

## Onex leases 600 s/f at Sky View Center, Queens

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Taiwanese tea brand Coco Fresh Tea & Juice has opened its newest teashop at Sky View Center, the 800,000 s/f, multi-level regional mall in downtown Flushing. The 600 s/f teashop compliments its sister location on Main St. "The debut of the popular Coco Fresh Tea & Juice at Sky View Center brings even more choices to the mall in a neighborhood that continues to attract a variety of national and international food and beverage chains," said Michael Dana, president of Onex Real Estate Partners, owner/developer of Sky View Center.

"Situated among some of the nation's most recognizable retail stores, Coco Tea brings another signature specialty brand to the residents of Sky View Parc and the community of Flushing."

Coco Fresh Tea & Juice is located near the entrance of Sky View Center at the intersection of College Point Boulevard and Roosevelt Avenue, and is currently offering a promotion for buy one, get one free Bubble Milk Tea. Customers also have the added convenience of three-hours of free parking in the nearby parking garage.

"We wanted to expand our presence to another key location with significant exposure and consistent flow of foot traffic," said Ching Fu, Lin, president of Coco Fresh Tea & Juice. "Sky View Center provided an ideal space for our new location."

Coco Fresh Tea & Juice joins an expanding roster of national tenants including the 36,000 s/f specialty Asian supermarket Sky Foods, as well as Five Guys Burger & Fries, Famous Footwear, Neighborhood Grill & Bar, Target (including a Starbucks and Pizza Hut Express), Bed Bath & Beyond, Best Buy, BJ's Wholesale Club, Bob's Discount Furniture, Chuck E. Cheese's, Marshall's, Old Navy, Payless Shoesource, and Hershey's Ice Cream. Chase Bank is anticipated to open a location at the mall in spring 2012.

Founded in 1997, Coco Fresh Tea & Juice is a leader in freshly-prepared teas and offers a savory assortment of teas and juices, as well as its signature made-to-order bubble tea (tapioca milk tea). The Taiwanese tea brand has grown to over 600 stores worldwide, with current locations in Taiwan, China, Canada, Macau, Singapore, Hong Kong, and New York. Coco Fresh Tea & Juice plans to open additional stores in New York City, as well as New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Los Angeles, and San Francisco, with nearly 800 teashops in total through their international expansion. With the opening of its second location at Sky View Center, the chain currently has three other locations in New York City including 39-22 Main St. in Flushing and 459 Lexington Ave. and 38 Lexington Ave. in Midtown Manhattan.

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