



Cuisine to enlighten your senses...

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Featured Artist for March

Every month Vitis will feature a new artist, and that artist will visit Vitis on the First Thursday of the month. During First Thursday, hundreds of people walk from art gallery to gallery, sipping wine and meeting local artists. At Vitis we decided to kick it up a notch and offer dinner alongside art, wine and meeting the artist. Please come and welcome Terry Halstead at our "First Thursday Dine and Meet the Artist" Event.



Boats in Waiting 6.5" x 9.25"

Terry Halstead has been a practicing photographer for more than 30 years and has been a Bromoil practitioner since 2001. "I always felt I was searching for a quality to my work that was elusive until I saw an early Bromoil print. I had to find out about this remarkable process". After studying historic texts on the process, Terry was able to finally produce his first successful Bromoil print in late 2001. Later, Terry was invited to become a member of the International Society of Bromoilists in 2003. In 2005 he exhibited works at "Hopperfest" the first all Bromoil exhibition in more than 60 years which was held at the Plant Zero Gallery in Richmond, Virginia.

Winemaker Dinner with David Hill Winery

Our Winemaker Dinner for the month of March is with David Hill Winery, featuring new winemaker Jason Bull. The dinner will pair wines with a five-course meal specifically designed by Dana.



David Hill Vineyards & Winery has brought on board winemaker Jason Bull, who for the past four years has served as winemaker for Laurel Ridge Winery in Yamhill County. Jason is described by AvalonWine.com as "a rising star" of the Oregon wine industry. He has produced award-winning wines ranging from Chardonnay to Pinot Noir. In addition to his position at David Hill, Jason also makes wine for a number of small Yamhill County producers, three of which will be joining David Hill Winery for their production: La Dolce Vita Vineyards, Kason Vineyards, and La Bonne Terre Vineyards.

Each diner will get samples of the wines with specific dishes from Vitis Enoteca. Dinner will begin at 6:30 pm on March 14th; cost per person is \$60. Please call 503-241-0355 for reservations.



Remember, Vitis offers all its wines by the glass or bottle. We will gladly pour you a taste of any wine we have open, just ask your server.

Vitis Cuisine

What is a malfatti? It is just not a delicious warm roll waiting for you to gobble it up, but also a spinach dumpling that has been an old-time Napa favorite for decades. Malfatti, which literally means "badly made" in Italian, are believed to have been invented by mistake when extra ravioli filling was ingeniously recycled into dumplings. Dana's Great Aunt Theresa Tamburelli and her Great Grandmother Rosie Martini, who opened the famous Depot restaurant in Napa, as well as the Napa Valley Inn, were famous for their malfatti. That tradition has been passed down to Dana for you to enjoy at Vitis or at home. April 1st is the opening of the Portland Farmers Market, so please come and visit us, and take a little delicious history home to your family and friends.



About Vitis

Vitis Enoteca is located at the edge of the immensely popular and chic Pearl District in downtown Portland. We offer distinctively different Italian dining, featuring small plates of regional Italian cuisine. Our affordable menu offers the chance for diners to share and taste the regions of Italy. We offer over 80 wines by the glass.

First Fundraiser for Vitis

Vitis will be hosting a Fundraiser for the Community Reading Connection, in affiliation with Oregon Literacy, Inc., and we welcome you and a guest to The 78th Academy Awards presented and shown live beginning at 5 pm, March 5, preceded by a half-hour arrival segment. Dance after the party with special musical guests! \$20 suggested donation at door to benefit the Community Reading Connection. Black-tie optional.



Walkers 6" x 9"

Upcoming Events

The Winemaker Dinner for April will feature Camaraderie Cellars, please visit them at <http://www.camaraderiecellars.com>.

Farmer Market Schedule will be announced on the website, please visit <http://www.vitisenoteca.com>

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Dinner

Tuesday thru Thursday 5 - 9 pm
Friday and Saturday 5 - 10 pm

**Catering and private parties available,
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