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Italian restaurant relocating to larger Newbury Street space

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Papa Razzi restaurant's Dartmouth Street location (left) will soon be moving around the corner to replace the now closed Bouchée restaurant on Newbury Street (right).

By Matt Rocheleau, Town Correspondent

After 21 years at its Dartmouth Street location, Italian restaurant Papa Razzi will move to Newbury Street into the former Bouchée restaurant location, which closed Monday.

“It’s an opportunity for us to bring Papa Razzi into a fresh new environment,” said Amy Daniels, spokeswoman for the Back Bay Area Restaurant Group.

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Papa Razzi will close its Dartmouth Street doors on Sept. 16 and open in the larger, two-level Newbury Street location with new furniture, paint, and art on Sept. 20. In addition to more space, Daniels said, the new location's larger street frontage was also an appealing aspect when deciding to relocate.

The restaurant will also feature an expanded menu, including signature dishes from the French restaurant Bouchée, which is a concept of restaurant group.

Bouchée had been at 159 Newbury St. for four years and had seen consistent growth, according to Daniels, however Papa Razzi's Dartmouth Street lease was ending and the restaurant had been looking to move. The restaurant group is looking for a spot in the Back Bay area to possibly reopen Bouchée, she said.

The flagship Papa Razzi Trattoria & Bar opened at 271 Dartmouth St. 1990 and has since expanded to 11 other locations.

Connecticut-based Mexican restaurant Lolita Cocina and Tequila Bar will take over the original Dartmouth Street Papa Razzi, Daniels said.

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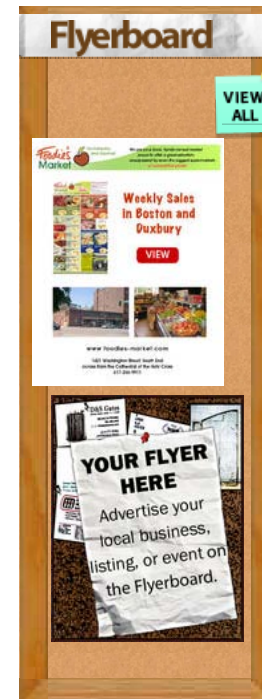


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