## OUR STORIES - CHICACO



TASTE EXPLORE ENGAGE TOAST

## "BE THE CHANGE YOU WANT TO SEE IN THE WORLD,"

- EXECUTIVE CHEF SCOTT GOURLEY



## Welcometo Chicago

At Hilton, we like to think the best meetings and events go beyond four walls or the 9-to-5 business day. When thoughtfully planned-when designed to WOW-they inspire ideas and action,
 turn peers into friends, create shared memories and leave an indelible impression on everyone involved.

Like all the special places and destinations you'll discover when staying at Palmer House, a Hilton Hotel, Chicago offers an abundance of things to do, sights to see and unique settings. The sky's the limit, and we want you to enjoy the best that Hilton and this city have to offer.

That's why we're delighted to bring you this issue of FLAVOR, where you'll find our Chicago stories, our Spring/Summer menus and our chefs' choices for things to taste, explore, engage and toast.

Think of FLAVOR as your digital concierge with locally inspired menus and other special food and beverage offerings to help you create an unforgettable experience for your clients and attendees.

Come and explore with us on these pages. Together, we'll create a whole new flavor for your next meeting or event-curated just for you in a space only a Hilton can provide.


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## Breakfast

 Buffets
## Signature Continental

orange and cranberry juice | coffee, decaffeinated coffee, tea service | fresh cubed seasonal fruit | freshly baked mini pastries | sweet butter and jams

Minimum of 25 people. Maximum of 60 minutes of service.

State Street Continental
orange and cranberry juice | coffee, decaffeinated coffee, tea service | fresh cubed seasonal fruit | freshly baked mini pastries and bagels | cream cheese | peanut butter weet butter and jam

## Honoré Breakfast

orange and cranberry juice | coffee, decaffeinated coffe tea service | fresh cubed seasonal fruit | freshly baked assorted breakfast pastries | sweet butter and jams | cage free eggs | smokehouse bacon | seared roma tomato with wild mushrooms and herbs | roasted red skin potatoes

## BUFFET FNHANCEMENTS

## Yogurt and Berry Parfait

Greek yogurt | house-made granola
seasonal berry $\mid$ local honey
berry compote | mint

## Individual Fruit Salad

## Vanilla Chia Overnight Oats

 fresh berries | toasted almond $\mid$ coconut
## Breakfast Sandwiche

cage free eggs | bacon or sausage aged cheddar | brioche roll

## Steel Cut Oatmeal

dried cranberries | golden raisins | candie
walnuts | maple syrup | brown sugar

## Buttermilk Pancakes

whipped butter | Wisconsin maple syrup fresh berries | whipped cream

French Toast Bread Pudding challah | mascarpone | vanilla bean

## Smoked Salmon

assorted fresh bagels | traditional and garlic herb cream cheese | red onion caper | hard boiled egg

## Breakfast Burritos

cage free eggs | roasted chilies |
caramelized onion | cheddar jack cheese |
jalapeno salsa

Omelet Station -Chef Attendant Required age free eggs |egg whites |smokehouse bacon | sausage | ham | mushrooms diced tomato | roasted peppers | jalapenos cheddar | mozzarella | feta | salsa

## Hard Boiled Egg

 Smokehouse Bacon Breakfast Sausage Turkey Sausage Patties Chicken Apple Sausage Links Canadian Bacon


## Plated

4
Breakfasts

Minimum of 25 people. Maximum of 90 minutes of service. Plated breakfasts include orange juice, freshly brewed coffee and tea service.

Traditional Scrambled Eggs
breakfast potatoes with peppers and onion | sausage links | smokehouse bacon

## Vegetarian Frittata

season's best vegetables | breakfast potatoes | oven-roasted tomato

Steak and Eggs
grilled NY strip | roasted tomato | wild mushrooms |
potatoes with peppers and onion

## MEETWITH PURPOSE

A new way to meet for an impactful return

These Days attendees want more. (Tell you something you don't know, right?) More time for exercise during the meeting day, more fulfilling breaks and more kinds of foods that keep them energized, clearheaded and powering through the afternoon slump. With Meet with Purpose you can offer all of that-plus so much more.

Planners choose from a selection of turnkey menus that pair healthy, energy-boosting meals with fitness, wellness or philanthropic activities Even more, these packages often reduce food waste, incorporate environmentaly friendly solutions and meet social resposibility goals-important issues to people looking for more purpose from their meetings.

With Meet with Purpose, you can customize your own programs or select from proven ideas that elevate the overall meeting experience for a lasting WOW impression.


Here are just a few ideas Meet with Purpose brings to the table:

Easy-to-implement, balanced menus Infused fruit and herb water stations - Flavorful seasonal ingredients

Sustainable seafood selections - Vegetarian, vegan and no-gluten-added standard selections
itness-and wellness-focused breaks

- Instructor-led stretching activities - City walk/run routes via event app

Morning yoga, run and silent
cardiovascular activities
Meditation areas with virtual-reality headsets
and headsets with music

- Standing table areas

Philanthropic tie-ins

- Local community give-back on-site and off site activities arranged by Hotel Community Projects Manager

Resource management and waste reduction - Paperless guest room check-in through Hilton Honors Digital Key
Energy-efficient lightbulbs, not-in-use default off switches for lights and equipment Surplus supplies donated to local
charities, arranged by Hotel Community
Projects Manager
Recycling and responsible food waste management

## Something's Sprouting Up Inside Palmer House

Indoor Agricultural Revolution Before Your Eyes

We're farming and cultivating within Palmer House at Lockwood Restaurant. That's right, we've brought the outdoors inside with 3 bookcase-sized farming systems that are powerful enough to provide us ample amounts of fresh produce each week. We can select from over 40 different variations of leafy greens, herbs and edible flowers which we incorporate in our cocktails and dishes - it really doesn't get much fresher than growing feet from your plate, especially given that most of the food you consume these days is grown 1500 miles away.

What we really like about Farmshelf is that it simplifies the growth process with automation. Seedpods sprout in the hidden drawer system and the LEDs, nutrient delivery, airflow and temperature are all managed remotely from Brooklyn. Plus our little farms use $90 \%$ less water, grow $3 x$ faster and allow us to harvest exactly what we need, eliminating packaging, food waste and did we mention, they're pretty cool looking too. Coupled with our commitment to the regenerative agricultural movement, Chicago Bridge partnership of food donations, oceans certification, elimination of straws and incorporation of the Light Stays meeting planner tools, we're ensuring you not only have the best possible stay with a full belly, but also one that's eco-friendly too.


Palmer
House
BROWNIE

Ingredients
$5.25 \mathrm{oz} 60 \%$ dark couverture chocolate
9.75 oz butter

I2.75 oz granulated sugar
5 ea eggs
3.5 oz all-purpose flour
i/8 tsp baking powder
8 oz chopped walnuts

## Directions

I. Preheat oven to 350 degrees.
2. Melt chocolate and butter in a double
boiler. Mix the baking powder, sugar and flour together in a bowl. Combine chocolate and flour mixtures. Stir 4 to minutes. Add eggs and continue mixing
3. Pour mixture into a 9xi2 baking sheet Sprinkle walnuts on top, pressing down slightly into the mixture with your hand. Bake for approximately 35 minutes
4. Brownies are done when the edges begin to crisp and has risen about $\mathrm{I} / 4$ of an inch.

Note
When the brownie is properly baked, it will remain "gooey" with a toothpick in the middle due to the richness of the mixture.

## How Scott Cooked Up His Own Dreams

with Executive Chef Scott Gourley

I'VE ALWAYS HAD AN INTEREST IN FOOD STARTING AT A VERY YOUNG AGE. Admittedly, one of my first memories as a child was trying to order frog legs at a restaurant. I suppose I was always destined to become a chef and became completely enamored with the top (fancy) restaurant in town. I would look through their menu which was printed in the phone book and imagine what I would order and how it would taste because much of the menu had entrees and selections that I had had yet to experience. Then I got my first big break in sixth grade. My mother started a new job so I offered up the responsibility of preparing dinner for my family after school. I'd skim through a variety of cook books and would lay out the family menu for the week. In high school, I kept experimenting and as luck would have it, that fancy restaurant in town was hiring a dishwasher. I practically knocked down their door and was hired! I was finally able to try all dishes that I had imagined for so many years lobster, scallops, raw oysters and most notably the escargot. Escargot is still a favorite of mine and I'll always order if it's on the menu. From there I proved myself and was invited to cook at that same restaurant and then went onto the Le Cordon Bleu Culinary School in Chicago.

I can remember making enchiladas, unsure of exactly what they were, from a 7os Betty Crook cook book. Maybe it was the ingredients, maybe it was the recipe, but I can say my first attempt wasn't the greatest. I later came to find out enchiladas are nothing like what I cooked that day when my wife, Nereida's mother, who is from Mexico, shared with me a variety of cooking techniques to prepare dishes she grew up eating, including enchiladas. A major lesson was learned that day - authentic recipes, fresh, high quality ingredients and techniques will always prevail and prove to be the best preparation of any dish.

Moving to Chicago exposed me to a full spectrum of food, flavors and cuisine from around the world. Working as a chef has allowed me to sample ingredients and preparation styles to continually cultivate my knowledge of this amazing industry. I always aspired to be part of the culinary scene since I was a little boy. The desire that pushed me to get that first job in the fancy restaurant has inspired me today. The kids, the ones that aren't afforded food culture from the onset, but who desperately want to be part of this crazy industry - they are who I cook for today and they are who I get the most pleasure in working with to further develop their skills and palette in our kitchen today.

## A la CARTE <br> Break Selections

Fresh from the Bakery Pastry Selections
Pastries must be ordered by the dozen with
a minimum order of one dozen per type.

## Assorted Sliced Sweet Breads

banana nut, blueberry, cream cheese, lemon cranberry
Assorted Scones
hocolate cinnamon bluebery
Butter Croissants
Assorted Danish
cinnamon, raspberry, apple, maple pecan
Assorted Muffins
blueberry, chocolate, banana nu
Assorted Bagels with Cream Cheese
raditional, onion, sesame, poppy, cinnamon raisi

## Fresh Baked Cookies

chocolate chip, peanut butter, oatmeal raisin, white chocolate macadamia
Palmer House Original Recipe Brownies
toasted walnut, apricot glaze

Healthier Side
Assorted Individual Greek Yogurt Cups
Seasonal Whole Fresh Fruit
Fruit and Nut Trail Mix
Seasonal Cubed Fruit with Honey Yogurt
Assorted Granola and Energy Bars
Kind Bars, Assorted Flavors
Crisp Garden Vegetables with Hummu
Mixed Nuts
Mozzarella String Cheese
Smartfood White Cheddar Popcorn

- Cashews

Almonds
Fresh Berry Parfaits

Snacks
Assorted Bagged Potato Chips and Snacks
potato chips, cheetos, doritos, pretzels
Fresh Baked Pretzels
whole grain and yellow mustard
Tortilla Chips
guacamole and pico de gallo

- Assorted Ice Cream Novelties
- Assorted Candy Bars
- Haagen Daz Ice Cream Bars



Beverages
Attended Required for all Beverage Stations

BREW

- $100 \%$ columbian regular coffee | $100 \%$ columbian decaffeinated coffee
- starbucks brewed coffee or decaffeinated coffee
- assorted herbal and caffeinated teas with hot water


## CHILL

- fruit and herb infused water, seasonal flavors
lemonade, iced tea, fruit punch
- bottled still water
- smart water
- assorted soft drinks, cocoa-cola
- la croix sparkling water, assorted flavors
- vitamin water, assorted flavors
- bottled iced tea
- orange, cranberry, grapefruit, apple juice
- naked juices, assorted
- san pellegrino sparking water
- red bull, regular and diet


## Choose Your Chicago Style

The best Chicago attractions include vast city parks, intriguing MUSEUMS, SOARING SKYSCRAPERS AND EXPLORING THE CRITICALLY-ACCLAIMED food scene

Chicago is a city unlike any other. Voted the Best Large City for 3 years in a row by Conde Nast Traveler, we've got the architectural marvels, world- class museums, dynamic entertainment, and award-winning dining scene you'd expect from one of the world's greatest cities - all surrounding Palmer House, a Hilton Hotel. It's almost as if the city was built around the hotel. Because in many regards, it was. Following the Great Chicago Fire, the first Palmer House fell victim to the furry of the fire. It was the visionaries, Bertha and Potter Palmer, who decided to stay in Chicago and rebuilt the hotel, encouraging other prominent financiers to stay and do the same. That's why the hotel is surround by iconic culturally vibrant establishments uniquely identifiable to Chicago - The Art Institute Millennium Park, Broadway in Chicago, Chicago Theatre, State Street - That Great Street, The Loop - Chicago's business and finance sector, Michigan Avenue, Lake Michigan \& its beaches and running /jogging/biking lake front path, Wabash Arts Corridor, Jewelers Row and a plentiful food scene busting at the seams.

Deli
Minimum of 25 people. Maximum of 90 minutes of service Coffee and hot tea service included.

## Salads

Mixed Greens
tomatoes, carrots, red onion, cucumber, herb vinaigrette

Seasonal Fruit Salad

Soup
Chicken Noodle with Garden Vegetables

Windy City
Maximum of 90 minutes of service. Coffee
and hot tea service included.
Chicago Chopped Salad
omaine, radicchio, gorgonzola, chicken, tomato, ditalini pasta, balsamic vinaigrette

Market Green Salad
baby lettuce, heirloom tomato, cucumber, carrot, green goddess

Pan Roasted Chicken vesuvio style, green peas

Italian Beef
french roll, giardiniera, gravy

Chicago Tavern Style Pizza cheese and pepperoni

Roasted Seasonal Vegetables

Sweets
Palmer House Brownies and Assorted Fresh Baked Cookies

Deli Tray
Sliced turkey breast, roast beef, smoked ham

## Chicken salad

Aged cheddar, swiss, muenster

Ripe tomato, red onion, dill pickle, boston lettuce

Mayonaise, dijon and yellow mustard

Fresh baked assortment of sliced breads

Housemade kettle chips

Assorted house made mini pastries


## Sandwiches

Served with chips, whole fruit, and
fresh baked cookie.

## House-Roasted Turke

whole-grain baguette, house-roasted turkey, widmer's farm aged cheddar, maple mustard, spicy pickles, local greens

## Chicken Salad Sandwich

roasted chicken breast salad, wildflower honey toasted pecans, dried cranberries, and butter ettuce on a brioche bun

## Black Forest Ham

liced black forest ham, mustard seed gouda
cheese, hickory bacon jam, bibb lettuce,
beefsteak tomato, caramelized onions, and herb aioli on a pretzel roll

## Caprese Sandwich

fresh mozzarella, tomato and basil with pesto aioli on herbed ciabatta dinner roll

## West Loop Italian

focaccia, soppressata, finnochinoa, hot coppa, mild giardiniera, calabrian chile aioli, pecorino, lettuce, tomato

Chimichurri Marinated Flank Steak
rosemary ciabatta, marinated flank steak,
chimichurri romesco, wild arugula,
manchego cheese

Can be made with Gluten Free bread
and gluten free dessert.

## Wraps

Served with chips, whole fruit, and fresh baked cookie. Wraps cannot be substituted for GF wrap.

## Thai Chicken Wrap

napa cabbage, carrots, bell peppers, spicy pickles, toasted sesame, thai peanut sauce

## Mediterranean Tuna Salad Wrap

leaf lettuce, lemon, calabrian chile, capers, cerignola olives, sundried tomato pesto

## The Crispy Hippie Wrap

crispy brown rice, roasted broccoli, avocado, carrot \& napa cabbage slaw, aleppo pepper \& tahini dressing

## Salad

Served with gluten free roll, butter, and house made gluten free dessert.

## Honey \& Lemon Roast Chicken Salad

honey \& lemon roasted chicken breast, shaved beet salad, compressed apricot, grapefruit, local greens, whipped lemon ricotta, toasted marcona almonds, pickled orange vinaigrette

Grilled Flat Iron Steak Salad
chimichurri fingerling potato salad, pickled red onion, sheeps milk feta, with mixed greens

## Southwest Vegetable

chopped romaine lettuce, fire-roasted corn, red peppers, scallions, black beans, pico de gallo, crispy corn tortilla strips, and balsamic dressing

## arden Sala

mixed greens, seasonal vegetables, balsamic dressing

## Turkey Cobb Salad

butter lettuce, roasted turkey breast, avocado, red onions cucumbers, tomatoes, hard-boiled egg, bacon, crumbled blue cheese, and herb vinaigrette

BROWNIE
Manhattan

## Ingredients

1 oz. Palmer House FEW Rye
3/4 oz. Creme de cacao
$3 / 4 \mathrm{oz}$. Nocello (walnut liqueur)
2 dashes Chocolate walnut bitters

## Method

. Stir over ice in a mixing glass 2. Strain into rocks glass with a large ice cube 3. Garnished with a mini brownie and a cherry

Cucumber
Cilantro Margarita

## Ingredients

$1^{1 / 2}$ oz. Private Barrel Tequila
$1 / 2 \mathrm{oz}$. Cointreau
2 oz . Fresh sour mix
2 slices Cucumber
5 leaves Cilantro

## Method

r. Muddle cucumber and cilantro in mixing glass
2. Add first three ingredients and ice, cover and shake
3. Strain into an iced, salt rimmed glass
4. Garnish with fresh cucumber and a sprig of cilantro

## Moody-mosa

## Ingredients

1 bottle Moody Toungue Palmer House Pilsner
1 oz . Fresh Squeezed Orange Juice
1 oz . Ginger Liqueur

## Method

r. Fill glass with Moody Tongue Palmer Pilsner 2. Garnish with an orange slice


Monday
Michigan Avenue
An upcharge per person is applicable when selecting a different day of the week menu

Michigan Avenue
Minimum to people. Maximum of 90 minutes of service. Coffee and hot tea service included.

## Salads

Acadia Mix
baby heirloom tomato, breakfast radish
champagne vinaigrette

Quinoa
baby arugula, red grape, toasted walnut, lemon vinaigrette

## Haricots Verts

shallot, grainy mustard, caper

Soup
Heirloom Tomato Basil Soup

Hot Mains
Roasted Herb Chicken
lemon parsley butter, pan jus, wild mushroom,
charred green onion
Seasonal Market Fish
grapefruit, fennel, beurre blanc

## Honey Thyme Berkshire Pork

 fuji apple, pearl onionSides
Charred Brussels Sprouts
citrus oil

## arro Risotto

mascarpone cheese, fine herbs

Sweets
Assorted House Made Mini Pastries



## Tuesday <br> River North

An upcharge per person is applicable when selecting a different day of the week menu.

## River North

Minimum io people. Maximum of 90 minutes of service. Coffee and hot tea service included.

## Salads

Baby Iceberg Wedge Salad
iceberg lettuce, crumbled bleu, bacon, cherry tomato,
herbed ranch

Traditional Caesar
romaine, ciabatta, parmesan, caesar dressing

## Marbled Potato Salad

celery hearts, red onion, herb aioli

## Soup

Butternut Squash Soup

## Hot Mains

 Roasted Top Sirloin chimichurriHerb Roasted Salmon
lemon caper sauce

## Penne ala Vodka

artichoke, roasted pepper
Sides
Garlic Herb Smashed Potatoes

Asparagus
moked sea salt, olive oil

Sweets
Assorted House Made Mini Pastries

WEDNESDAY
Irving Park

An upcharge per person is applicable when selecting a different day of the week menu.

## Irving Park

Minimum io people. Maximum of 90 minutes of service. Coffee and hot tea service included.

## Salads

Mixed Green Salad
baby greens, carrot, tomato, cucumber,
green goddess dressing

## Southern Style Potato Salad

yukon gold potatoes, house made pickle, hard cooked egg

## Macaroni Salad

roasted bell pepper, spring onion, celery

## Soup

White Bean Chili
crispy tortilla

## Hot Mains

Spice Rubbed Pork Shoulder potato roll, bourbon bbq

Mesquite Rotisserie Chicken alabama white bbq

## Mushroom Burnt Ends

bbq spice

## Sides

Roasted Corn
pearl onion, chipotle butter

## Baked Cavatappi

smoked gouda, garlic streusel

## Sweets

Assorted House Made Mini Pastries



Thursday
Monroe

An upcharge per person is applicable when selecting a different day of the week menu.

## Monroe

Minimum io people. Maximum of 90 minutes of service.
Coffee and hot tea service included.

Salads
Baby Arugula
heirloom tomato, red onion, apricot, cucumber, feta, citrus mint vinaigrette

## Hummus

garlic hummus, seasonal crudité

Orzo Pasta Salad
marinated olive, tomato, parmesan, parsley, olive oil

Soup
Spiced Lentil Soup

## Hot Mains

Shawarma Spiced Chicken Thigh
cucumber yogurt sauce

Pan Roasted Salmon
preserved lemon, dill
Falafel
crispy chick peas

## Sides

## Basmati Rice

golden raisins, toasted almond

## Charred Broccolini

Sweets
Assorted House Made Mini Pastries

Friday
Pilemen

An upcharge per person is applicable when selecting a different day of the week menu.

## Pilsen

Minimum io people. Maximum of 90 minutes of service. Coffee and hot tea service included.

## Salads

Black Bean Romaine Salad
heirloom corn, cotija, avocado lime vinaigrette

## Cucumber Watermelon Salad

queso fresco, tajin, cilantro

## Jicama Slaw

scallion, cilantro

## Soup

Chicken Tortilla Soup
crispy tortilla

## Hot Mains

Oaxacan Braised Beef
roasted chili salsa

Ancho Chile Chicken
cilantro garlic sauce

Cumin-Scented Baked Sweet Potatoes green chilies, pepitas

## Sides

Pinto Beans

Mexican Rice

## weets

Assorted House Made Mini Pastries



## SATURDAY

Taylor Street

## An upcharge per person is applicable when selecting a different day of the week menu.

## Taylor Stree

Minimum to people. Maximum of 90 minutes of service Coffee and hot tea service included

## Salads

Tomato Mozzarell
heirloom tomato, arugula, fresh mozzarella, basi, aged balsamic

## Romaine Caesar Salad

garlic ciabatta, parmesan reggiano, oven roasted tomato, caesar dressing

Rotini Pasta Salad
salami, artichoke, giardiniera vinaigrette
soup
Minestrone Soup
kidney bean, garden vegetable, parmes

## Hot Mains

Pan Roasted Chicken Breast
cacciatore tomato sauce, rosemary

Locally Sourced Italian Sausage
caramelized onion, sweet bell pepper

## siago Cheese Tortellini

roasted pepper cream sauce, green peas, parmesan
Sides

Haricots Verts
pinenuts, lemon

## ingerling Potatoe

parmesan, herbs

## weets

Assorted House Made Mini Pastries

## SUNDAY <br> State Street

## An upcharge per person is applicable when selecting a different day of the week menu.

## State Street

Minimum to people. Maximum of 90 minutes of service Coffee and hot tea service included.

## Salads

Garden Greens
cherry tomatoes, cucumbers, shaved radish,
dijon mustard-shallot vinaigrette

## Chicago Style Potato Salad

eggs, scallions, celery, smokehouse bacon

## Pasta Salad

broccoli, bell peppers, onions, celery, bowtie pasta, olive

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Organic Chicken Noodle

## Hot Mains

Roasted Turkey Breas
herb marinated, rosemary grav

Smoked Brisket
caramelized onion, sweet bell pepper

## aked Ziti

san marzano tomato, mozzarella

Sides
ukon Gold Gratin
parmesan, thyme

Pastrami Spiced Baby Carrot

Sweets
Assorted House Made Mini Pastries



## Plated

Lunches
Minimum of I2 people. Maximum of 90 minutes of service Select one starter, one entrée and one dessert. Coffee and hot tea service included.

## Salad Starters

Caesar Salad
romaine hearts, parmesan reggiano, herbed ciabatta,
classic ceasar dressing

## Baby Iceberg Wedge Salad

heirloom tomatos, pickled red onion, gorgonzola,
buttermilk ranch dressing
Palmer House Mixed Greens
bibb lettuce, red oak, chicory, cherry tomato, radish, champagne vinaigrette

## Desserts

Tiramisu
espresso, mascarpone
Vanilla Bean Cheesecak
graham cracker crumble, berry ge
Apple Tart
salted caramel

## Soup Starters

Fire Roasted Tomato and Red Pepper Bisque
Cream of Leek and Yukon Gold Potato
Tuscan Sausage and White Bean Soup

## Entrées

Free Range Bone-In Chicken Breast
roasted marble potato, grilled asparagus, meyer lemon, garlic herb jus

## Serb Roasted Chicken Brea

grilled artichoke risotto, haricot vert, blistered cherry tomato, pesto

## Grilled Beef Sirloin

pearl onions, hen of the woods mushrooms,
boursin cheese polenta, french beans

## Blackened Salmon

parsnip puree, heirloom carrot, garlic spinach, bouillabaisse

## Portobello Mushroom Raviol

san marzano tomato, parmesan, fresh basil
Vegan Eggplant and Roasted Vegetable Lattice seasonal vegetable cous cous, sautéed spinach, roasted pepper coulis

## Salad Entrées

Seared Ahi Salad
field greens, french beans, olive tapenade, teardrop tomato, herb vinaigrette

## Soy Marinated Steak Salad

mixed greens, green onion, pickled shaved carrot, ginger, bell pepper, sambal vinaigrette

## An Appetite FOR CULTURE

with Restaurant Executive Sous Chef Jason Schroeder

Growing up, I was always ATTRACTED TO FOOD. I definitely was the kid that would rather watch a cooking show any day over a cartoon. I think it was the way that my family introduced food to me. It was always a time for us to be together and enjoy one another's company in a way that kept a busy little boy occupied. One of my fondest memories was every Friday night, my family would have our grocery shopping and pizza night. We would make the dough right after we got home from school, giving the dough time to proof and then head out to the grocery store to select fresh ingredients for our toppings and for the weekly provisions.

Cooking and reading was really my escape and still is to this day. School was rather boring to me unless it was math or reading, which ironically are the two things, in my opinion, that a chef really needs to excel. I credit my mother with my love of books and reading. Reading opened my eyes to other cultures and countries and I was absolutely fascinated by what they ate and it only made me more curious about pursuing a career path into the culinary world. I had this immediate desire to recreate the dishes I read about for myself and to literally have a taste of culture that I had yet to experience for myself.

Working in restaurants since I was I5, has only made me want to be in a kitchen more. If you've never worked in a kitchen before, I can tell you several things that are certain - it's loud, it's brash and it's fast. And the people have always been some of the most creative, inspiring individuals from all walks of life who challenge you to be your very best and definitely make each and every day absolutely interesting and nothing short of fun.

Food for me has always been that bright spot. During culinary school I excelled, which was a refreshing experience having struggled to stay focused in the traditional school landscape. I had a passion for what I was learning and from that moment knew for certain it was what I was always meant to do. Living in Chicago at the time really perpetuated my culinary growth with the diversity and ethnic foods that you might not get to experience in small metropolitan cities or small towns.


## Stations

Minimum of 25 people. Maximum of 90 minutes of service.
Chef and server fees are an additional cost.

## Antipasti

slow roasted marinated vegetables | kalamata olive | ciligenie in pesto | san danielle ham | capicola | mortadella

## Artisan Cheese

garnished with dried fruit and berries | candied walnuts | crackers and lavosh

## Vegetables

seasonal fresh vegetables | pickled peppers | assorted olives | hummus | buttermilk ranch

## Seafood

chilled garlic roasted jumbo shrimp | snow crab claws | maryland crab cakes | horseradish cocktail and mustard sauce

Pasta - choice of two pastas baked ziti | meatballs | marinara | mozzarella farfalle |seasonal garden vegetables | pesto rigatoni bolognese | fresh herbed ricotta penne alla vodka | roasted organic chicken| asparagus garlic breadsticks | parmesan | crushed red pepper

Dim Sum Display
hicken, pork, and vegetable dumplings | edamame | crispy vegetable spring rolls | sweet ginger soy | plum sauce | thai chili

## latbreads

margarita | Italian sausage and cherry pepper |
wild mushroom, caramelized shallot, truffle

Sushi
california | spicy tuna | vegetable | shrimp tempura maki | soy sauce | pickled ginger | wasabi

## sliders - choice of three

angus beef, turkey, black bean, bbq pork, crab cake | sriracha ketcup | dijonaise | truffle mayonnaise | sliced pickle | merican cheese | cheddar cheese | house made potato chips



Carving
Stations
Minimum of 25 people. Maximum of 90 minutes of service.
Chef and server fees are an additional cos

Grass-Fed Strip Loin
smoked sea salt, classic steak sauce, brioche rolls

Prime Rib Roast
horseradish crust, natural jus, creamy horseradish, brioche roll
Leg of Lamb
emon, oregano, tzatziki, pita

Churrasco Flank Steak
himichurri, silver dollar roll

## hort Rib

one-in, barbacoa style, salsa verde, warm tortillas

Beef Brisket
dry rub, texas bbq, corn bread

Turkey Breast
apple brined, rosemary gravy, cranberry aioli, silver dollar rolls

Whole Roasted Cauliflower
harissa, mint , naan

HORSD'OUEVRES Minimum of 50 pieces of each item

COLD

Deviled Egg, Black Truffle, Maitake Mushroom

Tomato Basil Bruschetta, Fresh Mozzarella

Prosciutto Wrapped Grilled Asparagus
Roasted Duck Breast, Brioche, Dried Cherry

Beef Tenderloin Crostini, Boursin Cheese, Horseradish

Tuna Poke, White Soy, Sambal, Wasabi

Roasted Vegetable Antipasto Skewers

Smoked Salmon, Herbed Cream Cheese, Dark Rye, Caper
HOT

Beef Wellington, Mushroom Duxelle, Demi Glace
Coconut Crusted Shrimp, Sweet Chili

Bacon Wrapped Dates, Piquillo Pepper, Roasted Tomato
Artichoke Beignet, Boursin, Parmesan, Tomato Basil

Chicken Empanada, Chimichurri
Maryland Crab Cakes, Sriracha Remoulade

Vegetable Potsticker, Sweet Soy

Sea Scallops, Applewood Baco

Baked Brie, Apricot, Puff Pastry



## Kitchen TO CockTAIL

Food Components have always had A PLACE IN COCKTAIL FAVORITES, but a new trend finds the culinary and cocktail worlds merging more than ever before. Meal-themed cocktails are emerging in restaurants and bars with distinctive characteristics and make for a memorable experience.

Another element of this trend is vegetable juice based cocktails versus traditionalfruit juice. Many vegetables have distinct flavors of sweet, earthy or spicy, and pairing that with the right spirit can make a delicious and healthier creation. In the cooler months, a bone broth base makes for a savory "stocktail" that is comforting and warm. Not only are the drinks themselves crave-worthy and interesting, but an added component that pushes innovation and expectation. It adds a fun dynamic among attendees, asking them to consider the texture and presentation.

The art of a culinary inspired cocktail can often be a gastronomical feat. Flavor pairing is carefully considered to balance sweet with spicy or bitter umami. Cutting-edge tools and techniques are used to get the blend of flavors, textures, and intrigue just right; from a centrifuge that is used to clarify oils and seperate fats, a dehydrator for epic garnosh, or liquid nitrogen for ice cream or sorbet cocktails. The creation of the cocktail can become as much a part of the experience as drinking it.

From Kitchen to the bar, these cocktails are as much about the unforgettable experience as they are the taste.


Plated

## DinNERS

Minimum of 25 people. Maximum of 90 minutes of service Select one starter, one entrée and one dessert.

## Salad Starters

Baby Gem Salad
marcona almond, manchego cheese, olive tapenade, sherry vinaigrette
Heirloom Tomato Mozarella Salad
fresh mozzarella, basil, balsamic dressing
Romaine Hearts
toasted hazelnut, dried cherry, white cheddar,
fuji apple vinaigrette
Cucumber Ribbon Salad
dried cranberry, toasted walnut, brie cheese
red wine vinaigrette

## Soup Starters

Forest Mushroom
Asparagus and Spinach Bisque
Charred Heirloom Tomato

## Desserts

Chicago Style Brownie
cheese popcorn cremeaux, candied pecan
Key Lime Tart
orched meringue
Hazelnut
salted caramel, financier, chocolate mousse

## Entrées

Zinfandel Braised Beef Short Ribs
reamy polenta, broccolini, wild mushroom conserva, zinfandel demi

## Beef Tenderloin

wild mushroom risotto, grilled asparagus, roasted pepper, chimichurri

## Herb Roasted Salmon

roasted garlic mashed, french beans, roasted tomato, lemon caper sauce

## lackened Mahi-Mahi

seasonal succotash, garlic spinach, roasted marble potato, bouillabaisse

## Roasted Chicken Breast

farro risotto, brussels sprouts, heirloom carrot, cider mustard reduction

## Herbed Chicken

yukon gold gratinee, roasted carrot, asparagus, rosemary jus

## Vegan Eggplant and Roasted Vegetable Lattice

easonal vegetable cous cous, sautéed spinach,
roasted pepper coulis

Roasted Cauliflower
áatar, golden raisin quinoa pilaf, seasonal squash,
marcona almond, harissa yogurt

## Important Things to Know

## . Pricing

Prices are subject to change and will be confirmed upon placement of order. All selections are subject to $18.5 \%$ gratuity, $8 \%$ service charge and prevailing tax. Service charges are not gratuities, see definition in your Sales Agreement.

## 2. Anticipated Attendance and Final Guarantees

Expected attendance numbers (noted as EXP on the Banquet Event Orders) for your events must be submitted by 8:00 AM local time, io business days prior to the first scheduled event. Final guarantees (noted as GTD on the Banquet Event Orders) are due by 8:00 AM, local time, three (3) business days prior to the first scheduled event and cannot be reduced after this time. Guarantees for Monday should be due by the previous Wednesday, guarantees for Tuesday should be due the previous Thursday and guarantees for Wednesday should be due the previous Friday by i2:00pm. If final guarantees are not received, the expected attendance numbers will be the basis for billing purposes. Final guarantees are to be within $10 \%$ of the expected attendance numbers or additional charges will apply. If a final guarantee is reduced by more than $10 \%$ of the expected attendance number, the hotel will add a supplemental charge equal to the menu price per person multiplied by the difference between the expected attendance less $10 \%$ and the final guarantee. If a final guarantee is increased by more than $10 \%$ of the expected attendance, the hotel will add a supplement charge to cover rush orders and overtime equal to $15 \%$ of the menu price multiplied by the difference the final guarantee and the expected attendance plus $10 \%$. Additionally, the contracted menu items may not be available for the additional guests added. You will be charged for the final guarantee, or number of guests served, whichever is greater. Hotel will only prepare food based on the final guarantees, and will not set rooms (noted as SET onthe Banquet Even Orders) for more than $3 \%$ over the final guarantees.

## 3. Additional Charges

Groups/Events under Guest Minimum
An Extra Facility Charge of \$12 per person will apply to buffets with fewer than (25) guests,

## Cleaning

Additional Facility fees will apply for use of glitter, confetti and/or similar items.

## 4. Labor Charges

Chefs \& Attendant Fees
Chef and Attendant for food stations (carving, omelet, etc.): $\$ 300$ per Chef for up to 90 minutes and $\$ 85$ per additional hour Applicable tax will be added

## Meeting Room/ Area Set Change

Once a room is set, an additional charge of $\$ 250$ to $\$ 5,000$ will be charged based on the room and set change

## Staff Ratios

Please note that additional Server fees and/or Bar Facility fees, plus gratuity will be assessed for additional staffing above and beyond our standard staffing ratios.

| Function Type | Table Set-Up | \# of Guests | \# of Servers |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Breakfast |  |  |  |
| Continental Breakfast | No | 100 | 1 |
| Breakfast Buffet | Yes | 40 | 1 |
| Plated Breakfast | Yes | 20 | I |
| Lunch |  |  |  |
| Plated Lunch | Yes | 20 | I |
| Buffet Lunch | Yes | 40 | 1 |
| Box lunch with Soda | No | 80 | I |
| Dinner |  |  |  |
| Plated Dinner | Yes | 15 | 1 |
| Buffet Dinner | Yes | 40 | I |
| Receptions |  |  |  |
| Buffet Reception (Display or Passing) | No | 50 | I |
| Light Reception Cheese and Vegetable Display (No passing) | No | 75 | I |
| Buffet Reception (No passing) | No | 75 | I |
| Hosted Bar Only | No | 100 | 1 |
| Ticketed Bar | No | I server/bar | 1 |
| Coffee Breaks |  |  |  |
| Coffee/Soda/Food | No | 100 | 1 |
| Coffee/Soda Only | No | 100 | I |


| Bar Type | \# of Guests | \# of Bartenders |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Beer, Wine, and Soft Drinks | $\mathrm{I}-\mathrm{TOO}$ | I |
|  | $\mathrm{IOI}-200$ | 2 |
|  | $20 \mathrm{I}-300$ | 3 |
|  | $30 \mathrm{I}-400$ | 4 |
|  | $40 \mathrm{I}-500$ | 5 |
| Bar Type |  |  |
|  | $\mathrm{I}-\mathrm{IOO}$ | I |
|  | $\mathrm{IOI}-200$ | 2 |
|  | $20 \mathrm{I}-300$ | 3 |
|  | $30 \mathrm{I}-400$ | 4 |
|  | $40 \mathrm{I}-500$ | 5 |

## Important Things

 to Know5. Liquor Sale Hours in the State of Illinois
"'Last Call" is at I:30am with bars closing no later than 2:00 am.
6. Food and Beverage Policies

Due to licensing requirements and quality-control issues, all food and beverage to be served on Hotel property must be supplied and prepared by Hotel and may not be removed from Hotel property. Alternate menu selections (vegetarian, etc.) will be deducted from the total guarantee. Should either the number of alternates or the designated entrée not be adequate in amount, you will be asked to confirm in writing whether or not to incur the additional cost of preparing more entrées or alternates. Please also note that consuming raw or uncooked meats, poultry, seafood, shellfish or eggs may increase your risk of food borne illness.
7. Audio Visual and Lighting

Encore Is our exclusive on-site audio visual company. We offer state-of-the-art equipment available on a rental basis. Your Catering \& Events Manager can assist.



