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## 6 new breakfast spots aim to entice early birds

Chefs get creative with dishes ranging from chicken biscuits to horchata chia pudding

Restaurateur Johan Engman has a thing for breakfast.

"I've always enjoyed breakfast," said Engman, founder and co-owner of San Diego-based Rise and Shine Restaurant Group. "There's a big shortage in the breakfast segment. There's a lot more room for fun and creativity."



With two successful locations of Breakfast Republic, a casual spot featuring riffs on classic breakfast dishes, Engman and his team plan to fill the breakfast gap by opening three new locations of Breakfast Republic this year, as well as Northpark Breakfast Company, a contemporary casual restaurant with a healthful bent; and three locations of Eggies, a fast-casual concept fashioned out of shipping containers and intended to capture the overflow from busy Breakfast Republic locations with a menu of deconstructed breakfast favorites served in mason jars.

Engman is among a number of restaurateurs who love breakfast and are betting that diners do, too. Below is a roundup of some notable breakfast restaurant openings.