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IN THE GLASS-WRAPPED WESTFIELD TOPANGA MALL EXPANSION, 'TOPANGA SOCIAL' IS A HIT

With 27 eateries, pop-ups, bars and a cocktail garden, Topanga Social also boasts a secret "speakeasy" arcade

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Fat Sal's is part of the Westfield Topanga expansion on Thursday, June 22, 2023, included the AMC Theater, Topanga Social and shops. (Photos by Dean Musgrove, Los Angeles Daily News/SCNG)

Welcome to Topanga Social, the hot new eatery district built inside the upscale Westfield Topanga mall in Canoga Park that brags of 27 eateries, bars and culinary offerings. Upon its opening on May 11, Topanga Social offered in San Fernando Valley the first-ever outposts of hot L.A. pop-ups, as well as popular entrepreneurs from the area's restaurant scene, an indoor/outdoor cocktail garden, three bars, a "speakeasy" style secret arcade and live entertainment.

Kim Brewer, senior vice president of development at Unibail-Rodamco-Westfield, says of URW's joint venture with dining and hospitality global leader Earl Enterprises, "Nothing like this exists in the Valley and we're sitting in one of the best food scenes in the world. Because of this,

it's no surprise that customers have expressed how thrilled they are that they no longer have to drive to L.A. to experience world-class food offerings.”

She adds, “We’ve brought in something truly so unique in an effort to keep people in the community they live in, and so far the feedback has been overwhelmingly positive. From families to foodies, there is always a consistent flow of customers Monday through Sunday, regardless of the time of the day, so we could not be happier.”

Topanga Social’s 27 food and drink offerings can be found in a 55,000 sq. ft. indoor district that contains 700 dining seats and 80 outdoor seats near the AMC Dine-In Topanga that opened a year ago. Topanga Social’s vast space was designed by award-winning firm AvroKO, and international architects PGAL designed the individual eateries and bars. The “shared kitchen space” was created by [AO](#).

Shortly before Topanga Social opened, Robert Earl, founder of Earl Enterprises, said, “It is such a thrill to see Topanga Social come to life in this brilliant re-purposing of prime real estate. We have brought together an incredible assemblage of talent, chefs, and brands that, until now, were available mostly in Los Angeles, but (as of opening day), are easily accessible for the residents of the city’s San Fernando Valley.”

The developers boast that its “first-of-its-kind multifaceted food service platform” sets Topanga Social apart from the pack in tech innovation, offering traditional ordering but also letting diners use the Topanga Social app to pick menu items from multiple sources all at once, using “seamless aggregate ordering.” The app uses advanced geo-locating to ensure that “food is not fired in the kitchens until guests and delivery drivers are within a precise proximity to Topanga Social or the order’s destination” according to the developers.

Brewer says that in hearing feedback from people drawn to Topanga Social, “It’s been great seeing the look on customers’ faces when they realize that not only are all their favorite dining destinations in one spot, but they’re also easily accessible to the San Fernando community for one of the first times ever. Nothing like this exists in the Valley and we’re sitting in one of the best food scenes in the world.”

The Topanga Social’s 27 offerings include:

Amboy Quality Burgers, Burrata House, a candy shop curated by CandyStore.com, Dtown Pizzeria, Dumpling Monster, Fat Sal’s, Garden Creations, Hey Hey, I Love Micheladas, Jay Bird’s Chicken, Katsu Sando, Mad Lab Coffee, ManEatingPlant, Margarita Garden, Mini Kabob,

Oakberry, Pearl Champagne Bar, Poke Me, Primo's Donuts, Rock & Reilly's, Temaki by Seaweed Handroll Bar, Shrimp Daddy, SLAB, The Pie Room by Curtis Stone, Tail O' the Pup, Truffle Brothers Market, and Wanderlust Creamery.













