

The Peale, Baltimore

Out of the Blocks Storytelling Series

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Speaker 1:

Yes, crispy spring roll. Awesome here. Tofu. Pad Kra Pao, We make it here everyday. Excellent choice, good choice. Lots of vegetables. So to go along with that, the yellow or the red or the Panang and they come medium spice is good, or you need... Medium's good. Okay. Lots of water. Yes. lots of water coming up.

Oh, The Thai restaurant is our name and address is 3316 Green Mount Avenue. This restaurant been here for 30 years and we have lots of regular customers.

Speaker 2:

So what was this block like when you got here 30 years ago, how was it different then than it is today?

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Speaker 1:

Oh, before it was very, very good. I mean everything, we have the stadium up there and always busy here, but after the stadium move. Everything go down a little bit, but you know, the Thai restaurant, try to hold them up.

Vegetable spring roll, enjoy, and I come right back

You know, most of American people they ask me, what's the difference between the red or the yellow or the green or the Panang? The thing is different flavor, different vegetable. You have to see what you like, and then everything you can turn up and we can turn down.

Speaker 2:

So I need to come here four times, don't I?

Speaker 1:

You need to come here every day. I born in Bangkok, Thailand, and we came to the states in the seventies.

Speaker 2:

What brought you here?

Speaker 1:

Study, you know, school.

Speaker 2:

What did you want to study?

Speaker 1:

I usually my degree is computer science, but I'm in, you know, work in the restaurant because you know, when you come here to study, it's a lot of money to get involved. So, you know, we go working also and, you know, study same time. And you know, when you do this and that, and you could add it and then, you know, you know, but change, you know, so you just go on and go on.

How's everything? You enjoy? Oh, you sweat a little bit. So it's mean good sign, you know that. Would you like some homemade dessert, fresh mango with the sticky rice? If you go Thailand every corner of the street, you will see, they sell the sticky rice with Mango, a lot of good food in Thailand everywhere.

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Speaker 3:

Thanks bill.

Speaker 1:

Thank you so much guys, enjoy your day.

Speaker 4:

You too.

Speaker 1:

See you next week.