Hello Prospective restaurateurs, Once again we are planning for our Chicago Chefs Hall of Fame induction ceremony for a new group of talented Chefs and industry leaders. We would love your restaurant to participate this year if you are available. This is a great event to one help us honor the new inductees and our past ones as well. But it's also great to have you show your best in front the public and a host of industry leaders, This year help us honor some of the greatest Women of our industry here in Chicago.

- Exec Chef Sarah Grueneberg Chef of the year
- Pastry Chef Meg Galus Pastry Chef of the Year
- Exec Chef Ina Pinkney Legendary Chef
- Mary Kay Bonoma Industry Leader of the Year

This year our event will be held at <u>Joe's Live</u>: in Rosemont on Monday March 30<sup>th</sup>. We are projecting an attendance of 300 to 400 attendees, and we are asking you would like to participate and feature your restaurant or business. Participants would prepare 250 tasting portions or one or two of their favorite or signature dishes they would like to feature. As we move closer to the event date, we will be able to give you a better idea of our expected attendance. We will also need to know what you plan to serve so that we can promote this on our websites and social media and also let the attendees know.

The venue will provide two tables for each restaurant, one for preparation and one for serving. We invite you to bring decorations, business cards and menus to adorn your table. We will also have a culinary student to assist you in the preparation and serving of your items. Once I have your confirmation I will be asking you for electric needs ect. for your booth. Arrival for restaurants will be any time after 2pm event starts at 6pm and ends at 9pm.

In closing, I want to thank you again for your support and anticipating participation. We firmly believe that Chicago is the finest hospitality industry in the US, and we are excited to promote fine chefs and restaurants like yours, so that Chicago may continue to lead the country as a dining destination.

To confirm your participation, please sign confirmation letter attached and e-mail me letting me know that you are in for the event at your earliest convenience so we can hold a table spot for you. Once we receive your confirm I will send out more information.

Below you will find more information on the venue, time, address and other important details. I thank you for your time and hope this finds you in a great spot for the New Year.

Induction Ceremony and Event on Monday night March 30th 2020, at Joe's Live in Rosemont at 6:00 PM (Chicago, IL) – The Chicago Culinary Museum and Chefs Hall of Fame [thechicagoculinarymuseum.org], under the umbrella of the American Culinary Federation Chicago Chefs [ccpchicagoland.org], is pleased to announce its thirteenth event with the induction of four inspirational women in the Chicago hospitality industry.

The following women will be honored for 2019 class: Chef Sarah Grueneberg as Chef of the Year, Chef Meg Galus as Pastry Chef of the Year, and Chef Ina Pinkney as Legendary Chef, and Mary Kay Bonoma as Industry Leader. The induction ceremony and event, open to the public, will take place at Joe's Live located at 5441 Park Place in Rosemont, Illinois on March 30th Monday night. This event will not only honor the inductees; it will also promote and celebrate Chicago's culinary preeminence and raise funds for scholarships for student chefs. After the induction ceremony, the evening will feature a wandering feast prepared by top local restaurants, and current and past inductees will attend. Tickets are now on sale for \$75 per person. Purchase tickets at www.thechicagoculinarymuseum.org.

Previous inductees into the Chefs Hall of Fame include the late Chef Charlie Trotter in 2006, Chef Jimmy Bannos in 2007, Chef Rick Bayless in 2008, Chef Carrie Nahabedian in 2009, Chef Art Smith in 2010, Chef Priscilla Satkoff in 2011, Chef Graham Elliot with Chef Jacquy Pfeiffer in 2012, Chef Paul Kahan, Chef Alain Roby, Richard Melman, Chef Hans Aeschbacher, the late Chef Jean Banchet, and the late Chef Louis Szathmary in 2013, Chef Stephanie Izard, Chef Gale Gand, Chef Michael Kornick, Phil Stefani, and Larry Levy in 2014, and Chef Tony Mantuano, Chef Judy Contino, Chef J. Joho, Georges "Kiki" Cuisance, Steve Lombardo, and Hugo Ralli in 2015, Chef Fabio Viviani, Chef Sébastien Canonne, Chef Pierre Pollin, Jim Kallas, and Charlie Mok in 2017, Chef John Hogan, Chef Mindy Segal, and Fred Hoffmann in 2018.

What: Chefs Hall of Fame 2019 Induction Ceremony

When: Wednesday, October 16, 2019, 6:00 PM

Where: Joe's Live, 5441 Park Place, Rosemont, Illinois 60018

Tickets: thechicagoculinarymuseum.org

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/Chicago-Culinary-Museum-Chefs-Hall-of-Fame-102953507860/

Twitter: <a href="https://twitter.com/Culinary">https://twitter.com/Culinary</a>

Instagram: <a href="https://www.instagram.com/chicagochefshalloffame/">https://www.instagram.com/chicagochefshalloffame/</a>

## Link to inductee biographies:

thechicagoculinarymuseum.org/2019-chefs-hall-of-fame-event.html

## Link to inductee photos:

 $\underline{https://www.dropbox.com/sh/dnrgo9pf1myshui/AAAXJkFhmTVxgb2a7cOEKymsa?dl=0}$ 

## About the Chicago Culinary Museum and Chefs Hall of Fame:

A 501(c)(3) charitable organization founded in 2006 by Chef John Kaufmann and the late

Chef John Castro, the Chicago Culinary Museum and Chefs Hall of Fame celebrates the achievements and Contributions of Chicago chefs, food manufacturers, restaurateurs, and hoteliers while promoting and celebrating Chicago as a culinary mecca.

In addition to your presence, please consider being one of our featured restaurant stations. Our attendees are people from the industry and foodies. What a great start for the fall season and end to a great year for you and your properties.

I will be your chef liaison this year and will be contacting you regarding your commitment and participation in our upcoming event. Please feel free to contact me at any time for assistance in getting you set up and promoted for this great event. We want to get your name and restaurants information to promote on our mailings, web site and through our public Relations expert Julia Shell. Please let us know the best way to contact you or your assistants to make this a great opportunity for all involved with the Chicago Culinary Museum and Chefs Hall of Fame

Yours in gastronomy,

Chef Kyle Richardson CCE,CEC,CHE,AAC , President Chicago Culinary Museum and Chefs Hall of Fame: 815-207-9401 krichard@jjc.edu

PS: Please consider allowing our public relations executive the opportunity to book you for an appearance or interview to help us to promote you and the Chicago Culinary Museum and Chefs Hall of Fame Event.



□ **YES**, I would like to participate in the Chicago Chef's Hall of Fame 2020 Culinary Experience.

We will follow-up with you closer to March 30<sup>th</sup> with details as they develop.

krichard@jjc.edu. Chef will reach out to you for all your plates, silverware, glasses & coordinating needs!

Please email completed form to Chef Kyle Richardson at

Event Info:

Monday March 30<sup>th</sup> 2020 Joe's Live Rosemont

Sestaurant Name

Complete Address

Chef's Name

Assistant

Phone Number + Cell

Chef's E-Mail

For the event, we will need you to provide TBD samples (approx. 2 oz.) of your signature or favorite dish.

Dish Name

Who is your P.R. Firm, we will help them promote you? Add their Phone #

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