



To Our Advertisers,

In case you haven't noticed, big things are happening at CTbites.com. 2020 marked the 10 year anniversary for CTbites, the go-to spot for all things foodie in the state of Connecticut. We have seen exponential growth in our readership and targeted reach, but as we grow, our dedicated readers, strong community and industry relationships remain at the forefront of our mission. The open communication and relationships between our followers, restaurant owners, chefs, local vendors, farmers, artisans and the ever growing CTbites team, remain central to our role as leaders in the CT food scene.

What makes CTbites Connecticut's most targeted source for breaking food news? CTbites coverage and demographics now reach throughout the state, making us uniquely positioned at the forefront and center of the market as the ONLY CT digital publisher dedicated to restaurants and food news. CTbites.com provides advertisers with a unique editorial marketing platform on the web, as well as on our social media platforms, which expand our online community to offer our advertisers a large portfolio of opportunities in which to interact with the brand, while engaging key demographics.

Recent editorial updates have introduced some exciting new **opportunities** for advertisers including the hugely popular monthly guides, highlighting holiday and seasonal culinary resources, as well as our weekly Nibble column featuring a roundup of Connecticut's hottest food events.

We are also pleased to announce that CTbites has launched @HudVbites, and our MIAbites.com web site is in full swing.

What does this mean for our advertisers? CTbites is serving up a powerful demographic on a highly visual platform designed for maximum user engagement.

Our dedicated readership and our trusted brand are the face of Connecticut's food scene.

Life is too short for bad food. Cheers.

Stephanie Webster

## CTbites Readers

Our readers are educated, wealthy and enjoy spending their disposable income on dining and entertainment. Our readers are loyal with over 50% visiting on a weekly basis and 34% of them visit more than once a week. We average 60,000 uniques and 140,000 page views every month.

- 65% reside in Fairfield County.
- They have disposable income and choose to spend it on dining and entertainment.
- Most of our readers are married, have children, and busy lives, but they still take the time to treat themselves.
- 75% of our readers eat out every week.
- They entertain and cook at home but they are eager to travel for unique experiences or products.
- 65% female/35% male
- 70% married
- 45% have children living at home.
- 72% of our readers make > \$100,000 annually

## **Our Stats**

60,000 unique visitors per month

ww 140,000 average page views per month

11,000 Newsletter Subscribers

47,000+ Instagram Followers

17,000+ Facebook Followers & Post Reach of 40,000 per week

14,000 Twitter Followers

# Loyal Followers

- 50% visit ctbites.com weekly
- 40% visit ctbites.com daily
- 34% visit ctbites.com several times/week

- "Thanks to the Christmas Guide, we had so many orders for Christmas Eve Dinner that we had to stop taking them so the kitchen could produce the ones we had!"
  - Martina Cordero, Marketing Director for Villa Italia Ristorante & Bar
- "Hi CTbites, Thank you so much for your Instagram post. It was very significant, the views on my website skyrocketed. I can't thank you enough for the feature."
  - Local Hot Sauce Company
- "Stephanie came to an event, wrote us up, and interest spiked immediately. Her site seems to be really connected to people that care about food."
  - Patti Popp, Owner of Sport Hill Farm, Easton
- "I wanted to ask if you guys planned on running any articles pertaining to Restaurants offering St. Patrick's Day and Easter Menus. Our Thanksgiving feature was well received, so we would like to be featured in as many articles as possible! :)"
  - Vanessa Sena, Chief Operating Officer, Nala's Kitchen
- "I love your site. I never thought there was good food in CT. I use it for all of our local restaurant picks. We've never been disappointed."
  - Carin, Ridgefield
- "I look at hundreds of food sites a day and your's is the only one I read for local restaurant reviews and foodie talk. Your site is concise, bright, chatty without being too wordy. I check it every single day."
  - Corinne, Fairfield
- "Thank-you for creating this wonderful resource for people who love food! I have always found Fairfield County a difficult place to find a great meal. My default was to head to NYC. It is refreshing to have a resource to uncover culinary gems in our backyard. Thank-you! I look forward to every newsletter."
  - Lucy, Wilton

- "Hi, just wanted to reach out and say THANK YOU! The CT Bites mention got us great exposure and tons of phone calls. Really happy we participated."
  - Stacey Orecchio, Lifted Spirits Bar Concierge & Staffing
- "The CT Bites healthy eating guide was great exposure at a timely point of the year for our company. It attracted new eyes to the company as well as opening the door to collaborations with other companies on the list."
  - Bill Shufelt, Athletic Brewing
- "Coverage from CTBites.com had a huge impact on my business. Within 3 weeks of the review being published we had at least 50 first time diners who mentioned they were here because of the review."
  - Robert Troilo, Chef & Owner Nicholas Roberts
- "We have truly enjoyed all of your suggested dining recommendations, and many we will return to-- though we prefer to try new places based on your recommendations!

  Fairfield County appreciates your efforts!"
  - Todd, Norwalk
- "You've created a site that has become a "must-read" for those who work in the food business as well as people who like to eat, cook and read about food."
  - Elizabeth, Fairfield
- "We had to rely on Zagats to get a sense of where we would like to eat, but since receiving CT Bites there is a whole range of restaurants I've never heard about. Also, you are up to date, unlike Zagats that comes out yearly."
  - Malia, New Canaan
- "I love your newsletter and website. I feel like a curtain has been pulled back on amazing food experiences in our area. Thank you!"
  - Cindy, Westport

# Appetizers

#### **Social Media Post**

Get liked and shared by our loyal Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter audiences. An image(s) or video accompanied by a platform-specific description, including relevant link backs, may be shared on one or all of our channels.

Instagram image(s) or video: \$500 Instagram story: \$200

Facebook image(s) or video: \$100 \$350 Twitter:

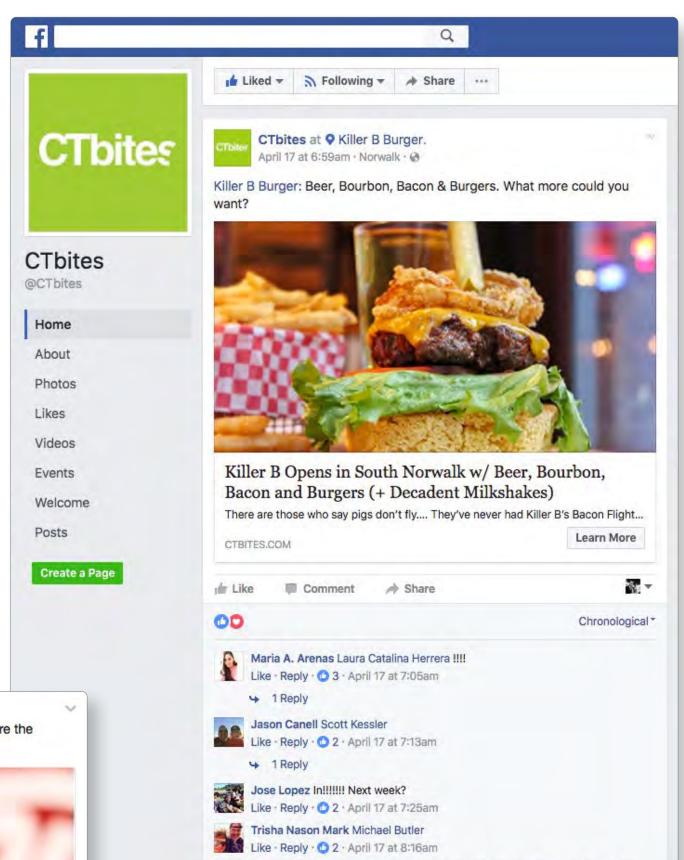
### **Instagram Giveaway**

Harness the power of CTbites 47,000+ readership to promote your brand with a GIVEAWAY, a great way to increase your followers while gaining maximum engagement for your account.

\$500







Ashley Rose Fernandes Dave Adams Courtney Murphy Christine DeChello

can we PLEASEEEE go before Ben comes! Like - Reply + 1 2 - April 17 at 8:29am

Like · Reply · 6 3 · April 17 at 12:00pm

Stephanie Bullard Matt Like - Renly - 10 3 - April 47



# What's in Season @ Walter Stewart's Market

SPONSORED POST

CTbites Team



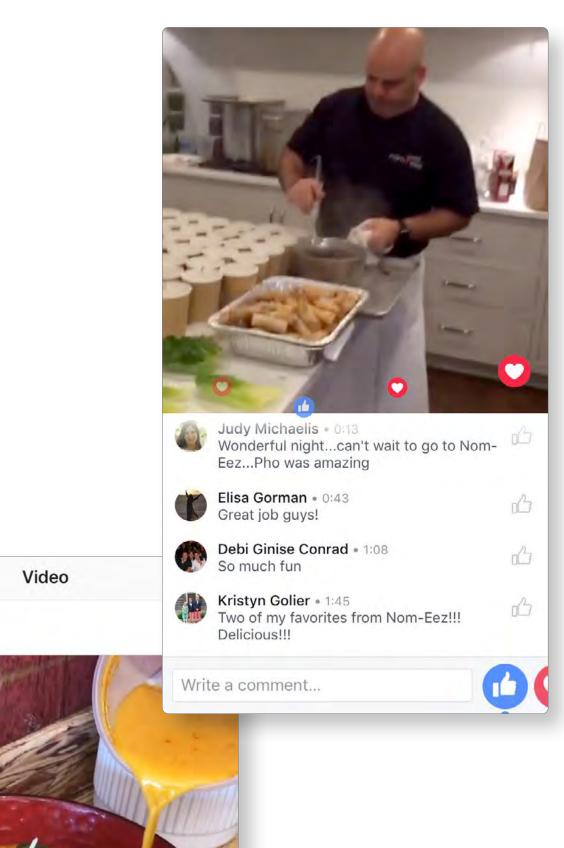
In an era of big box shopping, Walter Stewart's Market is a breath of fresh (a gourmet) air. A fixture in downtown New Canaan since 1907, this family rur grocery features a great selection of everyday needs for your family, as well the kind of customer service rarely seen these days. But Walter Stewart's of so much more than your average grocer.

At Walter Stewart's you can find artisanal goods from local producers and fa throughout the store, while hard to find specialty goods can be seen in every aisle. And let's not forget Stewart's Spirits. This is a market where the butch really does know your name, and sushi chefs are waiting to prepare you the perfect dinner. Enjoy your shopping experience and the season at Walter Stewart's with St. Patty's, Passover, Easter Goods and a whole lot more.

1,993 views · Liked by ctbites

ctbites #sexy #soup #vietnamese #coconut #curry #nomeez @chefstorch #blackrock #foodstagram #cteats #cteatsout #foodporn #ctfoodlovers #ctfood

#atractaurante #fairfioldcounty #fairfioldfoodie



## Entrée

#### **Advertorial**

A CTbites Advertorial is our most popular premium ad option. It is a 500 word "Advertorial" containing up to 5 photos. This is a post that looks and feels like CTbites content, but is marked as sponsored. This is perfect for new restaurant openings, events and offerings. Advertorials also include a complimentary Facebook post, Instagram story post, and newsletter mention.

\$1,200

#### Mini Advertorial

A scaled down version of a full Advertorial. Mini advertorials include 300 words and 2 photos. Includes a complimentary Facebook post and Instagram story post, plus a mention in the CTbites weekly newsletter.

\$800



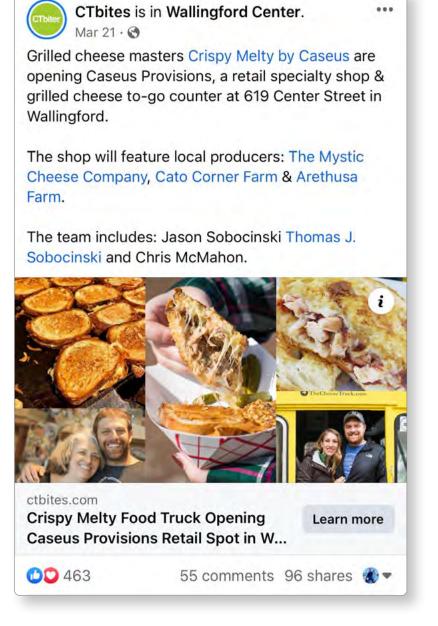
## Sides

### Recurring Monthly Advertising

Get exposure to the growing CTbites audience every month with our monthly advertising option. Choose a sponsored post on the same platform each month, or be flexible and rotate monthly amongst our appropriate advertising options (Facebook, Instagram, Guides, Round Ups, etc).

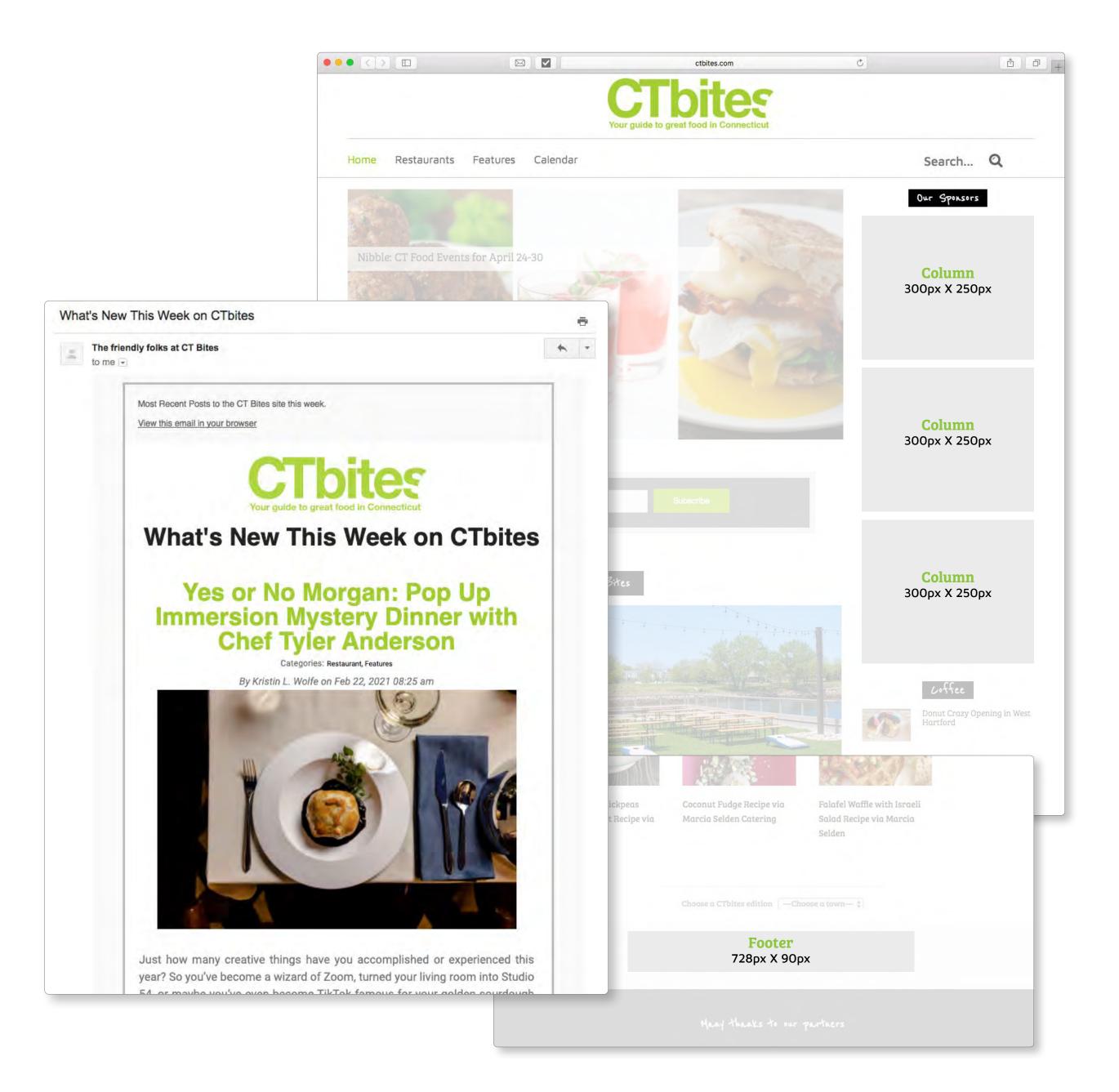
Starting at \$300/month Annual contract required











### Desserts

### CTbites.com Display Ads

These flat rate ads appear on the homepage and come in two different sizes. They are located in the right-hand column, or as a banner in the footer.

300 x 250 (column) 728 x 90 (footer) \$700/month \$700/month

### **Newsletter Sponsorship**

Our newsletter sponsorship gives one advertiser sole visibility once to our dedicated 11,000 subscribers. The weekly CTbites newsletter is sent out Monday morning, kicking off our news cycle and our 45% click through rate speaks to this dedicated reader. If you want premium placement and top billing, this spot is the best option.

468 x 60 \$200/week

All ad creative is subject to approval by CTbites. All ad creative (image files and URLs) must be received 3 days prior to the start of a campaign. File type must be in JPEG or GIF format, sized to ad specifications. CTbites does not accept script files or ads requiring additional coding.



## Tasting Menu

#### **Priority Placement**

Throughout the year we publish Roundups, which are CTbites lists focused exclusively on a holiday (Thanksgiving, New Year's, Mother's Day). Round Ups are inclusive lists with the business name and a sentence description. Priority Placement in a Round Up includes an image, a paragraph description, and listing at the top of the Round Up before the standard Round Up listings.

1st spot Priority Placement: \$300 3rd spot Priority Placement: \$250

2nd spot Priority Placement: \$275 Priority Placement: \$200

Package 4 Priority Placements: \$700 Package 6 Priority Placements: \$1,000

#### **Guides**

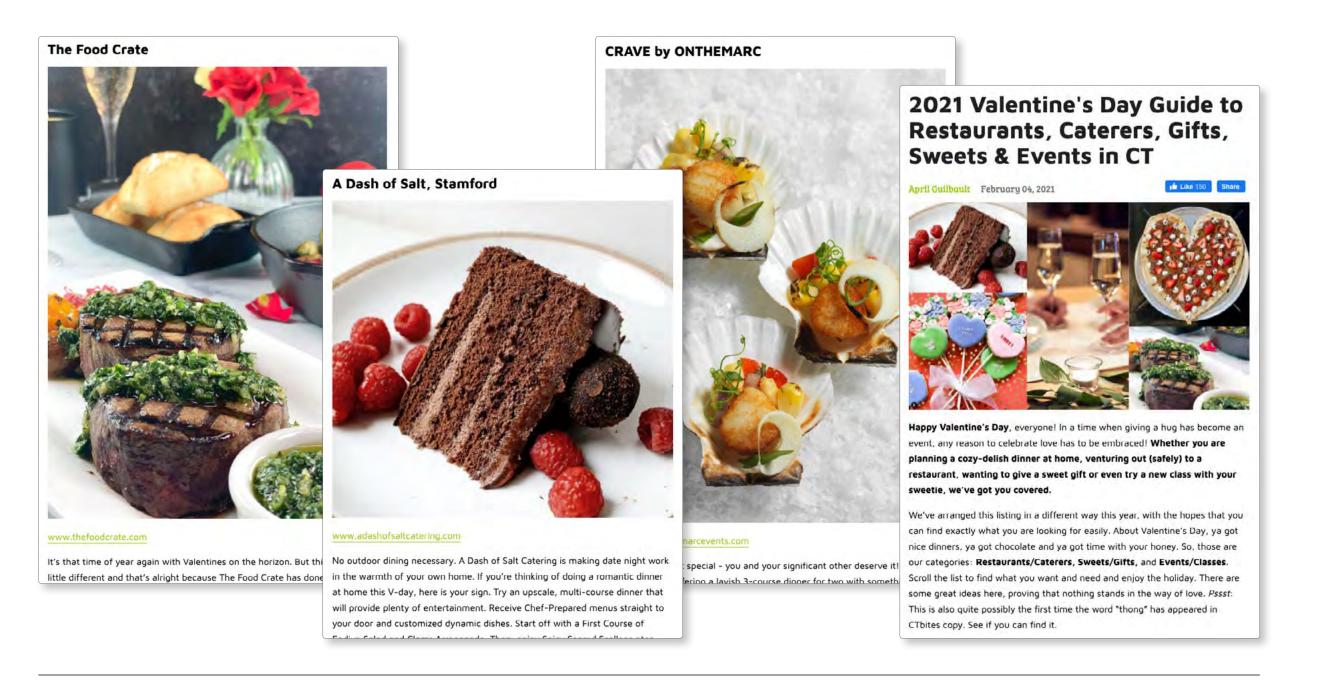
Guides are CTbites articles that post as CTbites content. They are curated, hand picked recommendations. Listing in a Guide includes an image, full description and link to a website or social media. Because they are curated, Guides tend to be shorter with fewer listings than Round Ups.

1st spot Guide placement: \$450 3rd spot Guide placement: \$400

2nd spot Guide placement: \$425 Guide placement: \$350

Package 4 Guide Placements: \$1,300 Package 6 Guide Placements: \$1,800







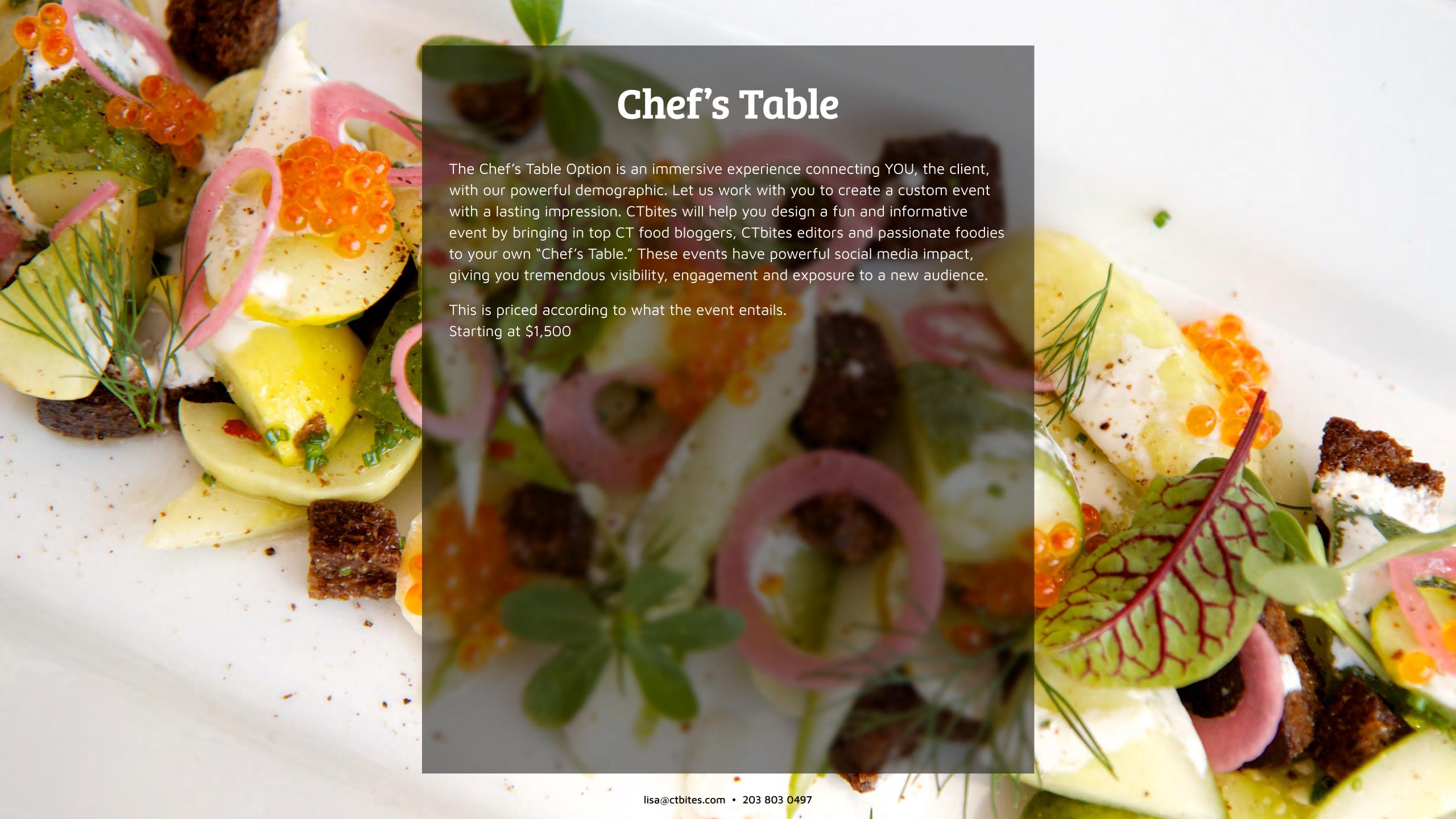
Athletic Brewing believes you shouldn't have to sacrifice your ability to be

healthy, active, and at your best to enjoy great beer - so, they've created their

How to find the perfect gift for this crazy ass year-well ain't that the question of the day! As many of us are staying a little further away from stores and not partaking in the usual activities we have in past years, we got creative and found the creative for your gift-giving! Artisans, chefs, and vendors are all rising to the occasion with fabulous out-of-the-box thinking and we

discovered a treasure trove of unusual, beautiful, tasty items and

experiences that will infuse a blast of goodness into this particularly



# Digestifs

### **Sponsorship Opportunities/Festivals**

CTbites partners with various festivals and events throughout the year. A variety of sponsorship opportunities are available depending on the event, examples being product placement, logo visibility, grab bag inclusion, etc.

Opportunities vary by event and are priced accordingly.





