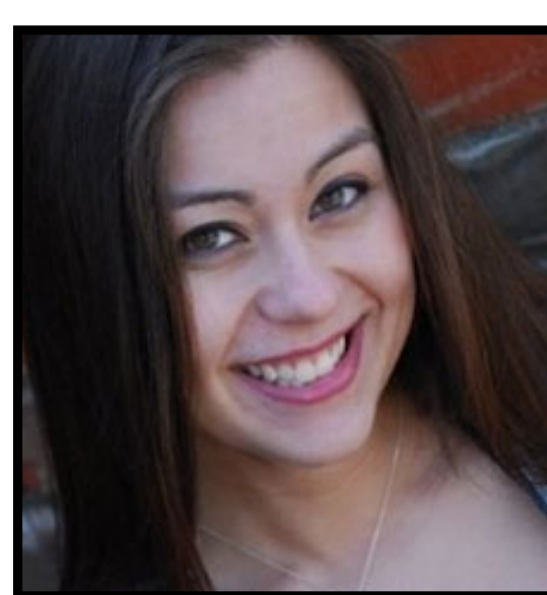


Fresh, Fabulous Chinese Food: Kin Lin gets the Win

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Location: 314 E 51ST
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Price range: \$5-\$10

“Chinese food is art,” the owner of Kin Lin Chinese Restaurant told me as I was sampling several of their dishes. She could not be more accurate about the delicious food served by this family owned business. They should know what they’re doing after having been open for 20 years. Not only was everything I tasted wonderful, it was pretty to look at too; true art.

Kin Lin can be found at 314 E. 51st St., just a few blocks from the Plaza. Because of its convenient location, it is frequented by all kinds of people, especially UMKC students. Kin Lin’s patrons come back so often that the staff knows them by name and has even watched their children grow to adulthood. Many of the customers even call the owner “mom”. I have never felt more welcome as a new comer in a place of business. Though the space is relatively small, it is a pleasant and laid back atmosphere, never seeming cramped. They have a beautiful leather menu with photos and items written in both English and Chinese.

The menu is not the only thing that caters to people of both the American and Chinese cultures. Kin Lin features foods that range from traditional dishes served in China to the more Americanized Chinese food that a lot of us are used to. There is something for everyone at Kin Lin, whether you be a vegetarian, not a fan of spicy foods, or just a picky eater. Every dish can also be custom made for you if you would prefer a sweeter sauce or a different kind of spice. The chefs hold themselves to the highest of standards and guarantee satisfaction. All of their food is made fresh; nothing comes from a can or out of a freezer and you can really taste the difference.

As I headed out the door with my to-go boxes (I wanted to share the wonderful food with my family) I said goodbye and assured them that they would be seeing me again very soon. Make sure that you go and visit Kin Lin and I guarantee you will become a regular.



**Just one of many fabulous
dishes at Kin Lin**