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On his journalism career, Seftel did graduate work in American and Middle Eastern history at the University of California, Berkeley. He later taught there, as well as at Antioch University in Los Angeles. His fascination with food began in New York City, where the Big Apple's ethnic cuisines and fine-dining opportunities expanded both his childhood waistline and culinary horizons. Extensive traveling broadened those horizons: he spent five years abroad, first as a Peace Corps volunteer in Africa, and later as an English teacher in pre-revolutionary Iran. He can't definitively say what his favorite food is. But he does believe that without bread and cheese, life has no meaning.

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10 Intriguing Restaurants Still to Come in 2013/14

Fall isn't exactly in the air. Nevertheless, the calendar says that September is right around the corner.

So the town is gearing up for the arrival of many new restaurants, which want to be fully operational before the all-important tourist season gets underway.

Here are 10 of the most promising newcomers.

September

T. Cook's

No, it's not strictly "new." But T. Cook's has been completely refurbished, and there's a new chef (Paul McCabe) and new menu.

Details: Royal Palms Resort and Spa, 5200 E. Camelback Road, Phoenix, 602-808-0766, royalpalmsresortandspa.com.

October

Quiessence

This lovely spot is now in the hands of Dustin Christofolo, whose mother Pat owns The Farm at South Mountain. The farm-to-table philosophy remains intact, but the Christofolos say the restaurant will be less "special occasion" and more "approachable" and "affordable."

Details: The Farm at South Mountain, 6106 S. 32nd St., Phoenix, 602-276-0601, quiessencerestaurant.com.

November

Slanted Rice Vietnamese Bistro

Hue Tran, half the sister act behind central Phoenix's Rice Paper Eatery, is teaming up with fiancé Tyrone Chu to open what she describes as a combination between edgy Rice Paper and Saigon Kitchen, her family's traditional Vietnamese restaurant in Surprise.

Details: Shops at Hilton Village, 6149 N. Scottsdale Road, Scottsdale.

Sumo Maya

Get ready for Japanese-Mexican fare. German Osio, owner of two Italian restaurants, Local Bistro and Central Bistro, will be offering sushi, a wok station, noodles and ceviche.

Details: 6560 N. Scottsdale Road, Scottsdale.

December

Fork & Torque

Michael O'Dowd (Renegade by MOD) is creating a smokehouse menu in this "casual, diner-style restaurant," part of a sprawling, seven-acre complex that will also be home to a 5,000-seat concert venue, clothing store and motorcycle dealership.

Details: Curry Road and McClintock Drive, Tempe.

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