The Hot List
10 places everyone's talking about (in order of heat)

KATANA The dress code at this stylish Hollywood-import robata and sushi spot says no beachwear or flip-flops. Good thing it's October. 339 N. Dearborn St.

BONCI PIZZERIA Why did pizza maestro Gabriele Bonci choose Chicago for his first venture outside Italy? "It is very similar to Rome," he says. 361 N. Sargent St.

STEAK 48 Upping the ante on Chicago's steakhouse roulette: Glassed-in booths next to an open kitchen. 615 N. Wabash Ave.

BARRIO Tacos, guac, and churros for some; oysters and rib-eye for others; funky cocktails and a DJ for everyone. 65 W. Kinzie St.

CITY MOUSE The guys behind Giant bring their playful American haute cuisine to the Ace Hotel. Caviar shooters, anyone? 311 N. M organ St.

WAYDOWN Those who want more hang time at the Ace Hotel go up seven floors to the ironically named rooftop bar for sherry-centric cocktails. 311 N. Morgan St.

STEINGOLD’S OF CHICAGO Thanks to this new deli, North Center has the heros for hot pastrami. 1840 W. Irving Park Rd.

BENIHANA The original teppanyaki cooking show moves into splashy new digs on the Mag Mile. 855 N. Michigan Ave.

DOS TOROS With 13 Mission-style burrito joints in NYC, the Kramer brothers try their luck in the Loop. 1 N. Dearborn St.

HONEYGROW West Loop health seekers had been feeling a bit neglected until this pressed-juice, stir-fry, and salad mecca came along. 119 N. Morgan St.

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