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JUNE 2016  
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# BITE NW ARKANSAS

## TASTE, SIP, SAMPLE AND DISCOVER

Newly rebranded and deliciously expanded, BITE NW Arkansas (formerly known as NW Arkansas Food Festival), is returning for its second year to the NW Arkansas Championship Week event lineup. Providing an unparalleled culinary experience, BITE NW Arkansas aims to celebrate the region's best cuisines, ingredients, restaurants and chefs through tasting events and cooking demonstrations.

Taking inspiration from the event's tagline, "Taste. Sip. Sample. Discover," participating bars and restaurants are encouraged to help attendees discover a new favorite local beer, ingredient, restaurant or dish through innovative presentations.

"The most exciting thing guests have to look forward to is the variety and range of unique food experiences BITE NW Arkansas will offer," says tournament director Harry Hardy. "Between new restaurants like MOD in Bentonville, new sponsors like McCormick, and existing favorites such as The Hive, Bordinos and Tacos4Life, the festival is sure to be a tasting experience like no other in this region."

Featuring two nights of entertainment, BITE NW Arkansas will host two feature events designed to showcase our region's best culinary offerings. Taste of NW Arkansas, taking place on Thursday, June 23, at the Walmart AMP, will feature sample menu items from area restaurants such as River Grille Steakhouse, 28 Springs, Theo's, Pinnacle Bar and Grill, Wasabi and many others, as well as cooking demonstrations from top area chefs such as Tyson Executive Chef Mario Valdovino.



Similarly, the Beer and Burger Fest, taking place on Friday, June 24, also at the Walmart AMP, will highlight our area's best burgers and booming craft beer scene with samples from participating restaurants and breweries such as Levi's Gastrolounge, Le Bouvier, Bike Rack Brewing, Ozark Beer Company, Fossil Cove Brewing Company and more.

"Our region is worth celebrating and BITE NW Arkansas does just that," says Hardy. "From the amazing chefs and restaurants that call this place home, to the brands and companies that have offices here, there's always something new happening in our backyard. We feel privileged to be able to shine a light on the great things happening here in one place over two nights with 2,000 of our closest friends." ■

Adult general admission tickets cost \$30, or \$50 for a couple's ticket, for each event. Youth tickets (ages 12-20) are available for a Taste of NW Arkansas for \$20, and Designated Driver tickets are available for the Beer and Burger Fest for \$15 each. For tickets or more information, visit the NW Arkansas Championship Week website at [www.nwachampionship.com/tickets](http://www.nwachampionship.com/tickets).

