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2020  
AWARDS  
FOR  
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# 2020

## R&CA Awards for Excellence

### NEW SOUTH WALES & AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY WINNERS & FINALIST LIST

#### SYDNEY RESTAURANT AWARDS

##### ASIAN RESTAURANT

*Sponsored by Menulog*

**WINNER** - Chin Chin, SURRY HILLS  
China Doll, WOOLLOOMOOLOO  
China Lane, SYDNEY  
Hello Auntie Darling Square, HAYMARKET

##### BREAKFAST RESTAURANT

*Sponsored by Entertainment Memberships*

H2O Café, NARRABEEN  
Kepos Street Kitchen, REDFERN  
Manly Wine, MANLY  
Sokyo - The Star, PYRMONT  
Speedo's Café, NORTH BONDI  
The Pantry, MANLY  
**WINNER** - TURKA Café | Meze | Bar, CROWS NEST

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### BURGER BAR

*Sponsored by Malt Shovel*

Embers Charcoal Kitchen, CAMPBELLTOWN

Fuel - The Star, PYRMONT

Monkey Bun - Pittwater RSL, MONA VALE

**WINNER** - Sunset Diner, AVALON

### CAFÉ DINING

*Sponsored by Deputy*

Café Patina, WAHROONGA

Kepos Street Kitchen, REDFERN

Next Door, CRONULLA

The North Spoon, McMAHONS POINT

**WINNER** - The Tea Room QVB, SYDNEY

Zucchero Caffè Bar, ARTARMON

### CHINESE RESTAURANT

*Sponsored by Menulog*

Chefs Gallery, SYDNEY

**WINNER** - China Diner, BONDI

Golden Century Seafood Restaurant, SYDNEY

The Century, PYRMONT

XOPP, HAYMARKET

### COFFEE SHOP

*Sponsored by Foodie Coaches*

Caffeine Cartel, SYDNEY

Courtyard Café, Castle Hill RSL Club - CASTLE HILL

**WINNER** - Jardin St James, SYDNEY

The Barista - Club Parramatta, PARRAMATTA

The Verandah - Moorebank Sports Club, HAMMONDVILLE

### CONTEMPORARY AUSTRALIAN RESTAURANT - FORMAL

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**WINNER** - Bathers' Pavilion, MOSMAN

Sails on Lavender Bay, McMAHONS POINT





### CONTEMPORARY AUSTRALIAN RESTAURANT - INFORMAL

*Sponsored by American Express*

Dunbar House, WATSONS BAY  
Green Moustache, NORTH SYDNEY  
Public Dining Room, BALMORAL BEACH  
Rashays, TOP RYDE  
Ripples, MILSONS POINT

**WINNER** - Ripples Chowder Bay, MOSMAN

The Fenwick, BALMAIN EAST  
The Neilsen, VAUCLUSE  
The Pantry, MANLY  
William Blue Dining, THE ROCKS

### EUROPEAN RESTAURANT

*Sponsored by Sanpellegrino & Acqua Panna*

**WINNER** - Brasserie L'Entrecote, PYMBLE  
The Matterhorn, TURRAMURRA

### FINE DINING RESTAURANT

*Sponsored by Sanpellegrino & Acqua Panna*

Aria Restaurant, SYDNEY  
**WINNER** - Tetsuya's, SYDNEY

### GREEK RESTAURANT

*Sponsored by Alsco*

JAAKS Restaurant and Bar, KYLE BAY  
Medusa Greek Taverna, SYDNEY  
**WINNER** - The Apollo, POTTS POINT

### INDIAN / SUB-CONTINENT RESTAURANT

*Sponsored by The Fork – A Tripadvisor Company*

**WINNER** - Delhi 'O' Delhi, NEWTOWN  
Dhakshin Gourmet, CROWS NEST  
INDU, SYDNEY  
Lal Qila Darling Harbour, SYDNEY  
Masala Theory, SURRY HILLS  
Moksha Indian Restaurant, JANNALI  
The Muglan, SYDNEY  
Urban Tadka, TERREY HILLS



#### ITALIAN RESTAURANT - FORMAL

*Sponsored by The Fork – A Tripadvisor Company*

Aqua Dining, MILSONS POINT

Corso Brio, BARANGAROO

**WINNER** - Ormeggio at The Spit, MOSMAN

Pilu at Freshwater, FRESHWATER

The Restaurant Pendolino, SYDNEY

#### ITALIAN RESTAURANT – INFORMAL

*Sponsored by The Fork – A Tripadvisor Company*

Bel & Brio - Bar & Dining, BARANGAROO

Chiosco by Ormeggio, MOSMAN

Entrata Restaurant, GLENHAVEN

I Maccheroni, WOOLLAHRA

**WINNER** - La Rosa The Strand, SYDNEY

Machiavelli Restaurant, SYDNEY

Noi, PETERSHAM

Pino's Vino e Cucina, ALEXANDRIA

Via Alta, WILLOUGHBY

#### JAPANESE RESTAURANT

*Sponsored by PorkStar*

**WINNER** - Azuma, SYDNEY

Kid Kyoto, SYDNEY

RawBar, BONDI BEACH

Sanpo Japanese Restaurant, ROSEBERY

Sokyo - The Star, PYRMONT

#### MIDDLE EASTERN RESTAURANT

*Sponsored by Hostplus*

Kazbah Darling Harbour, SYDNEY

**WINNER** - Kepos & Co, WATERLOO

Zahli Restaurant, SURRY HILLS

#### PIZZA RESTAURANT

*Sponsored by AlSCO*

**WINNER** - Arte Bianca, DOUBLE BAY

Hugos, MANLY

Motza Pizza, CASTLECRAIG





### RESTAURANT IN A PUB/CLUB/TAVERN

#### *Sponsored by Malt Shovel*

Courtyard Restaurant - Castle Hill RSL Club, CASTLE HILL

Cove Bar and Grill - Sporties @ Kareela Golf, KAREELA

Indulge Brasserie - Moorebank Sports Club, HAMMONDVILLE

Kyubi Modern Asian Dining - Campbelltown Catholic Club, CAMPBELLTOWN

MaZi - Lantern Club, ROSELANDS

The Country Kitchen - Lynwood Country Club, PITT TOWN

The Garden - Wests Ashfield Leagues Club, ASHFIELD

The Oven - Club Parramatta, PARRAMATTA

**WINNER** - The Wine Room - Balgowlah RSL Memorial Club, SEAFORTH

Watergrill - Cronulla RSL Club, CRONULLA

Watergrill - Kirribilli Club, LAVENDER BAY

### SEAFOOD RESTAURANT - FORMAL

#### *Sponsored by Entertainment Memberships*

Flying Fish - The Star, PYRMONT

**WINNER** - Omeros on the Beach, RAMSGATE BEACH

Walsh Bay Crabhouse, MILLERS POINT

### SEAFOOD RESTAURANT - INFORMAL

#### *Sponsored by Entertainment Memberships*

Fish Café, BALGOWLAH

**WINNER** - Garfish, MANLY

Sealevel Restaurant, CRONULLA

The Sydney Cove Oyster Bar, SYDNEY

### SPECIALTY RESTAURANT

#### *Sponsored by Menulog*

Coya, CROMER

Hurricane's Grill, DARLING HARBOUR

Mejico, SYDNEY

**WINNER** - Mercado, SYDNEY

Momo Bar, DEE WHY



### STEAK RESTAURANT - FORMAL

*Sponsored by Salena Estate*

6 Head, THE ROCKS

**WINNER** - BLACK Bar & Grill - The Star, PYRMONT  
Kingsleys, WOOLLOOMOOLOO  
The Meat & Wine Co, BARANGAROO

### STEAK RESTAURANT - INFORMAL

*Sponsored by Salena Estate*

Hurricane's Grill, BONDI BEACH

**WINNER** - Hurricane's Grill, NARELLAN  
Hurricane's Grill, TOP RYDE  
Outback Steakhouse Campbelltown, LEUMEAH

### THAI RESTAURANT

*Sponsored by Mr Yum*

**WINNER** - Betel Leaf @ Bathers', MOSMAN  
Thai Garden House Restaurant, NORTH PARRAMATTA  
Twelve Spices Thai & Lao Cuisine, CANLEY HEIGHTS

### TOURISM RESTAURANT

*Sponsored by Salena Estate*

**WINNER** - Gunner's Barracks, MOSMAN  
Icebergs Dining Room and Bar, BONDI BEACH

### TURKISH RESTAURANT

*Sponsored by Hostplus*

Anason, BARANGAROO

**WINNER** - Efendy, BALMAIN  
TURKA Café | Meze | Bar, CROWS NEST

### WINE BAR/BREWERY & BOUTIQUE SPIRITS

*Sponsored by Malt Shovel*

**WINNER** - Fix Wine Bar + Restaurant, SYDNEY  
Redoak, SYDNEY  
The Winery, SURRY HILLS





## NSW REGIONAL RESTAURANT AWARDS

### ASIAN RESTAURANT

*Sponsored by Menulog*

Centillion Chinese Restaurant, HILLVUE

**WINNER** - Nagisa Japanese Restaurant, NEWCASTLE

New Bo Wa Restaurant, MOREE

Raya Thai Restaurant, HELENSBURGH

### BREAKFAST RESTAURANT

*Sponsored by Entertainment Memberships*

Café Leura, LEURA

Mumm's on the Myall, TEA GARDENS

Point Café, AVOCA BEACH

Seasalt Restaurant - Crowne Plaza Terrigal Pacific, TERRIGAL

The Galley Kitchen @ The Anchorage Port Stephens, CORLETTE

**WINNER** - The River Deck, ALBURY

The Shaggy Cow, MITTAGONG

### CAFÉ DINING

*Sponsored by Deputy*

Bent on Food, WINGHAM

Hemingway Café and Bar, KEIRAVILLE

Point Café, AVOCA BEACH

Supply Specialty Coffee & Bar, COFFS HARBOUR

**WINNER** - The Shaggy Cow, MITTAGONG

### CONTEMPORARY AUSTRALIAN RESTAURANT - FORMAL

*Sponsored by American Express*

Birch Restaurant, MOSS VALE

**WINNER** - EXP Restaurant, POKOLBIN

South on Albany, BERRY



### CONTEMPORARY AUSTRALIAN RESTAURANT – INFORMAL (ACT & NSW REGIONAL)

*Sponsored by American Express*

Aromas on the Sea, TERRIGAL

Goldfish Bar & Restaurant, POKOLBIN

Harbour Bar, NEWCASTLE

Rashays, BELCONNEN

Steamers Bar & Grill, WOLLONGONG

**WINNER** - The Bon Pavilion, GOSFORD

The River Deck, ALBURY

### INDIAN/SUB-CONTINENT RESTAURANT

*Sponsored by The Fork – A Tripadvisor Company*

**WINNER** - Indian Tandoori Restaurant, ALBURY

Kohli's Indian Restaurant, NOWRA

Sapphire Indian Restaurant, MEREWETHER

Spices 29 Goan Indian Restaurant, WOY WOY

### ITALIAN RESTAURANT

*Sponsored by The Fork – A Tripadvisor Company*

**WINNER** - eRemo Restaurant, POKOLBIN

Il Cacciatore Restaurant, POKOLBIN

Vine & Tap, BATHURST

### MEXICAN RESTAURANT

*Sponsored by Foodie Coaches*

**HONOURABLE MENTION** - Taco Bill, ALBURY

### PIZZA RESTAURANT

*Sponsored by AlSCO*

**WINNER** - Figtree Gourmet Kitchen, FIGTREE

Sea Salt Ristorante Pizzeria, KINGSClIFF

### RESTAURANT IN A HOTEL/RESORT

*Sponsored by American Express*

Redsalt Restaurant - Crowne Plaza Hunter Valley, LOVEDALE

Seasalt Restaurant - Crowne Plaza Terrigal Pacific, TERRIGAL

**WINNER** - The Galley Kitchen @ The Anchorage Port Stephens, CORLETTE





### RESTAURANT IN A PUB/CLUB/TAVERN

#### *Sponsored by Malt Shovel*

Bridgeview Restaurant - Karuah RSL Cub, KARUAH

**WINNER** - Commonwealth Hotel Newcastle Restaurant, COOKS HILL

Harrigan's Hunter Valley, POKOLBIN

Luminous Bistro - Gosford RSL Club, WEST GOSFORD

The Valley Restaurant - Easts Leisure and Golf Club, EAST MAITLAND

Ziva - The Ary Toukley, TOUKLEY

### RESTAURANT IN A WINERY

#### *Sponsored by American Express*

Centennial Vineyards Restaurant, BOWRAL

Esca Bimbadgen Restaurant, POKOLBIN

**WINNER** - The Gates Restaurant - Leogate Estate Wines, POKOLBIN

Vines Restaurant at Hollydene, JERRYS PLAINS

### SEAFOOD RESTAURANT

#### *Sponsored by Entertainment Memberships*

Harbourfront Seafood Restaurant, WOLLONGONG

Merimbula Aquarium & Wharf Restaurant, MERIMBULA

Mumm's on the Myall, TEA GARDENS

**WINNER** - The Wild Herring @ The Anchorage Port Stephens, CORLETTE

### THAI RESTAURANT

#### *Sponsored by Mr Yum*

**WINNER** - Paste Australia, MITTAGONG

Thaigga, WAGGA WAGGA

### TOURISM RESTAURANT

#### *Sponsored by Salena Estate*

Rick Stein at Bannisters, MOLLYMOOK BEACH

The River Deck, ALBURY

**WINNER** - Vines Restaurant at Hollydene, JERRYS PLAINS

### WINE BAR/BREWERY & BOUTIQUE SPIRITS

#### *Sponsored by Malt Shovel*

Mountain Culture Beer Co, KATOOMBA

**WINNER** - Southern Highlands Brewing Taphouse, MOSS VALE



## AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY RESTAURANT AWARDS

### BREAKFAST RESTAURANT

*Sponsored by Entertainment Memberships*

**WINNER** - Ricardo's Café, MACQUARIE  
Space Kitchen, PHILIP  
Tilley's Devine Café Gallery, LYNEHAM

### CAFÉ DINING

*Sponsored by Deputy*

Café Gather, BRADDON  
**WINNER** - The Tea Lounge - Hyatt Hotel Canberra, YARRALUMLA

### COFFEE SHOP

*Sponsored by Foodie Coaches*

**WINNER** - Ricardo's Café, MACQUARIE  
Space Kitchen, PHILIP

### CONTEMPORARY AUSTRALIAN RESTAURANT - FORMAL

*Sponsored by American Express*

OTIS Dining Hall, KINGSTON  
**WINNER** - The Boat House, BARTON

### EUROPEAN RESTAURANT

*Sponsored by Sanpellegrino & Acqua Panna*

**WINNER** - Blackfire Restaurant, BRADDON  
Buvette Bistro & Wine Bar, BARTON

### INDIAN/SUB-CONTINENT RESTAURANT

*Sponsored by The Fork – A Tripadvisor Company*

Blu Ginger Indian Restaurant, CANBERRA  
Chalisa Indian Restaurant, GREENWAY  
**WINNER** - Daana, CURTIN

### ITALIAN RESTAURANT

*Sponsored by The Fork – A Tripadvisor Company*

Italian & Sons, BRADDON  
Mezzalira on London, CANBERRA  
**WINNER** - Molto Italian, KINGSTON  
Trecento Restaurant, MANUKA





#### JAPANESE RESTAURANT

*Sponsored by PorkStar*

**HONOURABLE MENTION** - RAKU Dining, CANBERRA

#### RESTAURANT IN A CLUB

*Sponsored by Malt Shovel*

**WINNER** - Chatham House Restaurant - National Press Club of Australia, BARTON  
Federal Golf Club Restaurant, RED HILL

#### RESTAURANT IN A HOTEL

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**WINNER** - Capitol Bar and Grill - QT Canberra, CANBERRA  
Monster Kitchen and Bar - Ovolo Nishi, CANBERRA  
Ostani - Hotel Realm, BARTON

#### RESTAURANT IN A WINERY

*Sponsored by American Express*

Café Lerida - Lerida Estate, LAKE GEORGE  
**WINNER** - Olleyville Restaurant - Shaw Vineyard Estate, MURRAMBATEMAN  
Pavilion Dining - Pialligo Estate, PIALLIGO

#### TOURISM RESTAURANT

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**HONOURABLE MENTION** - Blackfire Restaurant, BRADDON

### SYDNEY CATERING AWARDS

#### EVENTS CATERER

*Sponsored by Funktionality*

**HONOURABLE MENTION** - Australian Turf Club - Royal Randwick Racecourse, RANDWICK

#### FUNCTION/CONVENTION CENTRE CATERER

*Sponsored by AlSCO*

**WINNER** - Australian Turf Club - Rosehill Gardens Racecourse, ROSEHILL  
Luna Park Sydney, MILSONS POINT  
Navarra Venues - Curzon Hall, MARSFIELD  
Navarra Venues - Le Montage, LILYFIELD  
The Kyle Bay on George's River, KYLE BAY



### SITE/INDUSTRIAL CATERER

*Sponsored by Deputy*

**WINNER** - Caterez Trading Pty Ltd - Resmed, BELLA VISTA  
Create Consultants - National Art School Café, DARLINGHURST

### VENUE CATERER

*Sponsored by Lefand*

Bankwest Stadium, PARRAMATTA  
**WINNER** - Sergeant's Mess, MOSMAN

### WEDDING CATERER

*Sponsored by Salena Estate*

Doltone House - Darling Island, PYRMONT  
Doltone House - Hyde Park, SYDNEY  
Doltone House - Jones Bay Wharf, PYRMONT  
Doltone House - Sylvania Waters, SYLVANIA WATERS  
**WINNER** - Luna Park Sydney, MILSONS POINT  
Navarra Venues - Conca D'oro, RIVERWOOD  
Navarra Venues - Curzon Hall, MARSFIELD  
Navarra Venues - Le Montage, LILYFIELD  
Navarra Venues - Oatlands House, OATLANDS  
The Kyle Bay on Georges River, KYLE BAY

## NSW REGIONAL CATERING AWARDS

### EVENT CATERER

*Sponsored by Funktionality*

City Beach Function Centre, WOLLONGONG  
Peterson House, POKOLBIN  
**WINNER** - Sprout Catering, BROADMEADOW

### RESTAURANT CATERER

*Sponsored by Salena Estate*

**HONOURABLE MENTION** - Restaurant Cuvee, POKOLBIN





#### WEDDING CATERER

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**WINNER** - City Beach Function Centre, WOLLONGONG  
Peterson House, POKOLBIN  
Sprout Catering, BROADMEADOW

### AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY CATERING AWARDS

#### FUNCTION CONVENTION CENTRE CATERER

*Sponsored by AlSCO*

**WINNER** - Hotel Realm, BARTON  
National Press Club of Australia, BARTON

#### WEDDING CATERER

*Sponsored by Salena Estate*

**HONOURABLE MENTION** - Hotel Realm, BARTON

### FAST CASUAL DINING AWARD (NATIONAL)

*Sponsored by Hostplus*

Betty's Burgers & Concrete Co, NOOSA  
Butter, SURRY HILLS  
**WINNER** - Hello Auntie, MARRICKVILLE  
Lord of the Wings, CARINDALE  
Schnitz, BALLARAT

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## CONSUMER VOTE AWARD

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### AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

**WINNER** - Daana, CURTIN

Lamshed's, YARRALUMLA

Spice Affair, CASEY

Zaab, BRADDON

### NEW SOUTH WALES REGIONAL

Figtree Gourmet Kitchen, FIGTREE

Il Cacciatore Restaurant, POKOLBIN

**WINNER** - Vines Restaurant at Hollydene, JERRYS PLAINS

### SYDNEY

Delhi 'O' Delhi, NEWTOWN

Fish Café, BALGOWLAH

Public Dining Room, BALMORAL BEACH

Thai Garden House Restaurant, NORTH PARRAMATTA

**WINNER** - The Sydney Cove Oyster Bar, SYDNEY

## NEW SOUTH WALES HOSPITALITY AWARDS

### APPRENTICE CHEF OF THE YEAR

*Sponsored by Hostplus*

Jaspa McMillan - Café La Maison

Sarah Musico - The Star Culinary Institute, The Star Sydney

**WINNER** - Tally Argent - Three Blue Ducks

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### CHEF OF THE YEAR

#### *Sponsored by PorkStar*

Adam Tyl - Public Dining Room

Alex Patterson - The Ary Toukley

Ashraf Saleh - Coya

Elie Abi Rached - Zahli Restaurant

**WINNER** - George Diamond - Trippas White Group

Gerry Maher - Australian Turf Club

Krzysztof Swieninski - Sydney Cove Oyster Bar

Marcello Farioli - I Maccheroni

Vincent Liew - The Star Sydney

### PRODUCT SUPPLIER OF THE YEAR

#### *Sponsored by Restaurant & Catering*

Australian Food Microbiology

De Groots Media

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First Table

FoodByUs

**WINNER** - Foodie Coaches

Lefand Pty Ltd

Troys Hospitality Staff

## AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY HOSPITALITY AWARDS

### CHEF OF THE YEAR

#### *Sponsored by PorkStar*

Damien Brabender - OTIS Dining Hall

John Santos - Federal Golf Club

**WINNER** - Sanjay Kumar - Daana

### PRODUCT SUPPLIER OF THE YEAR

#### *Sponsored by Restaurant & Catering*

**WINNER** - AC&R Catering Equipment

Foodie Coaches



## HOSPO HEROES AWARDS

*Sponsored by Hostplus*

**AWARDED TO** - Colin Fassnidge

**AWARDED TO** - Hope Delivery

**AWARDED TO** - Kepos & Co

## PIVOT & INNOVATION AWARD

*Sponsored by Uber Eats*

**AWARDED TO** - Al Aseel, GREENACRE

**AWARDED TO** - Catalina, ROSE BAY

**AWARDED TO** - Rashays, CHESTER HILL

## MAJOR AWARDS

### RESTAURATEUR OF THE YEAR

**WINNER** – Robert Molines

### LIFETIME ACHIEVER

**WINNER** – Miccal Cummins

### CATERER OF THE YEAR

*Sponsored by Malt Shovel*

**SYDNEY WINNER** - Luna Park Sydney, MILSONS POINT

**REGIONAL NSW WINNER** - Sprout Catering, BROADMEADOW

**ACT WINNER** - Hotel Realm, BARTON

### CASUAL DINING OF THE YEAR

*Sponsored by Alsco*

**SYDNEY WINNER** - The Tea Room QVB, SYDNEY

**REGIONAL NSW WINNER** - The Shaggy Cow, MITTAGONG

**ACT WINNER** - The Tea Lounge - Hyatt Hotel Canberra, YARRALUMLA



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**ACT WINNER** - Molto Italian, KINGSTON

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