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The Sebastian – Vail Launches New Artists, Authors & Athletes Program
Inaugural Event Features Denver’s Own BillyYoga

VAIL, Colo. – Dec. 6, 2017 – This winter, The Sebastian-Vail is launching a new program to connect locals and visitors with a series of experts in their chosen field. Artists, Authors & Athletes takes place the first Thursday of the month from December to April with a complimentary reception and presentation from 6-7 p.m. followed by a VIP dinner with the speaker in the Leonora private dining room.

“We wanted to create an event that further enlivens the guest experience at The Sebastian,” said Bryan Austin, general manager of The Sebastian. “We invite guests into our Library for an intimate audience with people who are known for their accomplishments as an artist, author or athlete. We believe this is a great value-added opportunity for our visitors, owners and the local community.”

The inaugural Artists, Authors & Athletes event features yogi Billy Potocnik, whose known as BillyYoga, on Thursday, Dec. 7 from 6-7 p.m. in the Library at The Sebastian. The one-hour reception features the hotel’s popular Sparkle & Pop amenity that includes complimentary prosecco and truffle popcorn. Billy will give a brief 30-40-minute presentation on his journey, practice and philosophy followed by a brief question and answer session.

This month’s VIP dinner following the complimentary reception already is sold out.

Billy’s regimen has been known to radically alter human perspectives. His yoga method demands that students ask difficult questions of themselves and the accompanying physical demands are just as strenuous. However, by combining vigorous asana poses with his own candor, vulnerability and sense of humor, Potocnik has created a style of yoga that is utterly unique.

Confirmed Artists, Authors & Athletes

New York Times best-selling author Larry Olmsted will be at The Sebastian for the Jan. 4 program talking about his book *Real Food, Fake Food*. The book asks the question - what are we really eating? *Real Food, Fake Food* was a bestseller on the *New York Times*, *Wall Street Journal*, *Washington Post* and *National Post* lists as well as a finalist for the GoodReads Best Book in 2016. *People* magazine noted it as one of its “Best New Books” selections for 2016. The magazine also said that *Real Food, Fake Food* is, “Eye-opening. Olmsted’s well-researched exposé reveals how often what we eat isn’t what it seems. (Parmesan cheese made of wood pulp or fake lobster rolls anyone?).”

The Feb. 1 Artists, Authors and Athletes presenter is still being confirmed, however Colorado-based contemporary artist Britten is scheduled for the March 1 program. She'll discuss her process, where she finds inspiration and more. In addition to being an acclaimed artists, Britten is an accomplished public speaker who recently presented at TEDxVail.

Artists, Authors & Athletes takes place December 2017 through April 2018 and will return for a summer series in June. Additional presenters will be announced as they are confirmed.

Reservations to attend the reception are not required, however those who want to attend the intimate, VIP dinner can call 970.306.4640 for a reservation. Only eight seats are available for each of the monthly VIP dinners.

For hotel reservation or more information on The Sebastian-Vail, please call 800.724.6535 or visit www.TheSebastianVail.com.

About The Sebastian - Vail

The Sebastian - Vail – A Timbers Resort and member of Preferred Hotels & Resorts, debuted in January 2011 as Vail Valley's newest boutique hotel and private residence club. Timbers Resorts serves as operator and manager and brings its experience and cachet to this special property, adding its trademark touches to the 84 luxury hotel rooms, 16 executive suites, 7 residential suites and a 36-residence Private Residence Club.

A boutique property brimming with character, The Sebastian - Vail is infused with a strong sense of place while offering a modern sophistication to Vail Village. Highlights include the haute bistro and tapas bar Leonora, the chic and progressive Frost bar, the full-service Bloom Spa and a mountain-view pool with four steaming hot tubs. Base Camp is The Sebastian's year-round slopeside adventure center for ski-in, ski-out access to Vail Mountain in the winter and bike rentals and outdoor activities in the summer. For more information, visit www.TheSebastianVail.com.

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