





## Sixth Annual Wells Fargo Kick-Off Dinner Featuring Tempos Vega Sicilia

The Wells Fargo Kick-Off Dinner was Charlotte Wine & Food Weekend's opening event for its 31st year of fundraising. This year's gala, once again held on the 41st floor of the One Wells Fargo building in Uptown, featured special guest Pablo Alvarez, owner and CEO of Tempos Vega Sicilia, Spain's pre-eminent and most iconic winery. The event raised \$10,000 for local kids charities. PHOTOGRAPHY COURTESY OF JOSH BANHEM PHOTOGRAPHY AND POP ROCK PHOTOGRAPHY



### LIFESTYLE CALENDAR

APRIL

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#### MCCOLL CENTER 20 YEARS + GALA McCull Center for Art + Innovation

The McColl Center for Art + Innovation's 20 Years + Gala will celebrate the center's goal of sparking creative experiences and championing contemporary artists. The event is presented by the Bank of America and will feature a silent auction and complimentary drinks, food and dessert.

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#### FIFTH ANNUAL WOMEN FOR COURAGE LUNCHEON

The Women for Courage Luncheon is an opportunity for both men and women to hear about the mission and initiatives of the Jamie Kimble Foundation for Courage, as well to learn the characteristics and warning signs of intimate partner violence. This year's keynote speaker is Eric Solor, the president and founder of Futures Without Violence. For more information, visit [JDFCF.org/women-for-courage-luncheon](http://JDFCF.org/women-for-courage-luncheon).

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#### CHARLOTTE BLACK FILM FESTIVAL

The sixth annual Charlotte Black Film Festival and the second annual Digital Village Expo will feature one of the Southeast's largest gatherings of multi-cultural content producers, thought-provokers, creative innovators and technologists.

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#### THE SANDBOX SECOND ANNUAL CHARITY GLOBAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Join the Sandbox for its Second Annual Charity Global Golf Tournament.

Breakfast, lunch and afternoon tea will be provided. To learn more information about this shoppable event and to register to play for a good cause, visit [GetSanDBox.org](http://GetSanDBox.org).

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#### FOURTH ANNUAL PINTS FOR PWS CHARLOTTE

The Dick Hechtler Brewery's fourth annual Pints for PWS Charlotte will benefit the LiveWig BARK! Foundation, a nonprofit that strives to educate pet owners on responsible pet ownership. The event will take place in the Dick Hechtler Brewery Bier Garden, and both humans and pets are welcome. There will be pet-focused giveaways, raffle prizes, dog contests, adoptions, a puppy kissing booth and more.

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#### GRAPES, GRAPES AND CONVERSATIONS

The Winery at the Duke Hotel's Grapes, Grapes and Conversations is a professional networking group for solo-preneurs and corporate professionals who also happen to be fans of wine and spirits. The event is held on the third Tuesday of each month beginning at 6:30 p.m.

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#### CHARLOTTE FOOD & WINE WEEKEND

The Charlotte Food & Wine Weekend is a delicious four-day celebration. It will take place all throughout the city at Charlotte's restaurants and event venues and will feature a wide variety of culinary talent and winners. Visit [CharlotteWineAndFood.org](http://CharlotteWineAndFood.org) for more information and to purchase your ticket.

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#### CHARLOTTE BALLER: SPRING WORKS

The Charlotte Baller's Spring Works Highlights the power of human connection through British choreographer David Dawson's Opus 11. There will be three 110 min. shows and one 2 pm. show on April 27. Ticket prices range from \$20 to \$85.

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#### QUEEN'S CUP STEEPLOCHASE

The Queen's Cup Steeplechase is the Southeast's premier social and sporting event. Join the thousands of people who come to see some of the most athletic thoroughbreds compete at speeds of up to 58 miles per hour and, ladies, be sure to wear your best hat, too. The day will also include Jack Russell Terrier races, pony rides for kids, the 31st Annual Hat Walk Party and more!

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#### PET PALOOZA WALK FOR THE ANIMALS

Join the Humane Society of Charlotte for its annual Pet Palooza Walk for the Animals event at noon and support the organization's mission of delivering effective, innovative services that strengthen the human-animal bond and improve the lives of companion animals and the people who care about them. The event will feature a walk along the dog-friendly paths of McAlpine Park, a vendor fair, an adoption area and more!