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Cuppa Tea, Anyone?

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Customers who miss the Cuppa Tea Co. shop on Morris Street in the Fan will have an opportunity Saturday to sip Cuppa's tea, accompanied by light pastries, during a Fall Tea Tasting at Henrico County's [Walkerton Tavern](#) (2892 Mountain Road, 261-6898). The event, which costs \$6 and runs from 2 to 4 p.m., features four tea varieties: Shenandoah, Venezia, coconut almond and caramel crème brûlée. And if you miss this one, a Holiday Tea Tasting is planned for Dec. 19 from 2 to 4 p.m., also at Walkerton Tavern, featuring flavors such as Belgian cocoa, mint and Mayan chocolate.

When the tearoom closed several months ago, co-owner Lurline Wagner said she planned to continue online sales and catering and hoped to teach a class through the University of Richmond's School of Continuing Studies. As promised, a class titled "Experience the Essence of Tea" is being offered Nov. 19 and Dec. 10, from 6 to 8 p.m. either day, for \$79 per session. The course offers information about the origin and production of tea, brewing demonstrations, opportunities for tasting and sample teas to take home.

In addition, there will be a free Tea Tasting 101 class on Dec. 5, from 3 to 4 p.m., at [Dumbarton Library](#) (6800 Staples Mill Road, 262-6507). Participants should call to register and bring their own teacups.

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