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DOWNTOWN RESTAURANTS SERVE UP A 'TASTE OF PICKLESBURGH' PREVIEW EVENT WITH FREE PICKLE PINS, PICKLE BEER, AND MORE

- 'Taste of Picklesburgh' drink and food items plus free Heinz Pickle Pins available July 8 – July 14
- 15 restaurants participating in the run up to Picklesburgh festival
- Select establishments offering limited-edition pickle beer from Southern Tier Brewing
- USA Today's #1 Specialty Food Festival returns July 15-17 with expanded footprint

DOWNTOWN PITTSBURGH, PA – For those who relish Picklesburgh and cannot wait for the expanded main event this year, the Pittsburgh Downtown Partnership (PDP) is dill-ivering a **'Taste of Picklesburgh'** in Downtown Pittsburgh to placate your pickle pining. They announced today that more than 15 Downtown restaurants are coming together to offer a creative array of pickle-themed food and beverages from Friday, July 8th through Thursday, July 14, just ahead of Picklesburgh's opening day. Participating establishments will distribute free Heinz Pickle Pins with purchase, while supplies last.

Participating restaurants will feature pickle-themed food and beverages, with items like pickle pizza, pickle stuffed pierogies, Picklesburgh grilled cheese, kisir (a traditional pickle salad), pickle-themed cocktails and more. Select restaurants will also be exclusively serving limited-edition pickle beer from **Southern Tier Brewing**, made especially for Picklesburgh.

"'Taste of Picklesburgh' is a chance for the community to get brined and ready for the main event, and for Downtown bars and restaurants to get creative with pickle-themed food and drink concoctions," said Jeremy Waldrup, PDP's president and CEO. "The enthusiasm for pickles allows us to go beyond the three day 'Picklesburgh' event and engage many more Downtown restaurants in the festivities."

"Pittsburgh loves Picklesburgh, so it's fun for us to serve some pickle inspired items to our customers to kick things off, just ahead of the festival," said Callise Blandi, Regional Manager for **The Yard Pittsburgh**. "Taste of Picklesburgh provides an early treat for dill devotees, and something different for those who are a little 'pickle perplexed' to try."

Pickle-lovers who want to fill their pickle pantry, and partake of free pickle pins, can also head to the popular Market Square Farmers Market from 10am-2pm on Thursday June 14. **Jak's Bakery** will be serving up pickle pizza while more than a half dozen Picklesburgh vendors will be previewing their dill-ectable offerings at the Market, including: **Cherish Creamery, Copper Coast Confections, Gosia's Pierogies, Keystone Cultures Co., KizzleFoods, The Olive Tap** and **The Brinery @Two Acre Farm**. Each vendor will also be distributing free pickle pins with every purchase, while supplies last.

A complete list of participating restaurants and their featured pickle items is available on the PDP website at: <https://downtownpittsburgh.com/tasteofpicklesburgh/>

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Picklesburgh 'Back, and Bigger Than Ever Before' For 2022

The giant pickle balloon will soon ascend again for Picklesburgh from July 15-17. The Picklesburgh festival launched in 2015 and has become one of Pittsburgh's most popular events, drawing tens of thousands of visitors into Downtown every year, as well as attracting national and international media attention. The event has been recognized with two second consecutive victories as the #1 Best Specialty Food Festival in America.

About the Pittsburgh Downtown Partnership

Pittsburgh Downtown Partnership (PDP) is a dynamic, nonprofit organization comprised of business and community leaders, property owners, civic organizations, foundations, and residents who provide energy, vision, and advocacy for Downtown Pittsburgh. Working collaboratively with its partners, the PDP strives to create a positive Downtown experience for residents, workers and visitors alike. The PDP's strategic initiatives include clean and safe services, transportation, and economic development and advocacy. For more information, visit www.DowntownPittsburgh.com, follow us on Twitter at <http://twitter.com/downtownpitt> and "like" us on Facebook.

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