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Guest Newsletter

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### A MESSAGE FROM HANS C. BASSE, GENERAL MANAGER



The Kitano New York has many exciting events in store for the fall season. With our new guest packages, seasonal menus and unique holiday events, we hope you will experience The Kitano New York this season.

This fall, the hotel will continue to feature a wide array of talented jazz musicians with its weekly live performances in the Bar Lounge and in addition, The Kitano New York now offers a special Jazz Night Package to help guests further enjoy the performances.

The hotel is also featuring a special package designed for families looking for a big city adventure. With the Family Weekend Package, guests of all ages can enjoy a memorable visit to New York with a special rate and amenities for the children.

The Kitano New York unveils a new fall menu at the Garden Café and families are invited to celebrate Thanksgiving with us here at the hotel with our special holiday menu. We also hope that you will keep The Kitano New York in mind for all of your holiday party needs, as we offer special packages perfect for events large and small.

Here at The Kitano New York, we welcome the fall and invite you to come to the great city of New York to enjoy this beautiful time of year. I wish you happy travels and look forward to hosting you in the near future.

Warmest regards,

Hans C. Basse, General Manager

### THE KITANO NEW YORK OFFERS TWO SPECIAL PACKAGES TO ENJOY AN ESCAPE TO THE CITY

The Kitano New York is now offering two special packages, the Jazz Night Package and the Family Escape Package, to make a visit to New York more memorable.

Considered by many as one of the city's top venues for live jazz performances, The Kitano New York invites jazz connoisseurs to enjoy luxurious accommodations and experience a memorable live performance with its special **Jazz Night Package**, valid each Friday and Saturday evening.

With rates starting at \$355 per night, plus tax, guests will enjoy superior accommodations, complimentary access to the Bar Lounge for nightly performances (\$15 food & beverage charge not included), breakfast for two at The Garden Café, a late check out at 1 p.m. and a complimentary jazz CD featuring the sounds of the renowned Don Friedman Quartet, while supplies last.

New York also provides families with an adventure of a lifetime. The Kitano New York is now inviting families to experience all that the city has to offer with its **Family Weekend Package**, available each weekend for rates starting at \$355 per night plus tax.

This cost saving package features complimentary breakfast in The Garden Café, cookies and milk delivered to the kids, a keepsake rubber duck, late check-out at 1 p.m., and no extra fees for a third person or extra bed. With its spacious guestrooms and family-friendly amenities, The Kitano New York provides the perfect hotel for a family getaway.

For reservations or additional information on the Jazz Night Package or the Family Weekend Package, call (800) 548-2666 or visit the Web site at <http://www.kitano.com/>.

### CELEBRATE THE HOLIDAY SEASON AT THE KITANO NEW YORK

The holidays are just around the corner and why not plan your holiday party early. The Kitano New York offers superior Japanese hospitality and service, spectacular venues, the convenience of Midtown Manhattan and close proximity to transportation hubs, making it an ideal venue for holiday receptions and social gatherings.

This year, The Kitano New York will offer several distinct menus and party options to accommodate a variety of events. For a casual holiday gathering, the hotel will host a three-hour premium bar cocktail reception for \$99 person (25 guest minimum). For an additional fee, guests will also have the option of adding a carving station to this reception. This package is subject to tax and service and also requires a \$185 bartender fee.

For a more upscale event, The Kitano New York will feature an open bar, passed hors d'oeuvres and dinner buffet menu which will feature a variety of cuisine tailored to each groups' tastes. This offering begins at \$175 person (25 guest minimum). It is subject to tax and service and also requires a \$185 bartender fee. Guests can also host a formal holiday event at The Kitano New York this season. With an open bar and an hour of passed hors d'oeuvres followed by a three-course meal with cuisine selected by the host prior to the event, this menu will provide a holiday affair to remember. The package begins at \$195 per person (25 guest minimum.) It is subject to tax and service and also requires a \$185 bartender fee.

With its delightful cuisine, excellent service and tranquil setting, The Kitano New York is the perfect place to celebrate the holidays with your family, friends and co-workers this season.

Special event holiday menus will be available from November 15, 2007 through January 15, 2008. For more information about the venues and holiday packages, contact Thanya Phanpinyo at (212) 885-7017 or email [cateringsales@kitano.com](mailto:cateringsales@kitano.com).

### THE KITANO NEW YORK'S NEWS OF NOTE:

- **Jazz Night Package:** Enjoy a night of jazz at The Kitano New York with the hotel's new special package.
- **Family Weekend Package:** The Kitano New York will now offer a special weekend package and rate for families traveling to the Big Apple.
- **Thanksgiving at The Kitano New York:** The Garden Café is now accepting Thanksgiving reservations for its traditional holiday dinner.
- **Holiday Parties at The Kitano New York:** The hotel will offer a selection of holiday menus and party options for all of your holiday party planning needs this season.
- **New Year's Eve at The Kitano New York:** The Kitano New York's Bar Lounge will host renowned jazz musician Joe Locke for a special performance on December 31. Reserve seats early.

More information on each of these topics can be found below.

### FALL INTO NEW YORK'S SEASONAL EVENTS

#### Upcoming Events & Exhibitions:

**Jazz at The Kitano New York:** Every Wednesday through Saturday night The Kitano New York offers two sets of live jazz starting at 8 p.m. and 10 p.m. Fall performers include the **Don Friedman Quartet** on September 28 & 29 and the **Ronnie Cuber Band** on October 26 & 27.

**The Morgan Library & Museum Exhibitions:** Painted with Words: Vincent van Gogh's Letters to Émile Bernard - September 28 through January 6

**Columbus Day:** Monday, October 8

**Greenwich Village Halloween Parade:** Wednesday, October 31 at 7 p.m.

**New York City Marathon:** Sunday, November 4

**Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade:** Thursday, November 22

**Joe Locke's New Year's Eve Performance at The Kitano New York:** Monday, December 31



### SPEND THANKSGIVING WITH THE KITANO NEW YORK

After experiencing a true New York tradition, the 81st annual Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade, The Kitano New York, invites you to enjoy a traditional Thanksgiving feast in the hotel's Garden Café.

From 12 p.m. until 8 p.m. on Thursday, November 22, guests can enjoy a special prix fixe three-course menu for only \$48 per person. A children's menu is also available for \$20 per child. Guests will delight in savory favorites such as Pumpkin Ravioli and Lobster and Acorn Squash Bisque. For the main course, the restaurant will feature Thanksgiving favorites such as the traditional Oven Roasted Turkey and Pan Seared Salmon. To satisfy their sweet tooth, guests will enjoy dessert selections including Rustic Apple Tart and Pumpkin Pie. Dinner and room reservations should be booked early as spots are filling quickly. For restaurant reservations, call (212) 885-7123. For hotel reservations or information on Thanksgiving rates, call (800) 548-2666 or visit the Web site at [www.kitano.com](http://www.kitano.com).

### A NEW FALL MENU FEATURED AT THE GARDEN CAFÉ

To welcome the fall season The Kitano New York's Garden Café, which features American contemporary cuisine, is now showcasing a new seasonal menu with a wide selection of American, Asian and French-inspired dishes. Situated in a historic townhouse adjacent to the hotel, the Garden Café offers a tranquil urban garden setting of abundant and robust exotic plants and vegetation. Paired with its wide variety of menu choices, the Garden Café is the perfect choice for any dining experience.

With the new menu's focus on the fresh seasonal choices of the fall season, guests can choose from such selections as Sweet Potato Gnocchi, Prosciutto and Arugula Pizza, Mushroom Risotto, and Chicken Paillard with portobello mushrooms and roasted red pepper sauce.

The Garden Café also offers an extensive drink menu including Mighty Leaf Teas and Infusions such as White Orchid Tea, Chamomile Citrus and Mint Mélange. The restaurant features a variety of fine wines with labels from around the world including France, South Africa and Napa Valley.

The Garden Café is open daily and dinner and lunch entrees range from \$18-29. Reservations can be made by calling (212) 885-7123.



**THE KITANO NEW YORK' S HAKUBAI RESTAURANT  
SHOWCASED AT MACY' S HERALD SQUARE**

With its unique Kaiseki cuisine, The Kitano New York' s Michelin-rated Hakubai Restaurant remains one of the city' s most authentic and sought after Japanese dining experiences. Hakubai' s Executive Chef Yukihiro Sato was recently showcased during the Macy' s at Herald Square' s Chef Demonstration series where Chef Sato prepared Teriyaki Chicken Hakubai Style and Marinated Chicken in a Chilled Vinaigrette Soup. Guests were able to observe the unique technique of Japanese cooking and sample the cuisine. Hakubai serves traditional Japanese favorites at lunch, and during dinner hours, the distinctive Kaiseki cuisine is served. Hakubai is open daily from 11:45 p.m. until 2:30 p.m. for lunch and from 6 p.m. until 10 p.m. for dinner. Reservations can be made by calling (212) 885-7111.



**MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR NEW YEAR' S EVE AT THE  
KITANO**

Jazz connoisseurs should mark their calendar for New Year' s Eve when The Kitano New York will host a special jazz evening featuring the sounds of Joe Locke. The musician will perform two sets, and tickets are \$75. Advanced reservations are recommended as the performance will sell out. Jazz performance reservations can be made by calling (212) 885-7119.



**CELEBRITIES GRACE THE KITANO**

Throughout the summer, the Kitano New York has been honored to host a few celebrities.

On August 15, Dr. HRH Princess Chulabhorn Mahidol of Thailand was welcomed by The Kitano New York' s General Manager Hans Basse and enjoyed a traditional Japanese meal prepared by Hakubai Restaurant' s Executive Chef Yukihiro Sato.



The Kitano New York again hosted the 2006 U.S. Open Tennis Champion, Maria Sharapova, as she competed in this year' s tournament.



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