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A MEDITERRANEAN MENU SETS THE STAGE FOR BACCHAE AT THE GETTY VILLA







Enjoy an Exclusive Dining Experience with light hors d'oeuvres and cocktails before Thursday Evening Performances or a Prix-Fixe Sit-Down Dinner before Friday and Saturday Performances

LOS ANGELES - Enhance the experience of this year's outdoor theater production at the Getty Villa with several dining options. On Thursday evenings, *Nectar of the Gods Sunset Celebration* will offer light hors d'oeuvres and cocktails on the Museum's South Balcony, and on Friday and Saturday evenings a prix-fixe dinner with wine pairings will be offered in the private dining room. Each evening will also include gourmet boxed dinners, dessert items, and drinks available for purchase at the Café.

Chef Fernando Cayanan has created a Mediterranean menu to set the stage for Bacchae—co-produced by SITI Company, directed by Anne Bogart, and translated by Aaron Poochigian. The menu will be presented <u>Thursday</u>, <u>Friday</u>, and <u>Saturday evenings September</u> 6–29, 2018.

Before Thursday evening performances, join the *Nectar of the Gods Sunset Celebration* on the Museum's South Balcony overlooking the Outer Peristyle garden, where guests can enjoy a selection of light hors d'oeuvres, wine, and beer. The menu includes vegetable

samosas, grilled prawns, schiacciatta, kale & roasted cauliflower salad, antipasto board, chickpea hummus, grilled pita, and a selection of seasonal small bites desserts.

The sit-down dinner menu, served Friday and Saturday evenings in the Private Founders Room, begins with a kohlrabi & sunchoke herb salad followed by your choice of entrées: golden corvina sea bass, prime tenderloin of beef or a vegetarian option. Guests may choose selected wine pairings, purchase wine by the glass, or the specialty cocktail, spiced white wine with seasonal fruit. Coffee and dessert, chocolate dipped coconut macaroons can be enjoyed at the table or taken to the theater to enjoy during the performance.

Gourmet boxed dinners are also available at the Café, including a mezze box, artisan cheese & dried fruit, antipasto box, grilled chicken panini, grilled streak wrap, Italian chopped salad, with or without chicken, baked ziti with lemon fonduta, braised beef in red wine, and basil hummus & pita. A specialty cocktail, spiced white wine with seasonal fruit, will be available. Beer, white wine, specialty coffee drinks and other beverages will also be available for purchase, prior to the performance, at the Cafe and the Coffee Kiosk.

The sunset celebration on Thursday evenings is \$50 per person and will begin at 6:30 p.m. on the Museum's South Balcony. Prix fixe dinners on Friday and Saturday evenings are \$80 (\$105 with wine pairing) and are served at 6:15 p.m. in the Private Founders Room, before the 8:00 p.m. curtain time. Advance reservations are required for both and can be made when purchasing tickets online to a performance or by calling (310) 440-7300. To ensure a relaxing dinner experience, theater seats will be reserved in advance for all sunset celebration and prix fixe dinner guests. Gourmet boxed dinner are between \$6.95 and \$16.95 and are not available for pre-order.

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Same-day parking at both Museum locations (Getty Center and Getty Villa) is available for \$15 through the Getty's Pay Once, Park Twice program.

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