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100 Windy City-area brides rave about the “wonderful” flexibility, careful listening, and close attention to detail from Artistic Events. “The food was excellent, there was plenty of it, and it was plated beautifully and creatively,” says one bride. “I can’t recommend Carlyn Berghoff’s enough,” agrees another. *CarlynBerghoffCatering.com*; (312) 408-0200

BLUE PLATE CATERING, Chicago

94-4 Blue Plate will “give your day the perfect flavor.” You “will not go wrong with their award-winning chefs,” and their staff will “take care of every detail.” Their exceptional food and full-service event planners keep loyal customers coming back for all their catering needs. *BluePlateChicago.com*; (312) 421-6666

LEVY EVENTS CATERING, Chicago
95-6 With over 28 years of experience under their belt, Levy’s offers “truly exceptional” food and detail-oriented service. “Our cocktail reception was elegant, the dinner presentation was unique and the food was yummy.” “Staff was so nice.” *LevyEventsCatering.com*; (312) 421-5389

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MyChef.com; (630) 717-1167

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WolfgangPuckCatering.com; (312) 397-3872

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CranksCatering.com; (586) 582-0080

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EpochEvents.com; (248) 735-7222

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KoschSoundsGood.com; (248) 608-0690

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PapajoesMarket.com; (248) 723-9400

RATTLESNAKE CLUB, Detroit
RattlesnakeClub.com; (313) 567-4400

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CLASSIC CATERING, Minneapolis
87-8 Classic Catering has been helping brides in the Twin Cities area for more than 20 years—and providing fantastic results. You “won’t have to worry about a thing” if you hire these pros, and you’ll receive “great quality for the price.” “Everything I asked for I got!” “You will not be disappointed!” *ClassicCateringMN.com*; (612) 869-0642

D’AMICO CATERING, Minneapolis

87-3 An “ambitious and inspiring” take on cuisine, D’Amico Catering shines with incredible food, pristine presentation, and outstanding service. They strive to make each client feel like a guest at their own wedding. “People still talk about how great the food was!” *DAmicoCatering.com*; (612) 238-4444

LANCER CATERING, Eagan
88-9 Lancer Catering, with “superb” service and food, receives high recom-

mendations. One pleased bride reports, “So many people told me that it was the best meal they had ever been served at a wedding.” *LancerCatering.com*; (651) 290-9864

KRAEMER’S CATERING, Burnsville
KraemersCatering.com; (952) 890-1584

Wisconsin

BARTOLOTTA CATERING COMPANY & EVENTS, Milwaukee
BartolottaCatering.com; (414) 765-8610

CHEF JACK’S, Waukesha

99-3 Wisconsin brides call Chef Jack’s “fun to work with, reliable and super attentive.” They’ll handle everything from preplanning and day-of, to settling any post-event details. You won’t have to worry about a thing even with unique requests. “We had many vegans at our wedding and Jack’s was very open to special menu requests.” *Chefjacks.com*; (262) 549-5558

ELLEN ZILLI’S CATERING, Waukesha
EllensCatering.com; (262) 547-9447

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Illinois

AN URBAN AFFAIR, Chicago

90-4 This planning and coordinating company specializes in chic, classy Chicagoland weddings. “She was able to handle everything well and if there were hitches, I didn’t know about it.” “I couldn’t have done it without her.” *AnUrbanAffair.net*; (312) 944-9090

DEJANAE EVENTS, Calumet City
DejanaeEvents.com; 708-790-9940

ENGAGING EVENTS BY ALI, Chicago

92-3 For creative and personalized assistance with your wedding day plans, count on Engaging Events by Ali. “We hired only for day-of services, but it was the absolute best money we spent on the entire wedding.” “She took care of everything, even things I didn’t know we needed.” *EngagingEventsbyAli.com*; (773) 777-2299

FRANK EVENT DESIGN, Chicago
FrankEventDesign.com; (773) 275-6804

TYING THE KNOT, Hinsdale
TyingtheKnot.biz; (630) 794-0825

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GerychsGraziella.com; (248) 723-5640

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SARATOGA WEDDINGS, Roseville
SaratogaWeddings.com; (651) 699-4146

THE STYLE LABORATORY, Minneapolis
96-3 With the professionals at The

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If you have guests who are traveling with children, consider having certified babysitters on hand to take care of the little ones during the ceremony and reception. You may even want to host a children’s party simultaneously with the reception, complete with magicians, face painting, and balloon artists.

Style Laboratory, every tiny detail will be taken care of with elegant sophistication. “I didn’t have to worry about anything from lip gloss to cake!” “She really took the time to get to know me and my style, and turned my wed-

ding into the most fantastic event.” *StyleLaboratory.com*; (612) 825-4705

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