



# EMIRATES CHEFS GUILD FZ-LLC

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The Emirates Culinary Guild would like to announce the successful running of the La Cuisine Du Sial 2017 from 12<sup>th</sup> December 2017 till 14<sup>th</sup> December 2017. The competition was held at the Abu Dhabi National Convention Centre during La Sial. The competition saw over 485 competitors from the United Arab Emirates, Pakistan and Egypt compete in 29 classes across all disciplines of the Culinary arts, from Ice Carving, Practical cookery, static displays, Emirati cuisine , cake decorating and Show Piece category's.

20 International Judges from all over the World came to judge alongside 10 UAE based judges during the Culinary spectacular this year. The La Sial is the 2<sup>nd</sup> largest culinary competition in the Africa and Middle East region and is endorsed by the World Association of chefs Societies.

“The standard was extremely high this year “said President of the Judges Chef Otto Weibel who has been coming to the ECG competitions since 1993 and all 7 editions of La Sial, President of the Guild Chef Uwe Micheel Director of Kitchens at Radisson Bleu Deira Creek, said” we are proud to be able to put on such a great competition that really shows the talents of our chefs here in the UAE and also gives great opportunity for International competitors to come and compete alongside our UAE chefs.

Guild Chairman Andy Cuthbert, General Manager of Mina Salam Hotel , and Conference & Incentives and Jumeirah Hospitality, added “ this year was another excellent performance by our chefs and we also saw the Global chefs cook off for the A&ME region to represent the regional n the World final in July 2018 in Malaysia. Three chefs from the region shall represent the region, Mohammed Raees from the Ajman Saray Hotel for the Global chef, Damikka Herath for the global pastry chef from Radisson Blu Deira Creek and for Young chefs from Egypt young chef, Mahmoud Korany. We wish our representatives best of luck in July 2018

2017 also saw the introduction of the Arabian feast class as an edible buffet where three teams presented a traditional Arabian feast that was enjoyed by sponsors and visitors to La Sial.



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The winners of the trophy's this year came from many hotels and were:

Winner - Best Effort by a Corporation - La Cuisine Du Sial 2017	Jumeirah Group	
Winner - Best Effort by an Individual Establishment - La Cuisine Du Sial 2017	Emirates Palace AD	
Best Arabian Cuisiner - La Cuisine Du Sial 2017	Madinat Jumeirah C&I	Aahed Samih Kokash
Best Pastry Chef - La Cuisine Du Sial 2017	Emirates Palace Hotel AD	Roshan Erandika
Best Kitchen Artist - La Cuisine Du Sial 2017	Gloria Hotel Dubai	Samantha Kumara K.M.U.G
Best Cuisinier - Second Runner-up La Cuisine Du Sial 2017	Yosh Hospitality	Sudheera Ruwantha Kandapola
Best Cuisinier - First Runner-up La Cuisine Du Sial 2017	Ajman Saray	Sanjoy Sharma
Best Cuisinier - Winner La Cuisine Du Sial 2017	Madinat Jumeirah C&I	Htay Lin

A total of **48** Gold Medals, **93** Silver Medals and **131** bronze medals were awarded during the 3 day event.

The La Sial is the 2nd largest Culinary Competition in the Guilds calendar, with the East Coast Salon in Summer and the Emirates Salon Culinaire held in February during Gulf Food also attracting international competitors.



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## About the Emirates Culinary Guild

The Emirates Culinary Guild (ECG) ([www.emiratesculinaryguild.net](http://www.emiratesculinaryguild.net)) is the association of professional chefs of the UAE. It is a non-profit-making organisation, organised by volunteers dedicated solely to the advancement of culinary art in the UAE.

The World Association of Chefs Societies (Worldchefs) ([www.worldchefs.org](http://www.worldchefs.org)) is the 105-nation fellowship of the world's various professional chefs' organizations.

The ECG received its charter into Worldchefs at a ceremony in Stavanger, Norway on June 28, 1994, during the Worldchefs 26th World Congress. Worldchefs endorses the ECG as the authorized professional culinary association for the UAE. The ECG, thereby, has an international culinary focus and multi-national support for the staging of its various competitions, seminars and events.

The aims of the ECG, broadly, are:

- To encourage and inspire young chefs through training and competition.
- To enhance internationally the culinary prestige of the UAE.
- To encourage UAE nationals to consider a career within the hospitality industry.

With Culinary Regards,

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