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Who Lives? Who Dies? Who Tells Your Story?
Stephen Sondheim, Questlove & Ron Chernow
on Lin-Manuel Miranda's Groundbreaking Musical 'Hamilton'

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A Cultural Compendium



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Farm to Table

Why do the simplest Italian ingredients — ripe tomatoes, sharp pecorino, a splash of fruity olive oil — taste so sublime? It has something to do with where you're eating them, but mostly it's the location where they're made. Until recently, savoring the spoils grown and prepared at Fattoria La Violla meant having to make a trip to the 3,000-acre organic, biodynamic family farm and winery in Tuscany, where visitors can buy from the shop or stay in one of the 23 rental villas and dine al fresco under the olive trees. But now, all that deliciously authentic cheese and fresh pasta can be delivered directly to customers in the U.S. and Europe — so that you can think globally, and eat locally. laviolla.it — LINDSEY TRAMUTA

NOW BOOKING

A Royal Escape

While splashy business hotels continue to sprout up around Kyoto's bustling core, a low-slung gem on the city's western outskirts transports guests to a time when samurai, not suits, roamed the town. Built on the site of a 13th-century imperial villa and designed in the style of the Edo era, the newly opened Suiran abuts a historic Zen temple, and offers access to the area's sprawling bamboo grove. The inn has 39 opulent rooms — nearly half of them with private outdoor hot-spring baths — and a pair of restaurants serving fresh, local seafood. *From \$460 a night, starwoodhotels.com* — JEFF OLOIZIA



Contributors to 'Both Sides of Sunset,' a new photography book that captures Los Angeles in all its gritty grandeur, explain why their images encapsulate the magic of the city.

JOSEF HOFLEHNER
"ANA 777, LAX," 2010

"Whenever I fly into LAX, my first stop is always the In-N-Out Burger just next to the airport. There's nothing like enjoying a double-double while watching the jets coming in."



ALEX ISRAEL
"Valet Parking (Partial View)," 2013
"L.A. is all about finding a good parking spot."



MICHAEL BUTLER
"Rodeo Drive #10," 2013
"You have the freedom to be who you want to be — glamour and illusion are core values here."

KATY GRANNAN
"Anonymous, Los Angeles," 2008-9
"The sun reveals these ghosts, people left with nothing but aspiration and delusion who thought it would be different here. But reality is crueler and far lovelier." artbook.com

