

THE
**SAUCY
AWARDS**



The Saucy Awards®
Presented by the Golden Gate Restaurant Association
2017 Winners

CATEGORY: CHEF

CHEF OF THE YEAR **Presented by OpenTable**
Srijith Gopinathan - Taj Campton Place

PASTRY CHEF OF THE YEAR **Presented by Williams Sonoma Professional Chefs**
Julie Vandermeersch - Vive La Tarte

RISING STAR CHEF OF THE YEAR - **Presented by TriMark**
Adam Tortosa - Robin

SOUS CHEF OF THE YEAR - **Presented by Cayson Designs**
Sam Situ - China Live

CATEGORY: SERVICE

RESTAURATEUR OF THE YEAR - **Presented by OpenTable**
Ryan Cole, Jason Halverson, Tai Ricci and Jason Kirmse - Hi Neighbor
Hospitality Group

BEVERAGE PROFESSIONAL OF THE YEAR- **Presented by Young's Market**
Ilya Romanov - The Dorian

EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR - **Presented by Pared**
Stuart Furtwangler - Fogo de Chao

MANAGER OF THE YEAR - **Presented by Miller Law Group**
Amy Svendberg - Poggio

OUTSTANDING INDUSTRY SERVICE PROVIDER
Georgopoulos and Economidis, LLP

OUTSTANDING INDUSTRY SERVICE SUPPLIER
Gulfish

CATEGORY: RESTAURANTS

EXCEPTIONAL FULL-SERVICE RESTAURANT OF THE YEAR - **Presented by
Georgopoulos and Economidis, LLP**
Mourad

EXCEPTIONAL FAST-CASUAL RESTAURANT OF THE YEAR **Presented by
Thanx**
Namu Stonepot

EXCEPTIONAL NON-BRICK & MORTAR RESTAURANT OF THE YEAR
Componere Fine Catering

EXCEPTIONAL SPECIALTY FOOD ESTABLISHMENT OF THE YEAR
Powder

CATEGORY: PROGRAMS

WINE PROGRAM OF THE YEAR presented by **Estate Events by Meadowood**
Tartine Manufactory

COCKTAIL PROGRAM OF THE YEAR **presented by NFP**
August 1 Five

BEER PROGRAM OF THE YEAR **presented by Revel Systems**
Barrel Head Brewhouse

SUSTAINABLE RESTAURANT OR BAR OF THE YEAR - **Presented by
Recology**
Scoma's Restaurant

COMMUNITY SPIRIT OF THE YEAR - **Presented by Comcast Business**
Zingari Ristorante

PEOPLE'S CHOICE WINNER- **Presented by San Francisco Magazine**
ROOH

**LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD - Presented by the Golden Gate
Restaurant Association**

Mariann Costello

The GGRA's Lifetime Achievement Award is presented to an individual who has committed his/her life's work to the restaurant community by promoting the Bay Area as a world-class culinary destination, providing excellent customer service, and mentoring the next generation of culinary professionals. Mariann Costello was selected by the GGRA as this year's honoree. A native San Franciscan, Mariann has 29 years of restaurant experience and has served as President of the Golden Gate Restaurant Association and the California Restaurant Association and the former San Francisco Taxicab Commission. She is the former Chair of the San Francisco Travel Board of Directors (a board she still serves on), and is formerly a board member of the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce Board. She also serves as a Trustee for the Golden Gate Restaurant Association Scholarship Foundation.



Nominations were accepted from members of the restaurant industry. These nominations were narrowed down to four selected finalists by The 2017 Saucy Awards Steering Committee: Marcy Coburn, Marcia Gagliardi, Peter Kane, Joel Riddell, and Virginia Miller.

All GGRA member restaurants and any non-member nominees were able to rank vote for the winners. The votes were counted by accounting firm OUM & Co. LLP, to ensure fair and unbiased results.