

best of eugene

2009-2010

How's your year been, Eugene? Have you had some good eats? Done some good shopping? Maybe you've seen a couple of great shows or picked up an outstanding local record; maybe you've discovered a great place to donate a few bucks now and then. We hope you have – and we hope you want to tell us about it. Welcome to *Eugene Weekly's* Best of Eugene 2009! Once again, it's your opinion that counts as we tally up the votes for what's the best of the best in our little burg. Please remember that this is the best of EUGENE; if you vote for non-local folks (or businesses based outside of Oregon), those votes won't be counted. But we're pretty sure you can find something local to vote for in the more than 70 categories below. So get started! Fill out this page or head to www.bestofeugene.com and cast your vote there.

civic pride

Best local uproar

Person of the year (and why)

Best local politician

Best public space (indoor or outdoor)

Best green cause

Best animal-oriented nonprofit

Best human-oriented nonprofit

Best environmentally friendly business

sex, drugs and rock & roll

Best band

Best solo musical artist

Best musician

Best vocalist

Best locally released album

Best bar

Best bartender

Best happy hour or drink specials

Best locally brewed beer (brewery AND style)

Best house drink

Best winery

Best selection of beer on tap

Best live music venue

Best hangover breakfast

Best naughty business

Best body art & mod shop

Best regular event night at a bar (trivia, theme nights, etc.)

Best place to go dancing

Best place for a date night out

Best place to meet someone you'd never take home to Mom

eat your heart out

Best coffee

Best American cuisine

Best burger

Best bakery/sweets

Best locally baked bread

Best breakfast

Best pizza

Best veggie options

Best BBQ

Best steak

Best Mexican/Latin American/Caribbean

Best Thai

Best sushi

Best Asian that's not Thai or sushi

Best Italian/Greek/Mediterranean

Best late-night dining (table service after 10 pm)

Best food cart

Best recession special (under \$5)

Best special occasion dining

Best out-of-town restaurant

Best new restaurant

Best restaurant

dollars & sense

Best bike shop/repair

Best outdoors/recreation store

Best independent bookstore

Best entertainment shop (CDs, DVDs, games, hobbies, etc.)

Best boutique/clothing store

Best pet-related business

Best downtown business

Best personal indulgence provider (spa, massage, salon, etc.)

Best new business

creative endeavors

Best blog

Best writer

Best performing arts group (dance, theater, etc.)

Best artist

Best art gallery

Best art event

the kitchen sink

Best all-ages hangout

Best moment in local sports (Aug. '08-Aug. '09)

Favorite roller derby player

Best local TV news personality

Best radio show or radio DJ

Best way to improve Eugene

Best thing about EW

Worst thing about EW

Best category we should've included (and who'd win it)

deadline: All ballots must be received by **11:59 PM SUNDAY, SEPT. 27!** Mail or drop off ballots at *Eugene Weekly*, 1251 Lincoln St., Eugene, OR 97401

YOUR BALLOT CANNOT BE COUNTED WITHOUT THE FOLLOWING INFO (NO SPAMMO):

name:

phone:

VOTE ONLINE AT WWW.BESTOFEUGENE.COM!



PRINT YOUR ANSWERS CLEARLY (WE CAN'T COUNT 'EM IF WE CAN'T READ 'EM.) YOU MUST VOTE IN AT LEAST 10 CATEGORIES. PLEASE KEEP YOUR ANSWERS LOCAL. ONLY ONE BALLOT PER PERSON! BALLOT STUFFING IS BAD KARMA – BALLOTS MAY NOT BE COLLECTED AND SUBMITTED EN MASSE BY INDIVIDUALS OR BUSINESSES.