



American Culinary Federation
The Standard of Excellence for Chefs

2018 ACF

Achievement of Excellence

nomination form

APPLICATION DEADLINE: DECEMBER 31, 2017





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ACHIEVEMENT OF EXCELLENCE NOMINATION FORM

general application guidelines

- Nominee's region is determined by chapter affiliation, home address of record (for national members) or location of duty station (for military nominees).
- If submitting copies of articles or awards, send no more than three to five of the most recent; not to exceed 10 pages total.
- All documentation must be organized and legible.
- Do not submit any original documentation as it will not be returned.
- Nominees are only eligible to receive one Achievement of Excellence award per establishment. Previous winners (regardless of time frame) will not be considered.
- Applications may be submitted through the mail or online via email.
- Deadline is a received by date, not a postmarked date.

awards selection committee

An Awards Selection Committee will be appointed by the ACF national president for each award. Each Awards Selection Committee consists of four members from each region in the U.S. Committee members are current ACF members in good standing, are not nominated for an award in the year they serve and do not participate in the selection of candidates from their represented region.

overview

This award recognizes a restaurant and its chef or kitchen manager for their commitment to excellence in foodservice.

eligibility

Establishments must:

- Have been in business for at least five (5) consecutive years;
- Have employed the same chef or kitchen manager for a minimum of two (2) years;
- Be open to the public; and
- Be open a minimum of five (5) days a week.

nomination package guidelines

The complete nomination package must include (incomplete packages will not be considered):

- Completed application form;
- A brief bio of the chef or kitchen manager, 400 words or less;
- Letter of recommendation (500 words or less) from a local ACF chapter board or committee member;
- Copy of current menu(s); and
- Copy of any recent awards or recognitions.

*All materials must be submitted by deadline for consideration.

selection process

The Awards Selection Committee will review completed nomination packages to determine eligibility of each candidate and select semi-finalists. Semi-finalists' nominations will be submitted to the ACF national president for review and winner selection. All decisions made by the ACF national president are final and not subject to appeal.

winner notification

Recipients selected for an award will be contacted four to six months prior with a personalized RSVP card, which will include the location, date and time of the award presentation. They will be asked to electronically submit a completed Award Recipient Form and may be asked for additional documentation.

award presentations

Awards will be presented during Cook. Craft. Create. ACF National Convention & Show **ONLY**. Attendance of award presentation is mandatory.





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nominator's information

Name: _____ ACF Member # (if applicable): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Nominators will be responsible for collecting all supporting documents and submitting them as part of the award nomination.

restaurant information

Business Name _____

Contact Name _____

Position/Title _____

Business Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Business Phone _____ Fax _____ Email _____

Chef/Kitchen Manager _____ Time with Company _____

Will a company representative be able to attend the award presentation at Cook. Craft. Create. ACF National Convention & Show?

Yes No

type of cuisine

American

Asian

Bistro

Contemporary

Eclectic

French

International/Continental

Italian

Latin-American

Mexican

Regional

Seafood

Steakhouse

Other (please specify) _____

company demographics

Number of years in operation _____ Number of seats _____ Hours of operation _____



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I hereby certify that the information I have provided to the American Culinary Federation is correct. Furthermore, I grant permission to ACF and its subsidiaries to use the information in this nomination form in print and electronically for promotional purposes, which may include video and/or photography. I understand that I will not be compensated and that I may not be notified for each use. All decisions that are made by the ACF national president are final and not subject to appeal.

Signature _____

Date _____

Printed Name _____

Submit completed nomination form to:
Competition & Awards Administrator at awards@acfchefs.net
Incomplete application packages will NOT be considered



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Date received _____ By _____ Completed package Yes No

Missing information _____ Requested _____

Previous President's Award(s) received _____

Submitted to Awards Selection Committee _____ Date _____