

**Helio Basin Brewing Company**  
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## **New Brewery Coming Soon to Phoenix**

The Valley's highly anticipated, new craft brewery is getting ready to begin construction on its 8,200 sq. ft. site at the corner of 40<sup>th</sup> Street and Thomas. After quietly, but furiously, working the last few months getting all of their plans and designs finalized with highly regarded local architecture firm (Archicon Architecture & Interiors L.C.), the founders decided to make the announcement of their plans official just before the start of AZ Craft Beer Week.

Helio Basin Brewing Company (HBBC) was founded by two friends of almost 15 years, Dustin Hazer and Mike Conley. Dustin has been brewing professionally for almost 10 years, spending a few of those years at Four Peaks in Tempe and most recently as the Brewmaster for one of the largest breweries in the country, Southern Tier Brewing Co. (Lakewood, NY) for the last four years. Mike Conley is a former Marine Corps officer and MBA graduate of the W.P. Carey School of Business at ASU. He has spent time working with a couple of very successful startup breweries before committing to starting HBBC with Hazer. As for the name? Helio Basin is a name the duo came up with after a lot of pondering. Conley describes the name as, "Helio is play on the Greek word for 'Sun' and Basin is a catch-all or Valley, which we felt was a nice fit for a Phoenix based brewery."

HBBC will have a 15 barrel brewing system on site that will be visible to customers and will craft, keg and serve their beer at the facility. They plan to have 6 standard offerings at all times, primarily American Style Ales, as well as rotating seasonal and specialty offerings to look forward to. "Quality is our primary focus, top to bottom. Dedication to the quality and consistency of the beer, the food, the service and the atmosphere are all top tier priorities at Helio Basin Brewing," states Hazer.

In keeping with the concentration on quality, the kitchen will also be held to a high standard. Head Chef Tamara Stanger decided to join HBBC after working in the Valley for several years, most recently at The Henry in Scottsdale. Her menu will be purposely and uniquely concise, yet distinctive, which allows her to focus on freshness and variation with the seasons.

There will be plenty of space in the 135 seat facility, with everything from large social tables for those seeking a more communal experience, high tops for date nights and more traditional tables for those who want a nice quiet table to enjoy their hand crafted food and beer. HBBC will also feature a large space next to the brewing area, which will be available to convert for private parties and charitable events.

Members of the team will be making a presence at the Arizona Strong Beer Festival on Saturday February 13th, so be sure to look for them and get to know them! Also, check out their website [www.HelioBasinBrewing.com](http://www.HelioBasinBrewing.com) where you can learn more about the team, the beer styles to be revealed, follow their social media sites and see updates on the construction project. Construction is being done by well-known and well respected Tempe, Arizona based general contractor, Caliente Construction. The build out is slated to take 12 weeks, so stay up to date with their progress on their website and social media pages.