

enter the 2012 **LEAD** LIKE "MIKE" CONTEST



DO YOU EVER WONDER

what it takes to lead the largest organization of professional chefs in the U.S.? American Culinary Federation (ACF) students and apprentices are invited to enter the 2012 Lead Like "Mike" Contest for your chance at **unparalleled access to culinary leaders** and **top-notch networking opportunities**. One lucky student will be selected to attend the **2012 ACF National Convention** in Orlando, Fla., July 14-17, 2012, to be **mentored by ACF National President Michael Ty, CEC, AAC**.

Five finalists will be selected for phone interviews. The winner will be announced by June 6, 2012, and will receive **1** airfare to Orlando, Fla. **2** accommodations at the Orlando World Center Marriott and **3** full convention registration.

WHO CAN ENTER?

Applicants must be...

- A first-, second- or third-year full-time culinary student enrolled in either a degree-granting, diploma or certificate postsecondary culinary program, or an American Culinary Federation Education Foundation Apprenticeship Program.
- An ACF member in good standing since January 31, 2012.
- At least 18 years old.
- Available July 13-18, 2012.
- Organized, punctual and personable.
- A leader who can communicate well with diverse groups and maintain a professional image.

APPLY TODAY!

To enter, submit the following information:

- A completed and signed **application**.
- A 500-word **essay** in English, no smaller than 12 point font, describing how this mentoring opportunity will help you achieve your goal of being a culinary leader. The essay must be your original work and should not reference Michael Ty more than twice.
- A high-resolution color **photo** in appropriate chef apparel.
- A signed **letter of endorsement** from your department chair and/or school/apprenticeship director on official letterhead.

CONTEST GUIDELINES

- Guests may not accompany the winner.
- All submissions become property of ACF.
- ACF reserves the right to contact faculty or administrators at any entrant's school or apprenticeship program to confirm enrollment and verify endorsement.
- Entrants agree, by signing a release waiver, to allow ACF to use their photos, names and essays in promotional materials. ACF will give appropriate attribution, but compensation will not be provided.
- Finalists should be prepared for a comprehensive, professional phone interview with Michael Ty and an ACF staff person.
- Failure to follow contest guidelines and essay requirements will lead to disqualification.
- In the event that there are no qualified candidates, ACF reserves the right to cancel the contest.

SEND APPLICATION PACKAGES TO:

American Culinary Federation, Attn: Patricia Carroll, Lead Like "Mike" Contest
180 Center Place Way | St. Augustine, FL 32095

POSTMARKED DEADLINE:
MAY 2, 2012

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APPLICATION

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Last name: _____ First name: _____
ACF member number: _____ Date joined ACF: _____
Birthdate: _____ SSN: _____
Home address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Home phone: _____ Work phone: _____
Cell phone: _____ E-mail: _____

CURRENT CULINARY EDUCATION

Educational institution name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Date of enrollment: _____ Anticipated graduation date: _____
Degree pursued: _____
Department chair's name: _____ Phone number: _____
Title: _____

ACFEF APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM

ACFEF Apprenticeship Program name: _____
ACFEF Apprenticeship Program type: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Date of enrollment: _____ Anticipated completion date: _____
Current status/hours completed: _____
Apprenticeship director's name: _____ Phone number: _____
Title: _____

CURRENT EMPLOYMENT

Name of Employer: _____
Address: _____
City: _____
State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone number: _____
Job title: _____
Immediate supervisor's name: _____ Phone number: _____
Title: _____

I herby 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 and essay in print and electronically for promotional purposes. I understand that I will not be compensated and that I may not be notified of each use.

Applicant Signature

Date