

Michael's on the Hill

Vermont's 2007 Chef of the Year



Chef Michael Kloeti Honored

Michael Kloeti, Chef/owner of Michael's on the Hill Restaurant in Waterbury Center, has been named Vermont Chef of the Year by the Vermont Hospitality Council. The Council is a division of the Vermont Chamber of Commerce, comprised of the Vermont Chamber's travel and tourism members, as well as members from the former Vermont Lodging and Restaurant Association.

Chef Kloeti was honored because of his contributions within the hospitality industry and the community, and his noteworthy cooking expertise.

He received his award from Governor Douglas at a gala event at the Basin Harbor Club, and will be a guest chef at the New England Food Service and Lodging Expo in Boston this April.

Born, raised and trained in Switzerland, Chef Kloeti moved to the United States 15 years ago to enrich his classical French cooking background with other cultures.

As a result, he worked in a variety of settings ranging from New York City's 4-star Lespinasse to upcountry comfort food at the Lodge at Koele in Lanai, Hawaii. The invitation to run the St. Regis Hotel as Chef de Cuisine brought him back to Manhattan, and his decision to raise his family in Vermont led him to the



eventual opening of Michael's on the Hill Restaurant.

The restaurant celebrated its 5th year anniversary in June, and offers innovative European cuisine with the perfect blend of American Regional influence. As members of the Vermont Fresh Network, The Slow Food Movement and Local First Vermont, the use of local, organic products are of premier importance. He passionately supports the movement towards sustainable agriculture in Vermont.

Through a variety of venues, Michael does his best to educate the public on the importance of eating locally produced products, and is particularly

passionate about teaching children and their parents of the personal and global benefits.

Michael has been a featured chef on various television shows, and international magazines and has been invited as a guest chef at Disney World's International Food and Wine Festival for the past four years. He will be returning this November to represent the State of Vermont.

Chef Michael lives in Stowe with his wife/partner, Laura, and his two children, Alex and Eric.

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