



The James Beard Foundation Launch its Fall 2025 Legacy Network Application Period and Informational Webinar

Established nearly 40 years ago, the James Beard Foundation (JBF) is leading chefs and the broader culinary industry towards a new standard of excellence.

We believe in a vibrant, equitable, and sustainable independent restaurant industry that stands as a cornerstone of American culture, economy, and community - and drives towards a better food system.

Applications for the **Fall 2025 Legacy Network program** are open **April 14th** until **May 11th, 11:59 P.M. E.T.** [The James Beard Foundation Legacy Network](#) trains emerging leaders across the culinary industry and connects them with future generations of excellence. Over the course of 12 weeks (September 8 to December 9, 2025), People of Color (POC) advisors and advisees pair up for mentorship through facilitated industry-specific leadership coaching.

To access the application and new program details, [APPLY NOW](#).

Join us virtually to learn about the Fall 2025 Legacy Network program and application process, with JBF Staff and Legacy Network alum on **Wednesday, April 23rd @12:00 P.M. E.T.** [REGISTRATION LINK](#)

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Sincerely,

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