



Boston Calling Music Festival Announces Its 2018 Food & Drink Lineup

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The festival's largest food & drink lineup yet will feature several new and exciting restaurants and vendors, craft beers from local and international breweries and VIP menus from some of Boston's most celebrated chefs

BOSTON, April 05, 2018 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- **Boston Calling** announces its largest food and drink lineup to date. With over 150 menu items to choose from this year, the festival rolls out a lineup of incredible new restaurants, chefs and food vendors alongside several returning favorites. Plenty of local and international craft beers and wines will round out this year's menu. Boston Calling takes place Memorial Day Weekend, **May 25-27, 2018** at the **Harvard Athletic Complex** in Allston (65 North Harvard Street, Boston). Tickets are available at www.bostoncalling.com.



Boston Calling's food & drink offerings in General Admission and VIP will be folded directly into the festival's expanded layout this year allowing festival goers to catch performances from the likes of **Eminem, The Killers, Jack White**, and more, while choosing from over 35 local restaurants and vendors, 11 of which are new. Boston's wood-fired favorite **Area Four** joins the food & drink lineup this year, as does Cambridge's **Commonwealth** and its array of chef driven sandwiches, local cult favorite **Union Square Donuts**, the mobile Middle Eastern standout, **The Chubby Chickpea**, and **Jaju Pierogi**, to name a few.

Returning all-star eateries and dishes in General Admission include **The Smoke Shop**, with its popular *BBQ Bomb*, a *giant waffle cone filled with pit beans, mac & cheese, coleslaw, and choice of brisket, pulled pork or smoked chicken*, **Moyzila's Hand-Folded Classic Dumplings**, **Stone and Skillet's English Muffin Pizzas**, and **Zinneken's Belgian Waffles**. The festival also welcomes back **El Pelon Taqueria** and their *Taco Plates and Burrito Bowls*, vegan ice cream favorite **FoMu**, local burger icon **Tasty Burger**, which is expanding its setup this year to include stations for *Tasty Dogs* and *Tasty Tots*, and **Whole Heart Provisions**, serving its signature veggie bowls, such as the *Viet Style*, with roasted broccoli, smashed cucumber, blistered green beans, cured tomato, basil, peanut crumble, and spicy peanut dressing.

For Boston Calling VIP and Platinum ticketholders, a select menu from acclaimed Boston restaurants and chefs will be available. In VIP's new "Boardwalk Lounge" area, **Will Gilson**, Chef and owner of **Puritan & Company** will offer *Tacos, Sandwiches and Bowls*, with *Braised Pork, Marinated Chicken or Grilled Vegetables*, while **Ruth's Chris Steakhouse** will serve up *Prime Sliders*, and **Love Art Sushi** will feature its *Shoyu TunaPoke Bowl* and *Avocado Ponzu Boat*, among other items.

Each night of the festival, Platinum VIP ticketholders will be treated to menus from some of the city's biggest culinary stars. Friday evening will feature an **Island Creek Oyster** display with *Oysters, Shrimp Cocktail and Littleneck Clams* all presented and served in Island Creek's signature ice-filled island boat. For Friday's main menu, **Chef Colin Lynch** of **Bar Mezzana** will serve up several options including *Root Vegetable Salad with Squash Hummus and Feta, Porcetta Sandwiches*, and *Roman Gnocchi with Mushroom Ragout*. Saturday night's menu in Platinum VIP will be prepared by James Beard nominated **Chef Tiffani Faison** of **Tiger Mama** and **Sweet Cheeks** and feature offerings such as a *Fried Chicken Sandwich Bar* with *Sweet Cheeks' Biscuits, Buttermilk Fried Chicken & Nashville Hot Chicken, Pickles, Condiments & Spreads* and a *Tiger Cheeks Shrimp & Crab Boil with Sweet Boiled Shrimp & Crab, Potatoes, Corn & Rice, and Spicy Soy Butter*. **Chef Chris Coombs** of **Boston Chops** will deliver a Sunday afternoon menu including the *Boston Chops Home Wrecker Hotdogloaded with bacon, pickled cabbage, house-made mustard, aioli, and crispy onions* and an evening menu starring a carving station for *Beef tenderloin sandwiches with horseradish cream, crispy onions* and *Moroccan spiced lamb with yogurt sauce, cucumber salad, grilled pita*.

To pair with all of the deliciousness at this year's festival, Boston Calling will once again offer a vast assortment of beers and wines in both General Admission and VIP. Hometown hops favorite **Samuel Adams** will serve a nice range of brews, including its new Revolutionary Craft Beer, *Sam '76*, *New England IPA*, and the always seasonal favorite, *Summer Ale*. **Miller Lite and Miller High Life will be available** and **Mikkeller Brewing** returns with its **Mikkeller Craft Beer Bar** where you can find some of Mikkeller's best specialty brews such as *Beer Geek Breakfast* and *Windy Hill IPA*. A selection of **Barefoot Wines** will be available including *Rosé, Pinot Noir* and *Moscato Spritzer*. VIP and Platinum ticketholders will be treated to specially curated bars in which they'll be able to order from several different top shelf spirits, during limited serving hours, including **Hendricks Gin**, **Glenfiddich Single Malt Scotch Whiskey**, **Brugal Rum**, and **Partida Tequila**. A variety of sodas, and bottled water will be available for purchase

throughout the entire festival. In addition, several free water stations will be onsite at Boston Calling for attendees who bring a factory sealed water bottle or empty beverage container.

The full food and drink lineup is below. All vendors and menu items are subject to change. *denotes new for 2018. The food and drink lineup can also be viewed at www.bostoncalling.com/food/

**BOSTON CALLING 2018
GENERAL ADMISSION FOOD MENU**

Arancini Bros

Classic Ragu – Saffron Risotto with tomato meat sauce, peas and mozzarella
Bianco Verde – Basil pesto with mozzarella
Bucatini Fritti – Italian style mac and cheese
Chicken Parm Bites – Ground chicken stuffed with tomato, basil & mozzarella
Pizza Ball – Margherita tomato, basil, mozzarella

***Area Four**

Supreme Garlic Knots
Supreme BBQ Pork Knots
Supreme Greek Lamb Knots

Bon Me

Signature Vietnamese Sandwiches and Soba Noodle Salads
with choice of filling: Spiced Rubbed Chicken;
Chinese BBQ Pork; Roasted Soy; Paprika Tofu

Chocolate Chip Sesame Cookies

***Caked Boston**

Traditional Cupcakes
Specialty Cupcake of the Day
Truffle Balls

***Chicken & Rice Guys**

Rice Plates (choice of protein)
Salad Plates (choice of protein)
Cumato Salad
Pita
Baklava

***The Chubby Chickpea**

Yemenite Fried Chicken Sandwich
Falafel Pita Pocket
Vegetarian Stuffed Grape Leaves

***Commonwealth**

Smoked Turkey & Bacon - Avocado Mayo, Pepper Jack, Arugula
Italian Stallion - Salami, Capicola, Mortadella, Provolone, Hots, Lettuce, Tomato, Oil & Vinegar
Nookie's Pastrami - House-made Spicy Mustard
Crispy Eggplant - Harissa Goat Cheese, Slow Cooked Green Beans, Arugula
Duck Fat Fries
CW Cookies

***Cookie DŌ**

One Scoop DŌ
Two Scoop DŌ
Cookie DŌ Sandwich
Cookies

CopperDome Crust

Artisan Wood Fired Pizza with choice of the following toppings:
Cheese, Pepperoni, and Spinach & Feta

***Deans Concessions**

Chicken Fingers & Fries

El Pelon Taqueria

Taco Plate – 2 Tacos (Steak or Chicken) with Fire Roasted Salsa with
Mexican Rice and Black Beans

Burrito Bowl (Steak or Chicken), Flour Tortilla, Fire Roasted Salsa with
Mexican Rice and Black Beans

Rice and Bean Plate – Mexican Rice, Black Beans

Chips & Salsa Fresca

Chips, Salsa and Guacamole

Firefly's BBQ

Pulled Pork or Pulled Chicken with Coleslaw

Chopped Beef Brisket Sandwich with Coleslaw

BBQ Bowl with Pulled Pork or Pulled Chicken, Mac & Cheese, Beans and Coleslaw

BBQ Brisket Bowl with Brisket, Mac & Cheese, Beans and Coleslaw

Porked Mac & Cheese

FoMu Ice Cream

Ice Cream Scoops

Ice Cream Sandwiches

***Jaju Pierogi**

Mix & Match Flavors:

Potato & Cheese Pierogi

Kielbasa & Red Pepper Pierogi

Sweet Potato & Caramelized Onion Pierogi

Jalapeño Cheddar Pierogi

Joe's American Bar & Grill

New England Clam Chowder

American Mac & Cheese

Gluten Free Mac & Cheese

Moyzila

Katsu Hand-folded Classic Dumplings: pork & napa cabbage, soy ginger dipping sauce Scallion Pie Quesadilla: Korean BBQ Chicken, cheddar, sriracha aioli

Korean BBQ Chicken Noodle Bowl: rice noodle, edamame, pickled veg, lettuce, scallion, fried shallot, sweet chili sauce

Riceburg

Rice burgers and rice bowls with the choice of filling:

Spicy Sweet and Sour Crispy Chicken

Bulgogi Steak

Shiitake Mushroom

Matcha Green Tea Lemonade

Roxy's Grilled Cheese

(2 booths)

Big Fig - sweet mission figs + balsamic drizzle on our three cheese blend

Green Muenster - house made guacamole and bacon on our three cheese blend

Classic Three Cheese - vermont cheddar, muenster, fontina cheese on locally baked tuscan bread

Hot Honey Bacon - crispy bacon + Mike's hot honey on our three cheese blend

Ruth's Chris Steak House

Steak Sandwich or Salad

Lobster Roll or Salad

Chicken Salad Wrap

Prime Beef Sliders

Cape Cod Potato Chips

SatéGrill

Build your own: Rice, Noodle, or Salad Veggie bowl with Chicken or Tofu + side of veg Dumpling or Crispy Roll

Banh Mi sandwich

The Sausage Guy

Sausage Guy Sweet Hot Bourbon Italian Sausage

Sausage Guy IPA Beer Brat

Sausage Guy All Beef Hot Dog

Giant Soft Pretzel

Shoestring French Fries

Shuck Food Truck

Oysters each/dozen

New England Lobster Roll

Lobster Slider

Fish + Chips

Fries

The Smoke Shop

(2 booths)

The BBQ BOMB - GIANT Waffle Cone filled with: Pit Beans, Mac & Cheese,

Cole Slaw, Choice of Brisket, Pulled Pork or Smoked Chicken Topped with Pickled Hots & BBQ Spices

The Pit Boss - All Three BBQ Meats: Pulled Pork, Brisket & Smoked Chicken. Plus Pit Beans, Coleslaw and Mac & Cheese

The BBQ Sandwiches: Choice of Brisket, Pulled Pork or Smoked Chicken

The Cornbread - with Honey Sea Salt Butter

The Sides - Coleslaw, Pit Beans or Mac & Cheese

Stone and Skillet

*English Muffin Cheese Pizzas
English Muffin Pepperoni Pizzas*

Tasty Burger

*(2 booths)
Hamburger
Cheeseburger
Bacon Cheeseburger
Veggie Burger
Deep River Potato Chips*

***Tasty All Beef Dogs**

*Plain Hot Dogs
Chili Hot Dogs*

***Tasty Tots**

*Plain Tots
Tots with Cheese Sauce
Tots with Chili
Tots with the Works (chili and cheese)*

***Union Square Donuts**

Assorted Donuts

Whole Heart Provisions

Veggie bowls with a choice of a base of greens or grains in the following styles:

Tazon Style Bowl – Pineapple, Corn Salsa, Korean Black Beans, Smashed Cucumber and Tomato, Red Cabbage Slaw and Lime Vinaigrette with Corn Nuts

Miso Style Bowl – Roasted Broccoli, Shaved Brussels Sprouts, Smashed Cucumber, Pickled Carrots, Red Cabbage Slaw with Orange Miso Sauce and Toasted Sesame Seeds

Viet Style Bowl – Roasted Broccoli, Smashed Cucumber, Tomato, Pickled Carrots, Savory Green Beans Spicy Peanut Sauce and Peanut Crumble

*Seared Avocado with tahini, za'atar & crispy lentils
Food Should Taste Good Chips*

Yume Wo Katate

*Yume Rame
Chashu Stick*

Zinneken's Belgian Waffles

*Liege Waffle
The Sin - Nutella, Banana,
The Gourmand – Caramel, Bananas, Whipped Cream
Fruit Delight – Belgian Chocolate, Bananas, Strawberries*

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VIP FOOD MENU

Love Art Sushi

Shoyu Ahi Tuna Poke Bowl – Hawaiian Marinated Yellowfin in soy, sesame, chili, garlic, nori with scallions over seasoned sushi rice

Spicy Crawfish Sushi Bowl – Tender Crawfish tossed in Sriracha wasabi aioli topped with panko over seasoned sushi rice

Avocado Ponzu Boat – Half an avocado surrounded by microgreens filled with citrus ponzu topped with furikake over seasoned sushi rice

Puritan & Company

The choice of tacos, a bowl with grains and greens, or a sandwich with the choice of the following proteins:

*Grilled Pork
Free Range Chicken*

Grilled Vegetables

Ruth's Chris Steak House

Prime Sliders

Lobster or Salad

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PLATINUM FOOD MENU

Friday, May 25

Island Creek Oyster Shellfish Display

Island Creek Oysters, Shrimp Cocktail and Littleneck Clams

Chef Colin Lynch – Bar Mezzana

Little gem lettuce salad with anchovy dressing and parmigiano reggiano

Root vegetable salad with squash hummus and feta

Tomato and mozzarella Suppli (crispy risotto balls)

Porchetta sandwiches

Roasted Cauliflower Pita with Yogurt and Curry

Chicken wings with calabrian agrodolce

Roman Gnocchi with mushroom ragout

Saturday, May 26, 2018

Chef Tiffani Faison – Tiger Mama and Sweet Cheeks

Fried Chicken Sandwich Biscuit Bar:

Sweet Cheeks Biscuits, Buttermilk Fried Chicken & Nashville Hot Chicken, Assortment of Pickles, Condiments & Spreads

**Fried Green Tomatoes-Vegetarian Option (Fried Chicken substitute)*

Tiger Cheeks Shrimp & Crab Boil:

Spicy Sweet Boiled Shrimp & Crab, Potatoes, Corn & Rice, Spicy Soy Butter

Selection of Early Summer Salads:

Watermelon Salad - Cotija, Mint, Cilantro, Spicy Peanuts

Mexican Caesar Salad – Grilled Little Gem, Crispy Tortilla Chips

Hoppin' John Salad – Rice, Blackeyed Peas, Jalapeno Vinaigrette

Dessert

Nutter Butter Cookies

Dee's Summer Donuts

Hong Kong Egg Tarts

Sunday, May 27, 2018

Chef Chris Coombs – Boston Chops

Afternoon

Boston Chops Home Wrecker Hotdog (loaded with bacon, pickled cabbage, house-made mustard, aioli, crispy onions)

Veggie Dog Option, Chips

Chops Cob Salad with herb vinaigrette, avocado, diced cheddar, tomato, and hard boiled eggs

Evening

Carving station for Beef tenderloin sandwiches, horseradish cream, crispy onions

Moroccan spiced lamb and yogurt sauce, cucumber salad, grilled pita

Vegetarian summer rolls with peanut sauce, cucumber, herbs

Kale Salad

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BEER & WINE MENU

BEER

Samuel Adams Sam 76

Samuel Adams New England IPA

Samuel Adams Summer Ale

Miller Lite

Miller High Life

Sol

Angry Orchard Hard Cider, Rosé

Truly Spiked and Sparkling, Wild Berry

Pilsner Urquell

Peroni

Mikkeller Windy Hill IPA

Mikkeller Staff Magician N.E. Style Pale Ale

Mikkeller Raspberry Blush, Berliner Style Weisse-Bier

Mikkeller Beer Geek Breakfast, Oatmeal Coffee Stout
Mikkeller Passion Pool, Passion Fruit Gose
Mikkeller California Dream, Hoppy Pilsner
Mikkeller BC "Response" Keller Pilsner
Mikkeller "Significant Endowment" DDH Double N.E. IPA

WINE

Barefoot Pinot Grigio
Barefoot Pinot Noir
Barefoot Rosé
Barefoot Moscato Spritzer
Barefoot Sangria Spritzer
Barefoot Bubbly Brut Cuvée

The day-by-day music lineup for Boston Calling 2018 is as follows. Performance times are forthcoming. *Artists are subject to change.

Friday, May 25, 2018

The Killers
The National
Paramore
Portugal. The Man
Maggie Rogers
Pussy Riot
Perfume Genius
Noname
(Sandy) Alex G
Big Thief
Citizen
Charly Bliss
This Is The Kit

Arena:
Natalie Portman
Lovett Or Leave It

Saturday, May 26, 2018

Jack White
Queens of the Stone Age
Tyler, The Creator
St. Vincent
Brockhampton
Royal Blood
Manchester Orchestra
Daniel Caesar
Belly
The Menzingers
Oh Sees
Mount Kimbie
Leikeli47
Lillie Mae
Tauk
Weakened Friends

Arena:
Natalie Portman
Pod Save America
Bridget Everett
Tony Hinchcliffe
Jo Firestone
Martin Urbano

Sunday, May 27, 2018

Eminem
Khalid
Bryson Tiller
Fleet Foxes
The Decemberists
Stormzy
Thundercat
Julien Baker
Dirty Projectors
Alvvays
Pond

Zola Jesus
Taylor Bennett
Westside Gunn and Conway
Field Report
Stl Gld

Arena:
Natalie Portman
David Cross
Cameron Esposito
Max Silverstri
Martin Urbano

Further details on Boston Calling's programming curated and hosted by Natalie Portman, will be shared in the coming weeks.

Boston Calling is proud to have Delta Air Lines, Miller Lite, Samuel Adams, and 47 Brand as sponsors for this year's festival.

Tickets: Single Day and Three-Day tickets are available for purchase at www.bostoncalling.com. Pricing for single day tickets are \$105 for General Admission, \$229 for VIP and \$599 for Platinum passes, while supplies last. A limited number of General Admission Three-Day passes and VIP Three-Day passes are available for \$289 and \$649, respectively. Additionally, there are a very limited amount of three-day Platinum passes available for \$1,099.

Payment plans are available on ticket orders Visit bostoncalling.com/tickets for further details.

Private elevated Skybox lounges are also available for up to 50 people; details and pricing are available upon request.

Getting There: Boston Calling is best accessed by the T on the Red Line's Harvard Square stop; from there it is a short walk to the festival's main entrance. Boston Calling will also be coordinating with taxi and rideshare programs for safe and easy pickup and drop off points; there will also be bike racks available onsite. At present onsite parking is available only to Platinum VIP package purchasers.

Social Media: Instagram: @bostoncalling; Twitter: @boston_calling; Facebook: [Boston Calling Music Festival](https://www.facebook.com/Boston-Calling-Music-Festival/)

Boston Calling is produced by **Boston Calling Events LLC (BCE)** which is owned by **Crash Line Productions** and **The Madison Square Garden Company**.

Crash Line Productions is a Boston-based entertainment production company that owns and produces dozens of events each year. Formed in 2012 by Brian Appel and Mike Snow, Boston Calling Events continues to build its event platform around Boston Calling Music Festival, Eau Claire Music & Arts Festival in Eau Claire, Wisconsin and Copenhagen Beer & Music Festival.

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