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## TASTE OF BELGIUM NAMED NEW WEXNER CENTER CAFÉ OPERATOR

**Taste of Belgium** begins offering full service today as the Wexner Center café's new operator. For this new venture, Taste of Belgium has created a European-inspired, scratch-made menu of sandwiches, salads, soups, and sweet and savory crêpes for the Wex. And of course Taste of Belgium at the Wex will offer its famous handmade Liège-style waffles, which can be ordered plain or with such toppings as chocolate, fruit, and cream, and "rancheros"-style with chorizo and salsa. (Bags of waffles can also be purchased to go.) Also on the menu are additional scratch-made pastries, including French macarons, and a full array of handcrafted coffee and espresso drinks, teas, and smoothies and other non-coffee drinks (including the "Chaidier"—chai and apple cider—and the "Bumble Bee" with steamed milk, vanilla, and local honey).

Full menu: <http://www.wexarts.org/cafe>

**Current hours** for the 100-seat, counter-service café are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, with future plans for special events in the evenings. Prices range from \$3 to \$11, and a \$5 lunch special will be offered daily. The café, located in the lower lobby, also has free wi-fi.

This marks Taste of Belgium's third permanent location, joining the North Market in downtown Columbus and Findlay Market in Cincinnati. Taste of Belgium has also participated in The Market on 15<sup>th</sup> & High farmers' market on the Wexner Center Plaza on Thursday evenings, as well as other special events on the plaza. Taste of Belgium also baked waffles at the Wex for an event relating to the exhibition featuring the work of Belgian artist Luc Tuymans last fall.

"We are delighted to join forces with the innovative team behind Taste of Belgium to offer Wex patrons a high-quality meal or snack with delectable taste and international flair," says Wexner Center Director Sherri Geldin. "We consider this a wonderful collaboration between two unique brands, each of which enhances the other. Bound to become a favorite among students, faculty and staff at Ohio State, it will also be a welcome amenity for our many visitors from throughout Columbus, across the country, and beyond."

Notes Taste of Belgium owner Jean-François Flechet, who grew up near Liège, Belgium, "We are excited to be at the Wexner Center and already feel at home there. We're looking forward to building a relationship with the staff and patrons of the Wexner Center. Notably, we will offer a broader menu than at our first two locations, and that menu will change seasonally. We also offer a full array of espresso-based drinks for the full coffeeshop experience."

More info and the café menu: <http://www.wexarts.org/cafe>. Taste of Belgium will also be the preferred caterer for the Wexner Center, and will offer catering services on campus. The café's phone number is 614-292-2233.

Taste of Belgium at the Wexner Center replaces Cam's on Campus, which was run by Cameron Mitchell Catering Co.