

# Press Release

Springfield, Missouri, Convention & Visitors Bureau

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## **Taste of Springfield Set for Oct. 3 in Downtown Springfield, Mo.**

Springfield, Mo.—The 3rd Annual Taste of Springfield event presented by Springfield Grocer Company is set for 11:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Oct. 3 in downtown Springfield. Taste of Springfield, held in the heart of downtown Springfield is the largest outdoor food festival in Springfield and is held on Park Central Square continuing down South Avenue to Walnut Street.

More than 20 locally-owned restaurants will serve sample-sized portions of some of their signature dishes to festival guests.

Festival attendees will be able to sample some of the best food Springfield has to offer and vote on their favorites in the “Best of Fest” competition for Best Appetizer, Best Entrée, Best Dessert and Best Booth Presentation.

Other activities during the festival include children’s activity area, cooking stage, and downtown beer garden featuring the micro-brews of the Springfield Brewing Company and locally-made wine from the OOVVDA Winery.

Culinary events include, two Iron Chef cooking competitions, Springfield “Takes the Cake” live cake decorating event, the Dagwood Dash sandwich building contest, the Firefighter “Grill Off” and a Showcase Chef cooking demonstration by renowned chef Wing Leong. There will also be live music from Nigel & the Ghost, Springfield Little Theatre, Jah Kings and the Honkytonk Renovators.

Admission is FREE! Festival hours are 11:30 am to 4:30 pm with food sampling from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and live music lasting until 4:30 p.m. Food tickets are sold in sheets of 10 for \$10.

This family-friendly event welcomes guests to try a Taste of Springfield!

For more information about Taste of Springfield, call 417-831-6200 or visit [www.itsalldowntown.com](http://www.itsalldowntown.com). For information about Springfield, call the Convention & Visitors Bureau at 800-678-8767 or visit [www.SpringfieldAdventures.com](http://www.SpringfieldAdventures.com).

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