

New Steakhouse Union Common Planned for Midtown Retail Space in Nashville



This rendering shows what the Union Common restaurant planned at Broadway and Division would look like. / Photo courtesy of Anthony Marlow and LDN Interiors

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A group of Louisville, Ky.-based restaurateurs is bringing a new concept, Union Common, to more than 4,000 square feet of space next to Two Boots Pizza at Hill Center Broadway.

The opening, in May, would mark the first foray outside of Louisville for DC Management. “It’s no secret that Nashville is a growing, thriving market,” said partner Brett Davis. “We feel excited about the culinary trends there and want to be a part of that community.”

With Union Common signed, the retail center being developed by Hill Realty Co. at Broadway and Division St. at the former home of the Great Escape collectibles store is now fully leased.

Davis dubbed Union Common a different twist on a steakhouse, reflecting the culture of the millennial generation.

For example, he said, “When people gather for dinner, it should be this communal sharing of not just food and drinks, but conversation.”

Bobby Benjamin, who worked locally at Flyte and the posh Governors Club in Brentwood, is developing the menu for Union Common that will include steaks and seafood. He also is a partner in Union Common along with Davis, a master sommelier; brothers Steven and Michael Ton; and Chip Hamm, a lawyer.

The partners, excluding Benjamin, also own the Southern-style Doc Crow's and La Coop: Bistro à Vins in Louisville. The Tons also own the Vietnamese-themed Basa Restaurant.

Union Common will have entrances from Broadway and Division at the Hill Center Broadway in Midtown. Food will be served in smaller plate sizes for sharing, Davis said.

He said the Union Common name was chosen for the concept because it conveys people coming together and sharing.