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LA FINESTRA CAFÉ TO OPEN AT MUSEUM OF GLASS

Opening Wednesday, August 2, 2023.

TACOMA, WA. — Museum of Glass is thrilled to welcome La Finestra Café into its restaurant space. Founded by Leanne and Paul Franetovich of the Mill by Jack + Adeline, La Finestra is an extension of their unique brand of hospitality. The founders have a mission to help build and foster community by breaking bread around an equitable table.

"We intend to bring delicious, affordable food like our grandmothers used to make, with a focus on locallysourced ingredients," said Franetovich.

The cafe's format will lean heavily on grab-and-go items, but will also feature special dishes available for in-house dining experiences, along with a wine and beer program featuring local labels from small, family-owned producers. La Finestra will also stock a pantry and larder space - including items like locallysourced meats, dry pasta, olive oils, and spices - to allow visitors to pick up the supplies needed for a quick weeknight meal or date-night dinner.

La Finestra is the Italian word for window, an appropriate name for a space filled with floor-toceiling windows providing crystal clear views of the Museum of Glass fountain and the Thea Foss

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Waterway. The name also pays homage to the amazing pieces on display at the Museum of Glass.

Learn more at lafinestracafe.com. La Finestra will be open during regular Museum of Glass hours (Wednesday - Sunday, 10am-5pm).

ABOUT MUSEUM OF GLASS

Located in Tacoma, Washington, Museum of Glass is a premier contemporary art museum dedicated to glass and glassmaking with the West Coast's largest and most active museum glass studio. Opened in 2002, the Museum has established a reputation for hosting impactful and engaging artist residencies, organizing nationally traveling exhibitions, and creating unique programs for visitors while building a growing permanent collection chronicling the development of modern and contemporary glass. Museum of Glass provides an environment for artists and the public to ignite creativity, fuel discovery, and enrich their lives through glass and glassmaking.

QUICK FACTS

- Museum of Glass has displayed over 140 exhibitions since 2002, featuring glass art pioneers such as Dale Chihuly, Lino Tagliapietra, and Preston Singletary.
- Over 100,000 visitors explore the Museum each year.
- The Hot Shop hosts over 35 Visiting Artist Residencies each year.
- The Museum has engaged over 200,000 children through educational programs.
- 750 soldiers and veterans have been served through the Hot Shop Heroes program. More about Hot Shop Heroes can be found here.

Address: 1801 Dock Street, Tacoma, WA 98402

Hours: 10am-5pm, Wednesday - Sunday. Third Thursday of every month, 5am-8pm, free admission **Admission:** \$20 - Adults; \$18 - Seniors (65+)/College Students (18+)/Military (Active and Veteran); \$12 - Children (6–18); Free - Children (under 6); Free - Museum Members; \$1/person; \$2/family - EBT Cardholders

