

Van Aken On Track



A rendering of the new Chagrin Boulevard façade of Shaker Plaza.

CHEF Jonathon Sawyer is in the House

RMS Investment Corporation has announced that James Beard Award-winning chef Jonathon Sawyer will partner with them as a tenant and curator of food experiences in the Van Aken District.

Sawyer will open his fourth Cleveland-area restaurant in the District and will oversee the tenant mix in the remaining space at the newly named Orman Building, the 22,000 square-foot food and retail marketplace (formerly called the Food Hall), which will be the soul of the new District.

The Orman name is a nod to the Van Sweringen brothers, Oris and Mantis, the original developers of Shaker Heights.

Sawyer and RMS are finalizing negotiations with a thoughtfully assembled tenant roster that will complement already-named tenants such as Shinola Detroit, Mitchell's Ice Cream, Rising Star Coffee Roasters, Restore Cold Pressed, and Luna Crepes, as well as Sawyer's restaurant. Some will be part of the Orman Building; others will be in locations throughout the District.

"As a proud Clevelander deeply invested in the growth of our city, being a part of Van Aken and its vision for the community is a thrilling prospect," said Sawyer. "We'll soon be announcing a host of great, award-winning local and national chefs coming to Van Aken. We're building something really special that will continue to establish Cleveland as one of the up-and-coming food cities in the country."

So prepare your palates, Shakerites, foodie heaven is on its way.

STORES are Open at Shaker Plaza

Stop by to patronize the many long-standing businesses that have relocated and welcome new businesses to the Plaza and to Shaker Heights: China Star, Donatos, D.O. Summers, Frames Unlimited, Le Nails, Marc Anthoni Spa (**NEW**), New Balance (**NEW**), Pearl Asian Kitchen (formerly Pearl of the Orient), Qdoba, Shaker Wines, Subway, and Walgreens.

SPACE Available

RMS is actively seeking a tenant for the impressive 8,100 square-foot space on the western end of the plaza, which features soaring 25-foot ceilings, large windows, and ample parking.

On the Chagrin Boulevard side, an additional 3,100 square feet, divided into separate spaces, is available. The reconfigured space will have a new façade to enhance the streetscape along that corridor.

Interested in locating your business there, or know someone who might be? Contact Jason Fenton at jfenton@rmscorporations.com. **SL**

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