



American Culinary Federation  
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2018 ACF

# Hermann G. Rusch Chef's Achievement award application

APPLICATION DEADLINE: SEPTEMBER 30, 2017





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## CHEF'S ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

### award objective

The Hermann G. Rusch Chef's Achievement Award honors chefs who have demonstrated the highest level of commitment to both ACF and the culinary profession. Such chefs, through their involvement with and contributions to ACF and our craft, have advanced the culinary profession and ensured the enrichment of students, our members, and those in our profession.

### candidate eligibility

Candidate must:

1. Be an ACF member in good standing consistently for at least 15 years.
2. Hold or have held the position or positions of executive chef, working chef, chef instructor, pastry chef, research and development chef or corporate chef for at least 30 years.
3. Currently hold or have held an elected local chapter office in one of the following positions: president, vice president, secretary or treasurer, or served as chair for chapter membership or as Chapter Certification Chairman. Documentation required.
4. Hold or have held Certified Sous Chef or Certified Working Pastry Chef level or higher.
5. Not have applied for any other regional or national award.

NOTE: Past regional winners may reapply after five years. Past national winners cannot reapply. Nominees may apply annually.

### application guidelines

A complete nomination package includes:

- The completed application form.
- A professional résumé and biography of the candidate. **Each document is not to exceed two pages.**
- Documentation of registration will be required for regional conference and national convention if selected.
- Documents must be submitted to the competitions and awards administrator. Your presence is required in order to receive the award.
- A high resolution, digital, color photograph of candidate in a white chef coat. The digital photograph must meet the following requirements: 300 dpi (dots per inch) in a .tif or .jpeg format, and at least 1200 by 1600 pixels. Picture can be emailed to [awards@acfchefs.net](mailto:awards@acfchefs.net) or submitted on a CD.

Candidates will provide all needed materials for the application and selection process before the deadline.

### selection process: regional

Each chapter in good standing, as defined by the ACF Bylaws within your region, will have one vote. Ballots will be sent to chapter presidents electronically from the national office on or before the last working day of November and must be returned to the national office by the posted deadline.

Notification of advancement: December 2017

The winners will be announced during regional conference award events. These finalists will advance to the national competition.

### selection process: national

The four regional winners will vie for the national award. Each chapter in good standing will have one vote. Ballots will be sent to chapter presidents electronically from the national office by the last working day of May and must be returned by the posted deadline in June.

The ballots will be counted and the results kept confidential until the national convention. In the case of a tie, the national president's ballot will be counted to break the tie.

The national winner will be announced during ACF's national convention. **Presence is required to accept the National Hermann G. Rusch Chefs Achievement Award.**

**COMPLETED APPLICATION MUST  
BE RECEIVED BY SEPTEMBER 30, 2017**

Mail To: American Culinary Federation | Attn: Awards  
180 Center Place Way | St. Augustine, FL 32095

- OR -

Email: [awards@acfchefs.net](mailto:awards@acfchefs.net)

**All incomplete applications will NOT be accepted.**



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### APPLICATION FORM

#### personal information

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ ACF Member #: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

#### employment information (current employment)

Name of Establishment: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Your Position / Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Business Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

#### professional accomplishments | awards

Please list your top three professional accomplishments or awards:

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that the information I have submitted is correct. Furthermore, I grant permission to the American Culinary Federation and its subsidiaries to use the information included in my application 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 of each use. I understand my presence is required in order to accept the award, or I void the agreement stated in the application guidelines and the next competitor that is present will receive the award. I understand my presence is required in order to accept the award, or I void the agreement stated in the application guidelines and the next competitor that is present will receive the award.

Also, I agree that all decisions made by the selection committee are final and not subject to appeal.

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 Signature Date



**PRIZE PACKAGE**

<p><b>REGIONAL WINNERS RECEIVE:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Customized Award</li> <li>▪ One full convention registration</li> </ul>	<p><b>THE NATIONAL WINNER RECEIVES:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Customized Award</li> </ul>
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