## PIANO PIANO

#### THE RESTAURANT

#### SUMMER / FALL | **2021**

PIANO PIANO VA LONTANO

#### TRANSLATION (ITALIAN > ENGLISH)

SLOWLY SLOWLY WE GO FURTHER



SPLENDIDO KITCHEN, c2012 | PHOTO: Documentographer

A LOVE STORY FROM SPLENDIDO > PIANO PIANO

It was a dream to own a restaurant like Splendido. I first started at Splendido in 2005, as an assistant pastry chef working under Chef David Lee. In July 2009 I fulfilled my dream of owning the renowned restaurant, at the young age of 26. December 31st, 2015 was our last service and it felt amazing to leave on a high and I am extremely proud of that. We've created so many memories here and we are looking forward to writing a new chapter at Piano Piano. I love everything about Italian food and we wanted to create a space where people felt like they were dining in my home, after all this is our second home. When people ask me what region of Italy we are cooking, I joke with them... *New Jersey*. The food of Piano Piano is soulfully satisfying, tending to your hunger like a Nonna's instinctive touch. Every ingredient is on the plate for a reason, combining to make each dish far greater than the sum of its parts. It's "tasty & f\*#kn delicious!". The name Piano Piano comes from "*piano piano va lontano*", an Italian phrase I love that translates to "*slowly, slowly we go further*". And that's the dream... that if we slow down, take time to enjoy one another, great food and great wine then we all move together further as a family. Piano Piano is the Italian restaurant you always wished was just around the corner, and now it is.

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VICTOR BARRY

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# FOOD / CIBO

## SPUNTINO \$12

**Olives & Macona Almonds** *Tarelli, Garlic, Citrus, Chili* 

**Whipped Ricotta** Focaccia, Chili, Sunflower Seeds, Rosemary

**Calamari** *Chili Garlic Aioli* 

Shrimp Cocktail Salad Shrimp, Marie Rose, Iceberg Lettuce

Salmon Crudo Olive Oil, Lemon, Red Onion, Capers

## VICTOR BARRY & BRENDAN PIUNNO

"We always knew how to throw kick-ass dinner parties for the neighbours!"

Vic met Brendan growing up in Niagara-on-the-Lake and they have always shared the same passion for "*Tasty & f\*#kn* delicious!" food and hospitality. Together they have over forty years experience in the restaurant industry and PIANO PIANO is the first time they will have re-united after their famous McNab dinner parties. They always joked that one day they would work together again and throw dinner parties every night and now they do just that!



#### BRENDAN & VIC c1998 | PHOTO Mom

## APPETIZERS / ANTIPASTI \$19

2. What are the two top selling spices in the world?

**Chopped Salad** 

Salami, Olives, Onions, Pickled Cucumbers, Chickpeas, Crisp Polenta, Brussel Sprouts, Feta Baby Gem Caesar Salad Bacon, Croutons, White Anchovy, Caesar Dressing, Chive, Parmigiano

1. Who was the legendary Benedictine Monk who invented champagne?

Burrata Alla Campangnolo Roasted Grapes, Garlic, Maldon Salt, Chili, Focaccia **Prosciutto Crudo** *Roasted Grapes, Balsamic di Modena, Brown Butter, Parmigiano, Chive* 

or the main course of a meal, to stimulate one's appetite.

A small dish of food before a meal,

Spicy Manilla Clams On Toast 'nduja, Focaccia, Parsley, Lemon, Olive Oil, Garlic, Basil

### PIANO PIANO AT HOME

PICK UP IS AVAILABLE THROUGH OUR WEBSITE PIANOPIANOTHERESTAURANT.COM/TAKEOUT

DELIVERY IS AVAILABLE THROUGH UBEREATS

TRIVIA/ CURIOSITA

For answer cards please ask your server. 4. What nation produces two thirds of the world's vanilla?
5. What is the literal meaning of the Italian word linguine?
6. Where did the pineapple plant originate?
7. What is the only essential vitamin not found in the white potato?
8. What is the most widely eaten fish in the world?

3. What animals milk is used to make authentic Italian mozzarella cheese?





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## PIZZA / PIZZA / \$24

Ask anyone and they will tell you that Victor's favourite food is pizza! Ask him what he really thinks and he will tell you quite frankly that he "Has never met a PIZZA he has never liked!!!"



The Mediterranean Tomato, Garlic, Black Olives, Red Onions, Oregano, Chilis, Pecorino, Sicilian Anchovy

**The People's Champ** Tomato, Parmigiano, Prosciutto, Arugula, Olive Oil **The Spicy Sicilian** Fior di Latte, Tomato, 'nduja, Red Onion, Oregano, Parmigiano **The Hot Rod** Fior di Latte, Tomato, Pepperoni, Chili, Fennel **The Fun Guy** Roasted Mushrooms, Onions, Ricotta, Garlic, Arugula, Parmigiano

**The Sweet Hornet** *Fior di Latte, Spicy Soppressata, Black Olives, Dru's Hot Honey* 

#### \$26 If someone ever tells you that you put too much parmigiano on your pasta, stop talking to them. PASTA / MACARONI You don't need that kind of negativity in your life! SIDES / <sup>s</sup>12 | MAIN COURSE / **Mushroom Cavatelli** CARNE E PESCE CONTORNI Truffle Scented Oyster Mushroom, Parmigiano **Brussels Fritti** Canestri alla Vodka Garlic, Chili, **Bone-In Veal Parmesan Roasted Sea Bass** Tomato, Chili, Spicy 'Nduja, Parmigiano Parmigiano, Lemon Fior di Latte, Tomato, Olive Oil New Potato. *Coriander Mint Parsley* Spicy Soppressata, Basil, Salsa Verde Olive Oil, Parmigiano **Rigatoni alla Amatriciana** Insalata della Casa 28 34 Tomato, Chili, Pancetta, Parmigiano Bibb Lettuce, Fresh Herbs, Pecorino, Red Onions **Egg Yolk Ravioli** Olive Oil, Red Wine Vinegar **Grilled Octopus Grilled Hanger Steak** Spinach, Ricotta, Brown Butter, Parmigiano Almond Romesco, Potato, Eggplant & Zucchini Herb Salad, Red Onion, Caponata, Herb Salad **Potato Supremo** Dandelion Greens, Crispy Potatoes, **Tortelli Con Bolognese** Garlic, Olive Oil Chili Garlic Aioli Parmigiano Tomato, Beef, Brown Butter, Parmigiano 32 Feta, Pickled Jalapeno 32 DESSERT / ICE CREAM NUTELLA LEMON CHOCOLATE CARAMEL CARROT CAKE Please ask your TIRAMISU CHEESECAKE **BANANA BUDINO** Ginger Anglaise, Vanilla Ice Cream DOLCE server for our daily *Coffee, Cocoa,* Vanilla Lemon Curd, Caramelized Banana, Cream Cheese, selection! Mascarpone, Chocolate Crumble, Maldon Salt, Rum Raisins, Nutella Salted Caramel Graham Cracker Vanilla Whipped Cream 9 12 12 12 19

GLUTEN & DAIRY FREE OPTIONS AVAILABLE PLEASE ASK YOUR SERVER

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DRIN	KS /	BEVANDE
	WINE	/ VINO
	RED / ROSSO	O WHITE / BIANCO
	49 / FORTY NINE	E / QUARANTANOVE
Montepulciano d'Abruzzo 2019 Lupi Reali – Abruzzo, Italy		Riesling 2015 Kew Vineyards 'Old Vine' – Beamsville, Ontario
2016 PIANO PIANO X Tawse Winery Beamsville, Ontario PIANO PIA		E / CINQUANTANOVEPinot GrisIANO X TAWSE2017 PIANO PIANO X Tawse Winery Beamsville, Ontariowines and "Tasty and F*#kn delicious" food5 oz. Glass / \$12
	69 / SIXTY NINE	E / SESSANTANOVE
Valpolicella 2019 Begali Lorenzo Classico – Veneto, Italy 5 oz. Glass / \$14 Primitivo 2018 Feudi di San Gregorio – Campania, Italy Sangiovese 2019 Corteonesi Lèonus – Tuscany, Italy Pinot Noir 2019 Hidden Bench 'Bistro' – Beamsville, Ontario Barbera 2018 Punset 'NEH!' – Piedmont, Italy		Sauvignon Blanc 2020 Antmoore – Marlborough, New Zealand 5 oz. Glass / \$14 Pecorino 2020 Jasci Pecorino d'Abruzzo – Abruzzo, Italy Trebbiano 2020 Tiberio 'Trebbiano D'Abruzzo' – Abruzzo Italy Soave 2020 PRA 'Otto' – Veneto, Italy
	89 / EIGHTY NIN	NE / OTTANTANOVE
Cabernet Sauvignon 2018 Foxglove – Paso Robles, California 5 oz. Glass / \$18 Nebbiolo 2018 Abrigo Fratelli – Piedmonte, Italy Dolcetto 2018 Azelia Dolcetto Bricco dell'Oriolo – Piedmont, Italy Sangiovese 2018 Le Ragnaie 'Troncone' – Tuscany, Italy Etna Rosso 2018 Nicosia 'Vulkà' – Sicily, Italy		Chardonnay 2015 Pearl Morissette 'Métis Blanc' – Jordan, Ontario 5 oz. Glass / \$18 Arneis 2018 Azienda Agricola Chiesa Carlo Roero Arneis – Piedmonte, Italy Sauvignon Blanc 2019 G.D. Vajra 'Dragon Bianco' – Piedmonte, Italy Vermentino 2019 Valdonica 'Mersino' – Tuscany, Italy
FOR A S	SELECTION OF OUR FINER WINE	ES / PLEASE ASK US FOR A RESERVE LIST
Tarlant 'Brut Reserve' –	a Civranetta Brut – Veneto, Italy <b>69   5 oz. Glass / \$1</b> Champagne, France <b>130</b> rut' – Champagne, France <b>170</b>	14       ROSE / ROSA       Grenache 2020 Le Ballon – Provence, France 59       5 oz. Glass / \$16         Montepulciano 2020 Tiberio Cerasuolo d'Abruzzo - Abruzzo, France 69
COCKTAILS / \$16 NEGRONI PREZZEMOLO 3 02. PIANO PIANO SPRITZ 3 02.		BEVERAGES / BEVANDE
		ACQUA   DOLOMIA (sparkling)   DOLOMIA (still) 7 ZERO PROOF   Crodino Spritz 8 Stappi Spritz 8 CAFFÈ   Espresso 4 / Latte & Cappuccino 5
Italian Parslet & Black Pepper Infused Beefeater Gin, Cocchi Rosa, Campari, Orange Zest	ter Gin, Cocchi Rosa, ri, Orange Zest BOUNCEBACK 3 oz. so, Amaro Montenegro, on, Kahlua IAN TROTTER 3 oz. Trace, Cynar, Fruit & Lemon Juice, St. Germain, Prosecco, Sparkling Lemon Juice PAID VACATION 3 oz. Rosemary Infused Havana Club, Amaro Montenegro, Affino, Pineapple & Lemon Juice, BASILICO MEZCALDO 3 oz. Basil Infused Olmeca Altos, Affino Apertivo, Casamigos Mezcal, Lime Goose	BEER / BIRRA
<b>THE BOUNCEBACK 3 oz.</b> Espresso, Amaro Montenegro, Jameson, Kahlua		BOTTLES AND CANS         Stella Artois 8       West Avenue Heritage Dry Cider (Tall Can) 9         Michelob Ultra 7       Burdock Brewery Tuesday 8
<b>ITALIAN TROTTER 3 02.</b> Buffalo Trace, Cynar, Grapefruit & Lemon Juice, Ginger Beer, Mint, Lemon		Mill Street Organic 8 Hoegaarden 8 Goose Island IPA 9 (Tall Can) Blood Brother Blood Light 8 Bench Brewing Saison 20 (750 ml)
TRIVIA ANSWERS         1. Dom Perignon       2. Pepper & Nutmeg       3.Buffalo       4.Mada,         5.Little Tongues       6.Guadeloupe       7.Vitamin A       8.Herring		CY SLOWLY WE GO FURTHER       GRATUITY (18)         Jount Pleasant Road   120 Thomas Street       May be added to groups of 6 or model