

## NEW THAI CHIFA RESTAURANT CELEBRATES PERUVIAN AND THAI CULTURE

Family-owned restaurant offers authentic cuisine made by generation-old recipes





(Photo Caption, L-R: Thai "Chifa" is Peruvian for Chinese Restaurant, located at 16005 International Blvd; Pad See Ewe with Tofu, pan-fried wide rice noodles with egg and Thai sweet soy sauce.)

City of SeaTac, Wash. (December 23, 2013) – The City of SeaTac is pleased to welcome Thai Chifa, a specialty Thai and Peruvian restaurant located at 16005 International Blvd.

Operated by Rolando Cabrera, the fusion restaurant offers two distinct menus with a broad selection of Thai and Peruvian influenced dishes. For the Thai menu, guests can choose from an assortment of favorites including Pad Thai and Pad See Ewe noodle dishes, to flavorful Som Tum papaya salad and various sautés of vegetables and fish.

For the Peruvian menu, Thai Chifa offers entrees that embrace the traditional ingredients of corn, potatoes and chili peppers, with flavor influences from Spanish, Chinese, German and African cuisines. Unique offerings include fresh ceviche and rice dishes, as well as the traditional appetizer Papas a la huancaina, a dish of sliced boiled potatoes served cold on a bed of lettuce with a spicy Peruvian cotija cheese sauce.

"We are proud to be serving and celebrating Thai and Peruvian cultures in King County," said Thai Chifa owner Rolando Cabrera "The heart of the City is an ideal location for residents and tourists, and I couldn't be more proud to share my heritage and passions with this unique population."

Rolando's cooking inspirations stemmed from a childhood spend in Peru, where he grew up in his mother's restaurant. From the tender age of nine, Rolando found inspiration from his

mother's unique recipes and cooking styles, which he brought with him when he moved to the United States 13 years ago. At Thai Chifa today, Rolando incorporates those memories into the dishes onto his menu, many of which are from his mother's sacred recipes.

The 1,500 square foot restaurant currently employs seven staff members and features unique décor, with large, hand-woven Peruvian blankets hanging on vibrant orange and yellow walls. That Chifa also offers delivery and catering services, with plans for live monthly concerts on select Saturday nights.

"Diversity has always been a unique and valued quality to our SeaTac community, and we take great pride in the broad selection of restaurants and specialty shops that choose to do business here," said Todd Cutts, city manager. "Thai Chifa is the first of its kind to blend such unique cultures together, and Rolando and his team will not only offer delicious cuisine, but a special, educational experience as well. With its convenient location and late night hours, Thai Chifa will become a great asset for workers and visitors alike."

Thai Chifa is open seven days a week, Monday-Friday from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m., and Saturday-Sunday 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. For more information call (206) 588-0077 or visit <a href="http://thai-chifa.com/">http://thai-chifa.com/</a>.

## **About the City of SeaTac:**

Incorporated in February 1990, the City of SeaTac is located approximately midway between the cities of Seattle and Tacoma. The City of SeaTac is 10 square miles in area and has a population of 27,310. The City of SeaTac is a vibrant community, economically strong, environmentally sensitive, and people-oriented. The City boundaries surround the <a href="Seattle-Tacoma International Airport">Seattle-Tacoma International Airport</a>, (approximately 3 square miles in area) which is owned and operated by the <a href="Port of Seattle">Port of Seattle</a>.

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