

My Favorite Spot

John Thompson III, the sisters behind Georgetown Cupcake, and four more local experts dish on the neighborhood's best bets

By Sophie Gilbert

SISTERS *Sophie LaMontagne and Katherine Kallinis own Georgetown Cupcake (1209 Potomac St., NW), a bakery that draws long lines and sells 3,000 to 5,000 cupcakes a day.*

We're here all day every day, so we pretty much live in sweats. Luckily, **Lululemon Athletica** (3265 M St., NW; 202-333-1738) is just around the corner. They have free yoga classes every Sunday in a gorgeous space on the second floor.

We go to the **Erwin Gomez Salon & Spa** (1519 Wisconsin Ave., NW; 202-333-7290) when we need to get our hair done. It's fantastic—Oprah goes there when she's in town.

For dinner, we love **Bourbon Steak** (2800 Pennsylvania Ave., NW; 202-944-2026). We don't get out much, so when we do, we like to make the most of it. The bar has a great lounge area that is perfect for drinks. We like the martinis and kir royales.

On an ideal day, we'd have brunch at **Peacock Cafe** (3251 Prospect St., NW; 202-625-2740). The salads are really good, and they have great brunch selections.

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The nice thing about Georgetown is that everything is close by and it has a real neighborhood charm. **Georgetown Wine and Spirits** (2701 P St., NW; 202-338-5500) is a friendly wine shop. They have regular tastings and events, and they pay attention to what you buy so they can make recommendations.

Morgan Care Pharmacy (3001 P St., NW; 202-337-4100) is an old-fashioned chemist's shop. It looks like a little old store, but it has a very efficient pharmacy. You get to know the people working



■ Sisters Katherine Kallinis and Sophie LaMontagne of Georgetown Cupcake at their favorite salon with owner Erwin Gomez and hairstylist Rudy Rodriguez.

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Let's Go to Georgetown

One of Washington's historic neighborhoods, Georgetown has memorable restaurants, one-of-a-kind shops, and loads of charm