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For immediate release.

SASA Japanese Izakaya and Asian Bistro located at 13120 Shaker Square, is pleased to present a very special culinary event Tuesday July 22, 2008. SASA will welcome noted sake expert John Gauntner, who will guide diners through a unique gourmet dinner.

The dinner, priced at \$100.00, will feature a seven course dinner prepared by Chef/Owner Scott Kim. Each course will be complimented by a specially selected sake from SASA's extensive sake list. Mr Gauntner will be on hand to discuss the sake selections.

John Gauntner, who was born in Shaker Heights, went on to move to Japan, and become one of the foremost sake experts in the world. A longtime Japan resident, he both speaks and reads Japanese, and is well known among sake brewers and others within the sake industry as the window to making sake popular outside of Japan.

Known as "The Sake Guy," John has been quoted and/or mentioned in sake related articles in countless publications including The New York Times, Newsweek, Forbes, Business Week, and Rolling Stone. He has spoken at Harvard, Yale, and Columbia Universities, Wharton School of Business, and countless other venues across the US and Japan.

This event will begin with a reception at 6:00pm. Dinner will be served from 7:00pm to 9:00pm. Live music by Evelyn Wright will follow in the lounge area.

John Gauntner will be available for media interviews from 6:00pm to 7:00pm. To confirm media requests, please contact Steve Cooper at 216-767-1111.

SASA is proud to feature Northeast Ohio's most comprehensive sake program, with over forty five sakes offered by the bottle and glass, as well as retail sales.

For any questions regarding the dinner, or SASA's sake program, the restaurant can be contacted at 216-767-1111.