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The Hottest Restaurants in Chicago Right Now, May 2019

Another long-awaited Chicago spring is finally, hopefully here as the calendar flips to May, bringing more of the year's most anticipated new restaurants with it. The latest Heatmap update has three additions: a pretty New York import in River North, a bustling new Filipino restaurant in Wicker Park, and the first Chicago location of the Wahlberg family burger chain. Meanwhile, three entries are also removed: Cuban-Filipino hotspot **Bayan Ko** comes off after a very long stint, the cocktail wizardry at **Kumiko** does too but remains on the **Bar Heatmap**, and **Eggoholic's** heat dies down. Happy eating.



6. Machine: Engineered Dining & Drink



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This sleek new Wicker Park restaurant, bar, and flower shop is intriguing patrons with creative food and cocktails on Division Street. From the owners of arcade bar mini-chain Headquarters Beercade, **Machine** is an Instagrammer's delight thanks to an eye-catching space, dishes like foie gras-topped burgers, interactive cocktails, and flowers for sale. It's open for brunch already too.