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FRESH FARE FOR FICKLE FOODIES

By David Nelson

If you like being the first to try what no one knew, check out these new restaurants opening around the county in the coming weeks and months.
LIBERTY PUBLIC MARKET
With ambitions to rival Pike Place Market in Seattle and the fabled food halls at Harrods in London, this expansive, multi-vendor food emporium in the original building of Point Loma’s former Naval Training Center is the brainchild of David Spatafore of Blue Bridge Hospitality and expected to open in March. Pack an appetite when heading over. libertypublicmarket.com

BUONA FORCHETTA (OPENING IN MARCH)
Will the line! follow Matteo Cattaneo from his South Park original to his new, much larger location? Probably, and not the least because BICE chef Mario Cassinelli is contributing formal entrées to Cattaneo’s irresistible pizzas. buonaforchetta.com

MESS HALL (OPENING IN MARCH)
Blue Bridge chef Tim Polanko envisions the restaurant centerpiece of Liberty Station as a “genuine market-to-table concept,” since most menu ingredients will be sourced from the market’s impressively varied vendors. libertypublicmarket.com

THE LOT (OPENING IN MID-2016)
Liberty Station’s original theater will be repurposed in June as a twin to La Jolla’s The Lot, a nearly life-changing experience that shelters luxurious cinemas, fine dining and deluxe cocktails under one sophisticated roof. thelotla.com

FIRESIDE BY THE PATIO (OPENING IN MARCH)
Chef Antonio Frisella plans family-style and wood-grilled fare for this soon-to-open, neighborhood-centric eatery in Liberty Station’s original firehouse. Gather around the fire pits to chow down and toast s’mores. firesidebythepatio.com

BREAKFAST REPUBLIC (OPENING IN EARLY 2016)
Another Johan Engman contribution to keep San Diego witty and wise, this lively, moto-driven place will pour cocktails all-day long to accompany all-American pancakes and a raft of clever, satisfying breakfast creations. breakfastrepublicca.com