

WINE ON STAGE

FINE WINE AND LIVE BANDS AT CITY WINERY



Chicago's newest rock venue isn't a seedy den of cheap booze and questionable smells. It's a sparkling palace of vintage champagne, hibiscus-glazed cornish hen, and Lewis Black.

Meet **City Winery**, the West Loop's newest home for **live rock, fine food, and enough wine for 100 Roseanne Barr toasts.**

Opening Wednesday with a **five-night run from comic Lewis Black**, CW wants you to get your laughs in between sips of Louis 13th cognac and saffron and rock shrimp risotto balls.

Live shows range from **90's pop star Matthew Sweet** (Sept 20-21) to **local indie darlings The Sea & Cake** (Oct 29). The other show is that wine list, with more than 400 global producers (including 20 in-house wines and 14 wines on tap).

And yes, there's really a **250-strong French oak barrel room** (ask for a tour).

As if that weren't enough, they're also offering **winemaking classes, rare craft beers like Monty Python's Holy Grail**, and a special event pairing the music of The Rolling Stones with wine (Sept 10).

Did wine just go grunge on us, or did rock go classy on us?

City Winery

opening Wednesday

1200 W. Randolph St., (at Racine), West Loop

(312) 733-9463

citywinery.com/chicago

Price: 3 (of 4)

Subway: Green, Pink Line to Morgan

Scene: Lovers of fine wine paired with live music

Best bets: Cornish hen; saffron and rock shrimp risotto balls; angus sliders

Hot seat: Snag a ground floor table near the stage

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