



The Official **FESTA ITALIANA** Charlotte

CULINARY PARTNER

2026 GUIDE

May 17th, 2026 - Charlotte, NC, USA



AN ITALIAN FOOD & WINE FESTIVAL

A man with a beard and sunglasses, wearing a blue soccer jersey with white accents and the number '1' on the back, is using a long-handled metal peel to remove a pizza from a traditional stone oven. The oven is made of light-colored stone and has a large arched opening. The pizza is topped with tomato sauce, cheese, and other ingredients. The background shows a kitchen setting with stainless steel equipment and a brick wall.

The Beauty of ITALIAN CULTURE & CUISINE, for Charities.SM

Sunday, May 17th, 2026 | Starting at 1:00PM

Uptown Charlotte, NC | The Beautiful Gateway Village Promenade

FestaitalianaCharlotte.org



ST. ANTHONY FOUNDATION OF CHARLOTTE



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Festa Italiana Charlotte: An Italian Food & Wine Festival highlights "The Beauty of Italian Culture & Cuisine, for Charities."

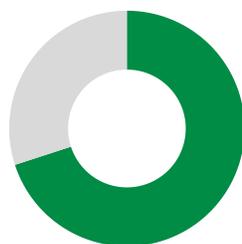
St. Anthony Foundation of Charlotte exclusively invites you to be a part of our 21st annual event that serves as a fundraiser impacting individuals with intellectual disabilities in our communities.

- Benefits of Participating -

- Engagement with affluent and influential guest (we're planning for 1,000)
- Opportunity to showcase food and culinary talent
- Exposure for private and large-scale catering services
- Networking opportunity for collaborations and partnership with major organizations

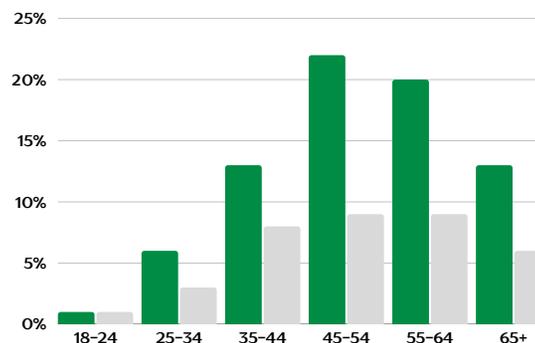
- Our Contributors Data Analytics -

Gender Segment



- 29% Male
- 71% Female

Age Segment



Subscribers & Followers

2,900+
Newsletter Subscribers

2,700+
Facebook Followers

750+
Instagram Followers

Top Contributors Zip Codes

- 28277** Ballantyne
- 28104** Weddington/ Waxhaw
- 28207** Myers Park/ SouthPark

- 28031** Lake Norman
- 28204** Elizabeth/ Plaza-Midwood
- 29707** Rock Hill/Indian Land

- 28227** Matthews/ Mint Hill
- 28054** Gastonia/ Belmont
- 28202** Uptown Charlotte

CULINARY PARTNER

Partnership Overview

- No Fee to Participate
- Culinary Partners are requested to donate sizable samples of food or beverages for guest enjoyment
- Must prepare enough servings for planned guest count of 1,000 individuals (with about 5-7% being children ages 12 and under)
- Experiential plating and cups are encouraged. This involves using creative presentation or unique disposable dishware to transform experience into an artistic, memorable event
- Culinary Partners have approximately 36 square feet to exhibit
- Culinary Partners are advised to make their spaces an elevated experience in presentation. Branded Tablecloths, Backdrops, Display Designs, Floral Arrangements/Plants and Lighting are allowed
- Butane Ranges (Portable Stove) and Burners are allowed with Fire Extinguisher
- Two Access Passes will be issued for Culinary Partners entry into the event, additional available upon need
- If Executive Chef or Culinary Expects plans to be present, let us know two weeks in advance for acknowledgement

What's Provided

- Two 6ft Tables with Tablecloths and Two Chairs
- Participation Signage
- Marketing of Culinary Partnership on Social Media Platforms, Newsletter Email, Website and within Event Program

Logistics Overview

- Set-up timeframe is between 9:00AM-11:00AM
- VIP Aperitif (Cocktail Hour) estimated between 11:30AM-1:00PM
- Grand Italian Tasting will start at 1:00PM and last 5-6 hours
- Additional details forthcoming





PRE-EVENTS & PROMOTIONAL ACTIVITIES

Culinary Partners are welcome to conduct signature events leading up to Festa Italiana Charlotte where the objective is to:

Help in Fundraising Efforts

Assist with Promoting Festa Italiana Charlotte

- Types of Signature Pre-Events -

Italian Wine Dinners
Dinner Concerts
Aperitivos (Cocktail Hours)
Dine to Donate

Italian Wine Tastings
Day or Brunch Parties
Afternoon Tea Parties
Cooking Classes

- A Few of our Past Culinary Partners -

Artisen Gelato
Brooklyn South Pizzeria
Capishe: Real Italian Kitchen
Del Frisco's Double Eagle Steakhouse
Enzo's Italian Market
Fiamma Ristornte
Italo Vezzoli
King of Fire
Lil Mama's Italian
Mama Ricotta's
Manolo's Bakery
Mariella & Grace
Nonna Maria's
Novanta 90 Pizzeria

Peroni Nastro Azzurro
Pizza Baby
Portofino's
PRP Wines International
Queens Italian & Shaved Ice
Quen Imports
Siano
Sweets & Savories by JoyMarie
Tayste Catering
The Everyday Market
The Palm
The Teal Turnip
Zinicola
Zia Pia

Interested in being a Culinary Partner?

Email: info@festaitalianacharlotte.org

Subject Line: Culinary Partner

EXPRESS INTEREST BEFORE
March 31st, 2026
 FOR FULL PARTNERSHIP BENEFITS



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