gets sweeter as the party moves to **Alley 810** for a second session from 8:30pm – 10:00pm where guests can bowl on the retro bowling lanes and dance to the beats of **DJ Prime** while enjoying sweet bites prepared by **Executive Chef Fabienne Eymard**, including a live action banana foster station, florentine biscuit with candied fruits, nuts and chocolate, crème brulee, strawberry shortcake, a pie extravaganza with pumpkin, pecan, chocolate raspberry, and lemon meringue, along with cupcakes, tartlets and more. The Pumpkin Beer Float with Homemade Pumpkin Cheesecake Ice Cream will serve as the signature cocktail.

While an event like this is often private, this one is open to the public and revelers can grab advance tickets for only \$50 at www.intoxikate.com/empirecity. Any remaining available tickets will be available at the door for \$65. And since many are expected to keep this party going well into the night, a discounted **Stay and Play Package** is available at **The Residence Inn Marriott** including roundtrip shuttle service to Empire City and morning breakfast for only \$139. Make reservations by calling 914-476-4600 and mention 'Intoxikate' to receive the event rate.

What You Get:

Tickets: Advance Ticket Price \$50 - At the Door (if not sold out) \$65

Bar: 4 hours of unlimited beer, wine and signature cocktails; Cash bar from 10pm – 1am

Food: 2 sessions with heavy hors d'oeuvres and desserts prepared by culinary master chefs

Entertainment: Dancing and Bowling with DJ Prime spinning

About IntoxiKate: IntoxiKate.com, recently voted Best Local Website by the Readers of Westchester Magazine, changes the way food is experienced in Westchester. It cultivates an environment where you can be in the know on the latest events, interact with chefs, and taste the latest culinary trends. It's about finding new restaurants. It's about falling in love with dishes. And it's all right here. It's ALL about living life deliciously.

About Empire City Casino at Yonkers Raceway: Empire City Casino, one of the largest entertainment and gaming destinations in the country, features 5,300 of the hottest slots, electronic craps, roulette, baccarat and sic bo; year-round harness racing & International simulcasting; live entertainment including the best party, tribute and Latin bands, comedy, karaoke & more. A plethora of dining options including 4 restaurants, a food court and Lil Cocina Grill will satisfy even the most discerning palate. A new \$50 million expansion added Dan Rooney's, a high-energy sports bar; Pinch American Grill, in collaboration with Ducasse Studio, not only whets the appetite but also features dozens of New York craft beers on tap; and Alley 810, a craft cocktail lounge rounds out the entertainment options with retro bowling lanes. Empire City Casino at Yonkers Raceway is located at 810 Yonkers Avenue (at Central Avenue) in Yonkers, New York, Westchester County (I-87 to Exit 2), open seven days a week from 9:00am to 4:00am. Connect with us on facebook.com/empirecity, follow us on twitter.com/EmpireCity_C, visit www.empirecitycasino.com or call 914.968.4200 for more information.