

On the menu

The Culinary Historians will present Jim Heimann speaking on "American Menu Design" at the downtown Los Angeles Public Library on Feb. 11. This talk, based on a sampling from Heimann's collection of more than 5,000 menus, will focus on the graphic appeal of the menu and the history of American eating habits for more than a century. A reception will follow the talk. Heimann's books include the recently published "Menu Design in America." The L.A. native has worked as a graphic designer and illustrator, and is executive editor of Taschen Publishing America and a faculty member of Art Center College of Design, Pasadena. Free. 10:30 a.m. Mark Taper Auditorium, Central Library, 630 W. 5th St., Los Angeles. www.chscsite.org.

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