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THURSDAY OPENING REPORT

Thelewala, Asia Dog, Vie de France, More Now Open

Thursday, April 7, 2011, by [Amanda Kludt](#)

1) West Village: Shiva Natarajan's **Thelewala** is now open on Macdougall, Grub Street [reports](#). Thelewala specializes "The Famous Nizami Rolls," and her other projects include Chola, Dhaba, Bhojan, Tadka, and Little Thai Kitchen. **Status:** Certified open; 112 MacDougal Street, 212-614-9100.



2) Lower East Side: Bowery Boogie [brings word](#) that **Vie De France** is now open on Orchard Street after a brief delay. The menu offers breakfast all day, salads, sandwiches, galettes and crepes. **Status:** Certified open; 96 Orchard Street, (212) 466-2966.

3) Bushwick: Slice has [some news](#) on the new **Verde Coal Oven Pizza**, which recently opened deep in Bushwick. They have 11 pizzas on the menu, as well as cookies, breads and biscotti. **Status:** Certified open; 254 Irving Avenue, Bushwick, Brooklyn, (718) 381-8800.

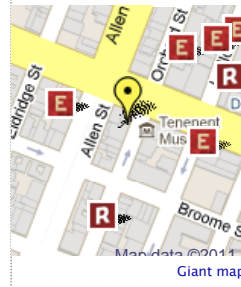
4) Financial District: A tipster spread the news of **Pita Press**, which just opened on Cedar Street. They reportedly have great and fresh options for vegetarians and vegans. The owner of Pita Press also owns Koyzina Kafe and owned Koyzina Grill. **Status:** Certified open; 25 Cedar Street, (212) 344-9737.

5) Nolita: A tipster reports and Grub Street [confirms](#) that **Asia Dog** the pop-up hot dog concept has opened their permanent digs at 66 Kenmare near Mott. They're serving up a slew of hot dogs plus "Korean yam fries with spicy ketchup, wasabi potato salad, and a green salad with sesame-tangerine dressing." After their official opening on Monday, they'll serve daily specials. **Status:** Soft open; 66 Kenmare St., (212) 226-8861.

6) Kips Bay: Tipsters also report on a new gelateria and cafe in Kips Bay called **Mia**, which opened in the old **Tease** space. They offer gelato, coffee, and mi amores. Mia is apparently pretty big in Israel. They plan to stay open into the wee hours and at night they spike some of their gelato flavors **Status:** Certified open; 379 3rd Avenue, (212) 889-8727.

—Jackie Goldstein
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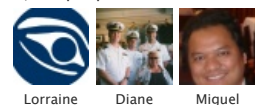
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