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## ★ GIANT NATIONAL CAPITAL BARBECUE BATTLE ★

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### **The Giant Barbecue Battle of the Bands**

**Washington, D.C. (March 29, 2017)** – The 25th Annual Giant National Capital Barbecue Battle, coming up this June 24th and 25th, will transform Historic Pennsylvania Avenue into a festival site full of amazing sights, sounds and aromas for all to enjoy. In addition to all the delicious BBQ, plentiful free food samples, high stakes competitive cooking contests and cooking demonstrations by celebrity chefs, the Barbecue Battle features a lineup of 30 great bands playing Rock, Reggae, Jazz, R&B, Blues and DC's own spicy Go-Go music.

To celebrate the event's 25th Anniversary, this year's Giant BBQ Battle features "Best of the Battle Bands" including high energy crowd-pleasers like New Orleans-based Cowboy Mouth, and, by popular demand, DC's favorite Go-Go bands with The Chuck Brown Band, EU featuring Sugarbear, Trouble Funk, Be'la Dona and many more. The flavor changes on multiple stages all weekend long with more local favorites like jazz icon Marcus Johnson, The Muddy Crows, Marcus Mitchell's sax styling and more great bands on the Pepsi Sound Stage and the Famous Dave's Music Stage. To compliment all the great music, food, and fun, enjoy free wine samples in the Barefoot Beach Wine tent and your favorite libations in the Heineken Beverage Gardens.

This year's Giant BBQ Battle will take place on both Pennsylvania Avenue and Constitution Ave, NW, between 3rd and 7th Streets. The event has received numerous awards and titles over the years including being named "One of Five Can't Miss Summer Festivals in the Country" by CNN, a "Top 10 BBQ Event" by the Travel Channel, "One of America's Best BBQ Competitions" by Saveur Magazine, and "An Event Worth Traveling to" by the American Bus Association. This year's Giant Barbecue Battle is heating up to be the biggest & best yet, so block off the weekend of June 24th and 25th and prepare the whole family for DC's Favorite Festival of feasting & fun!

**For more information, photos, and event details, visit [www.BBQinDC.com](http://www.BBQinDC.com), or contact John Corsaut, BBQ Battle Media Relations/Liquified Creative by [email](mailto:email) or by calling 443-949-9284, x5. Stay informed of the latest BBQ Event updates by following the BBQ Battle on Twitter, Facebook, and Instagram @bbqindc.**

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