

Ballin' on a Budget

What's a Jewess to do when she and her hubby cannot afford the \$225/per person ticket price for the Whole Foods tasting room at the South Beach Food & Wine Festival!?!? She cases the joint until she spots enough celebrity chefs to feel like her job here is done. And that, folks, is exactly how the husband and I spent this week's Sunday Funday. Forget the fact that we couldn't really eat half the stuff that's in there (eating kosher in the house and vegetarian outside of the house), but \$225 per person is money out of the honeymoon pot (someday) so that wasn't happening. So instead, my sweet, patient husband walked around and around and around the pretty white Food Network tents until we saw something good. . . and I mean good. The first chef we saw was Emeril Legasse. Nice. He was doing his thing at one of the main events so we caught a glimpse and heard a few things he had to share (being 5'10" and 6'1" has its advantages—namely we can see over the chain link fence so we could actually see and hear everything that was going on in the main tent). But, I have to say, the most exciting point of the day was spotting one of our favorite Top Chef contestants—Fabio. Oh Fabio, how you make us laugh, make us cry, make us want to move to Italy and live off the land. He was totally by himself, just checking out the joint and luckily, I hadn't had my Sunday Funday margarita yet cause for sure, you could have counted on me jumping up and down yelling, "Fabio!! Fabio!!! Over here!! HI!!!!". Instead, I played it as cool as I could (I mean, lucky for him, we were on the commoner side of the chain link fence) while pulling on my husband's hand and not so calmly telling him, "It's Fabio. FABI0." He tried to get a picture but it didn't really turn out. Regardless, it was awesome and totally the icing on the ballin' sundae. Well, that and the two for one margaritas we ended up getting across the street as consolation prizes to ourselves for not being able to actually attend the festival. Happy Sunday Funday!!



Sneaking a peak of Emeril. Shalom Emeril!



Happy just having the opportunity to be near the Food festival!



I couldn't get a press pass in via the Jewhungry blog. It's as if they've never heard of us!? WHAT?!