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## Satisfy Your Appetite & Stimulate the Economy for just \$25!

Downtown Atlanta Restaurant Week extends its dining deals to TWO weeks beginning July 27

**WHAT:** Downtown Atlanta Restaurant Week

**WHEN:** July 27 – August 9, 2009

WHERE: Participating restaurants in the Downtown Dining District

**COST:** \$25 for a three-course meal

INFO: <a href="http://www.atlantadowntown.com/fun/restaurant-week">http://www.atlantadowntown.com/fun/restaurant-week</a>

**ATLANTA** – Call it an economic stimulus if you like; the \$25 three-course meal at Downtown's finest restaurants is truly the steal of the summer and this year, you'll have even more time to enjoy it! Downtown Atlanta Restaurant Week will begin on Monday, July 27 and extend through Sunday, August 9, and as the Downtown Dining District continues to grow, the list of participating restaurants will make you salivate even more. Downtown is thriving with new places opening constantly, and this year, almost a third of the restaurants are new to the event, including 30 Tables, Legal Sea Foods, Rise Sushi Lounge and more! You have more incentive than ever to enjoy this deal and try out some new hot spots, and best of all: you can make a night out of it with some unbeatable deals at select Downtown hotels.

Il Mulino in the 191 Building is another of the new dining spots this year. "We have heard great things about Downtown Atlanta Restaurant Week in the brief time we have been in our Downtown location and are excited to be a part of it for the first time," says Executive Chef Michelle Mazza of Il Mulino, which opened in Atlanta in December of 2008. We hope this will be something that brings in our loyal customers as well as new patrons who are looking for a great deal and authentic Italian cuisine."

As always, you'll be encouraged to cool off with the Restaurant Week signature cocktail as you step out of the heat and into the restaurant of your choice. This year, The Bacardi® Dragon Berry Lemonade will do the trick with its refreshing blend of strawberry rum and fresh fruit juice.

## The Bacardi® Dragon Berry Lemonade:

2 parts Bacardi® Dragon Berry™
1-1/2 parts Fresh Squeezed Lemon Juice
1-1/2 parts Simple Syrup
1 part Cranberry Juice
1 part Top with Club Soda

For two weeks only, the following restaurants will offer three-course meals for \$25, including an appetizer, entrée and dessert: 30 Tables, Atlanta Grill, Avanzare Steakhouse, Café Circa, Django Gypsy Saloon, Durango Steakhouse, French American Brasserie, Hard Rock Café, Il Mulino, Legal Sea Foods, Max Lager's American Grill & Brewery, Morton's The Steakhouse, No Mas! Cantina, Pacific Rim Bistro, Peasant Bistro, Ray's in the City, Rise Sushi Lounge, Room, Sear, Stats, Terrace on Peachtree, Thrive, and Trader Vic's. No tickets needed, but reservations are suggested. The fixed price of \$25 does not include beverages, tax and gratuities. You can check out the restaurants' menus and also view new restaurants that have been added at the web site below.

## **ABOUT DOWNTOWN ATLANTA RESTAURANT WEEK**

Founded in 2002 by Central Atlanta Progress and modeled after events in sister cities such as New York, Boston, Washington D.C. and Philadelphia, Downtown Atlanta Restaurant Week has become the pinnacle event of the year in which metro Atlantans can experience the finest three-course menus from celebrated chefs at a special, fixed price of \$25. For more information on Downtown Atlanta Restaurant Week, visit

www.atlantadowntown.com/HavingFun\_RestaurantWeek.asp or call Central Atlanta Progress at 404-658-1877.