



The Public House

at SIGNS OF LIFE BOOKSTORE
722 Massachusetts St.—Lawrence, KS

Mondays **Fall 2006** 7:30 pm



Potential for Salsa by James Lipovac
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Culinary Culture Lecture Series Cultivating Excellence and Sustainability from Farm to Plate

Excellence is a God-given virtue of a mature, sustainable, and fruitful culture, and should be pursued in all areas of life. This especially includes humankind's relationship to the earth and its fruit. The pursuit of excellence has implications for the way we prepare our food and the way we eat, especially in relation to the intimate connection between sustainable, local agriculture and healthy, quality culinary culture. In order to explore these ideas in the context of our community, this fall, Signs of Life is offering a free, weekly lecture series that showcases some of our community's foremost authorities on excellence in culinary culture.

So come, pour yourself a cup, and join the conversation!

September

- 11—**Tim O'Brian** – Culinary Culture and Christian Stewardship
- 18—**PUBLIC DISCUSSION*** on the deeper meaning of eating.
- 25—**Sula Teller** – From the Garden to the Plate: Bridging the Gap between Production and Consumption

October

- 2—**Tom Wheat** – Thinking Locally in a Supranational Industry: Venezuela Biointensive Coffee Farm Communities and the American Consumer
- 9—**Caleb Stegall** – Culinary Politics: Prairie Uprisings and Agricultural Revolts in Kansas History
- 16—**PUBLIC DISCUSSION*** on the Slow Food movement and the connections between food and community
- 23—**Nancy O'Connor** – Culinary Culture Starts at Home: The Social Impact of Family Mealtime
- 30—**Joe Farthing** – The New Connoisseurship: Specialty Coffee and Tea Industries in the 21st Century



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November

- 6—**Steve Wilson** – All Roads Lead to Wine: The Social, Historical, and Gastronomical Implications in a Cup of Wine
- 13—**Katherine Kelly** – Small Farm Agri-culture in a Time of Big Farm Agri-business: A Presentation of the Growing Growers Training Program
- 20—**PUBLIC DISCUSSION*** on gardening as a metaphor for the life of grace.

December

- 4—**Hilary Brown** – Slow Food Fast: *Local Burger* as the Next Generation of Sustainable Fast Food
- 11—**PUBLIC DISCUSSION*** on the demise of family farms and what it means for American democracy

*Based on an interview taken from the Mars Hill Audio Journal

MONDAY NIGHTS—7:30 PM—STARTING SEPTEMBER 11, 2006