



COOKING CLASS

# Easy as Pie

Just in time for the holidays, a chic new downtown bake shop teaches the art of cookie-making, pie-baking and more.

Ordered to bring the pies to Christmas dinner? No problem. Cafe 222 owner Terryl Gavre's new downtown bakery, Bake Sale, is hosting classes throughout the holiday season. Gathered around the shop's marble slab counter, students learn to make pies (from the dough to the filling to the fancy lattice top) and jams and chutneys (perfect for holiday gifts). On December 2, there's a holiday cookie workshop with decorating ideas and tricks to make everything ahead and freeze it. The only thing you're doing at the last minute this season is shopping. Visit [bakesale.com](http://bakesale.com) to see the full schedule of classes, or call 619-515-2224 to reserve your spot. *815 F Street*

NYE

# Jazz & Bubbles

For anyone looking to go out on New Year's Eve, but not up for crowds and Uber price-gouging, Roppongi in La Jolla's got a nice offering. New executive chef Alfie Szeprethy is offering a classic prix-fixe menu for \$74 with surf and turf options, and jazz saxophonist Ian Tordella will be performing live. There are new seasonal cocktails at the bar, too. Visit [sandiegomagazine.com](http://sandiegomagazine.com) for details and more NYE parties around town.



## 10 Hot Plates

Rumors, openings, & coming-soons



**1** Arik Markus has been named executive chef of all 10 **True Food Kitchen** locations. Nathan Coulon remains at the Fashion Valley location.

**2** **Pacifica Del Mar** welcomes new chef Chris Powell, formerly of Bali Hai and Rancho Valencia.

**3** Chef Amy DiBiase has released a new seasonal menu at **Tidal** at Paradise Point, with fall ingredients like apple and pumpkin.



**4** Melissa Scott Clark has opened a new gourmet market called **The Front Porch** in Mission Hills.

**5** Executive chef Giovanni Novella is behind two new concepts opening soon in little Italy, pizza spot **Stella Public House** and a coffeehouse called **Halcyon**.

**6** **Sirena** is now open in Little Italy, with a menu built around South American seafood.

**7** Carlsbad's **West Steak & Seafood** has a new executive chef, David Abella, who plans to utilize the restaurant's 3-acre garden for herbs and produce.

**8** **Bird Rock Coffee Roasters** debuted its second location in Little Italy last month.



**9** A second **Lucha Libre** taco shop is taking over the former Marie Café spot in North Park.

**10** **Fleming's Prime Steakhouse** launched a new late-night happy hour, with \$9 snacks like lobster lettuce wraps and short rib empanadas.