



2012 ACF award application



Hermann G. Rusch Chef's Achievement Award

APPLICATION DEADLINE
OCTOBER 31, 2011

2012 award application



general application guidelines

- Nominees' region is determined by chapter affiliation. In the event you are a national member your region will be determined by home address of record.
- Military nominees' region is determined by location of duty station.
- Nominees may not apply for more than one regional award in any given year.
- All documentation must be submitted on 8.5" x 11" paper.
- Do not submit original documentation as it will not be returned.
- When submitting copies of articles or awards send no more than 3-5 of the most recent, not to exceed 15 pages total.
- Deadline is a received by date, not a postmarked by date.

awards selection committees

ACF will have an awards screening and selection committee appointed by the ACF National President for each award. The committees will determine eligibility of candidates and select the semi-finalists or regional winner. **All decisions made by the selection committee are final and binding.**

Each Awards Selection Committee consists of four members, one from each region. 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 home region.

Chef, Pastry Chef and Student Chef of the Year will be coordinated by a member of the Culinary Competition Committee. The competition committee representative does not have a vote, but will provide technical or educational advice as necessary.



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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 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 certification committee — documentation required;
4. Hold or have held certification at the certified sous chef or certified working pastry chef level or higher; and
5. Be a United States citizen or have a permanent resident green card.

NOTE: Past regional winners may reapply after 5 years. Past national winners cannot reapply. Nominees may apply annually.

application guidelines

A complete nomination package includes:

- The completed application form;
- A professional resumé and biography of the candidate, not to exceed two pages;
- A letter of commitment from the candidate agreeing to attend his or her respective regional conference and the national convention, if selected;
- Documentation of chapter office held; and
- A high resolution, digital, color photograph of candidate in white chef's 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 events@acfcchefs.net or submitted on a CD.

Candidates will provide all needed materials for the application and selection process before the deadline. Applications received after the deadline will be returned to the candidate for submission the following year.

selection process: regional

Each chapter in good standing will have one vote. Ballots will be mailed 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.

In the case of a tie, the regional vice president's sealed ballot will be counted to break the tie.

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 mailed from the national office by the last working day of May and must be returned by the posted deadline.

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

The national winner will be announced during ACF's national convention.

**APPLICATION MUST BE RECEIVED BY
OCTOBER 31, 2011**

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



APPLICATION FORM

personal information

Full Name _____

Home Address _____

City, State & Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

I am a citizen of the United States or have a permanant resident green card.

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.

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

Candidate's Signature _____

Date _____



PRIZE PACKAGE

REGIONAL WINNERS RECEIVE:

- Trophy
- One round-trip, coach air fare to National Convention
- Five nights lodging at the host hotel
- One full convention registration

THE NATIONAL WINNER RECEIVES:

- Gold medallion and plaque in the theme of the award (plaque will be shipped after the convention)
- \$1000 cash prize

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