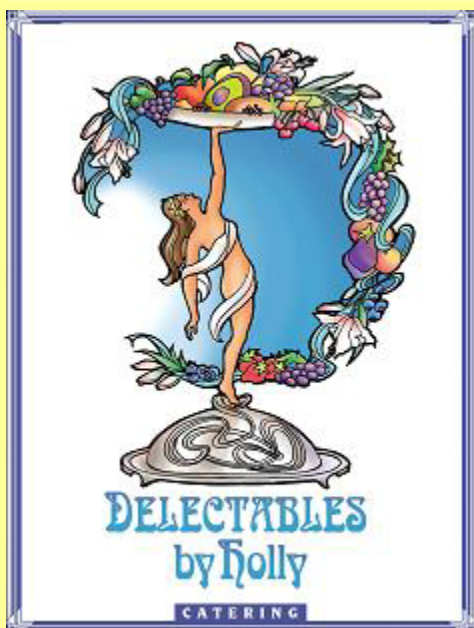


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Hello friends,

I am happy and feeling good right now. Why? Because it's hands-down my favorite time of year. And, October is my favorite month. Not just because it's my birthday month (I'm certainly not longing to get older) but because the weather is cool and crisp, the leaves are changing, it's busy here at work, it's football season...just everything. I've always felt hopeful during the Fall months. Anticipatory...like something great is about to happen.

Speaking of anticipation, we are anticipating a great holiday season. I realize some of you haven't even begun to think about the upcoming festivities. For us here at Delectables by Holly, we've been talking Thanksgiving and beyond for awhile now. It will be the 9th year for our "No Stress Thanksgiving Express". Whether you've been with us for the entire nine years or are thinking about giving us a try for the first time, this will be good food. You can order just one thing or everything on the menu. I thank you in advance for considering us and look forward to your call.

On a personal note, we loaded our vans on October 3rd and headed to Greenville, South Carolina. My best friend Stephanie Benbenek and her husband Scott were throwing a big bash to bless their new home and to celebrate with friends and family the imminent release of Stephanie's book. Stephanie has written this book about the tragic and untimely death of her only child (my godchild) four years ago and her ongoing journey through grief. For those of you who know me well, you know this event has been a pivotal point in my own life and has forever changed things in ways too numerous and difficult to explain. Her book is entitled, "Keeping Clarke" and is due to be released any day now. I can't begin to put into words how proud I am of her and for her and how inspired I am by her courage and her inspirational message of hope. If you are dealing with grief or just want to read a beautiful story about a mother and her son, go buy this book. It's a must read.

Last, but certainly not least, we at Delectables by Holly want to send our friend Pat Viser at the Mint Museum of Art our best wishes for a happy and well-deserved retirement. Thank you Pat for everything you have done for us. We'll be at the Mint Museum to help celebrate with Pat and friends on Friday, November 6th.

Call us if we can do anything for you or help with your entertaining needs.

Have a fabulous Fall,

Holly McLelland

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experience the easiest and most delicious Thanksgiving ever - place your order now!

Our "No Stress Thanksgiving Express" menu makes having a drama-free holiday meal as simple as 1 - 2 - 3!

Step 1: Go to delectablesbyholly.com to [download the menu](#).

Step 2: Make your menu selections. Here's a taste of what's on the menu:

- Corn Chowder with Butternut Squash
- Sweet Potato Soufflé
- Honey Glazed Gingered Dill Carrots
- Sage Scented Turkey Gravy
- Spiced Pumpkin and Walnut Biscuits
- Triple Layered Pumpkin Pie
- Signature Bread Pudding with Caramel Sauce

Step 3: Call 704.342.4800 to place your order by Friday, November 20. Remember, we do sell out so please place your orders early.

Then, all you need to do is sit back, relax and enjoy the big meal! Let us do all the work. We will provide a guaranteed way to enjoy a delicious Turkey Day without all the fuss. Experience a foolproof holiday feast and forget about all the grocery shopping, cooking and hard work.



Inventive ideas for fabulous theme parties

According to Catersource Magazine, theme parties are making a comeback in a major way. Looking to create an elaborate motif that will stand out? Delectables by Holly specializes in creating unique experiences for special theme parties including fun 70's and 80's retro parties. We provide a custom designed menu combined with creative decor and attention to every last detail. Call us at 704.342.4800 to start planning a memorable theme event.



looking for the perfect recipe for your holiday celebration? let us plan your party!

The holidays will be here before you know it. This year, don't settle for the same-old, cookie-cutter type of party. Let the event specialist team at Delectables by Holly create a unique experience that will get your guests talking. We can do it all - the menu, venue selection, decor and any other detail you desire. We can work with any budget and any number of guests. We promise to exceed your expectations. Give us a call at 704.342.4800 to start the planning process.



featured event: The Founders' Circle at The Mint Museum of Craft + Design



It was another beautiful event at the Mint Museum of Craft + Design and Delectables by Holly was excited to be a part of it! On October 2, The Mint Museum Craft + Design held a special event to promote the group's mission. The Founders' Circle partners with The Mint Museum of Craft + Design to promote appreciation of contemporary craft and design. The event showcased the venue beautifully. With cocktail tables interspersed within the actual art exhibits and the food stations scattered throughout the levels, guests mingled while enjoying a variety of heavy hors d'oeuvres. The menu consisted of many of our most-requested signature items including our award-winning seared sashimi grade ahi tuna along with our peppered pear and goat cheese canapé (a must-have at every cocktail party). To incorporate the flavors of autumn, we served a delicious corn and sweet potato chowder in addition to a flank steak platter, horseradish and orange encrusted salmon fillets and a variety of seasonal roasted vegetables. To end the evening on a sweet note, pumpkin cheesecake, truffles, miniature apple tarts and pecan pie bites were served. It was an incredible evening. Thank you to everyone involved and we appreciate being a part of the event for the second year in a row.

featured venue: The Mint Museum of Craft + Design

The Mint Museum of Craft + Design is a unique venue in which to host your special event. Wedding receptions, rehearsal dinners, corporate events and seminars all come to life in this creative atmosphere. The Mint Museum of Craft + Design is located in the heart of uptown Charlotte boasting a dramatic rooftop terrace overlooking the city.

Delectables by Holly has catered many fabulous events at this venue and is proud to be a preferred caterer at the MMC+D. We have the experience and success-record to assure that each event at this exquisite venue is flawless. We have truly enjoyed having the opportunity to work with Dean Jordan, the museum's Special Events Manager, and the entire staff who are always extremely helpful, professional and willing to go the extra mile to make every event a work of art.

For more information on rentals at the Mint Museum of Craft + Design, go to www.mintmuseum.org.



hot news headlines...

We did it again! Delectables by Holly is proud to be the winner of the [Bride's Book 2009 Readers Choice Award](#). Thanks to everyone who voted.

Thank you to Phillip Broome from Charlotte Hospitality News for including an article written by Holly McLelland in the September issue. The article titled "[Assembling All the Ingredients for a Great Celebration--From a Caterer's Perspective](#)" provided a behind the scenes look at the planning process for the August NACE event.

Delectables by Holly is excited to be a Featured Event Professional on Charlotte's #1 website for wedding planning, TheSavvyBride.com. Instantly view [our video](#) online and meet Holly McLelland, owner of Delectables by Holly.



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