



The
*Metropolitan Cooking & Entertaining*TM
Show

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Cobb Galleria Center, Atlanta, GA

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**PAULA DEEN, GIADA DE LAURENTIIS & HOST OF JAMES BEARD
NOMINEES BRING CULINARY EXPERTISE TO THE COBB GALLERIA CENTRE**
*Chefs Pano I. Karatassos and Eric Cutillo of Kyma to showcase culinary skills at
Metropolitan Cooking & Entertaining Show*

Atlanta – The weekend of April 30 and May 1, 2011 the Metropolitan Cooking & Entertaining Show will return to the Cobb Galleria Centre with special events featuring Food Network and Cooking Channel stars and renowned chefs from across the region hosting cooking demonstrations.

In addition to appearances by headliners Paula Deen and Giada De Laurentiis, the show will be honoring the James Beard Foundation on the cooking stage of its Culinary Center, where celebrated local and national chefs will be inspiring the audience with demonstrations on how to create awards winning dishes in their own kitchens. Pano I. Karatassos, Executive Chef of Kyma, and Eric Cutillo, Chef de Cuisine of Kyma, will be among the accomplished regional chefs to participate. Chef Pano is internationally known for his modern take on the Greek cuisine at Kyma. A part of Buckhead Life Restaurant Group, Kyma is an upscale Greek restaurant featuring contemporary and traditional Greek food, with special emphasis on seafood from the Aegean Sea.

The show will highlight product sampling and sales from more than 200 exhibitors representing an array of international specialty foods selections. Featured events

include celebrity book signings, a luncheon with Paula Deen, cooking classes for children, as well tasting and entertainment workshops.

General admission tickets are \$22 in advance and \$25 on-site. Children ages 4 – 12 are \$12 in advance and \$15 on-site. Children four and under are free. General admission includes demonstrations and entertaining presentations on the exhibit floor. Additional tickets are required for special events, such as a luncheon with Paula Deen and entry to the kids cooking stage. More special events may be found at www.MetroCooking.com.

Guests will be able to enjoy presentations and tastings by award winning chefs from across the Southeast including: Justin Keith of Atlanta's Food 101, cookbook author and TV personality Nathalie Dupree of Charleston and Louis Osteen of Nashville's Fish & Co. Chef participation is being updated daily. To see the latest participants, find more information about the show and to purchase tickets, please visit <http://www.metrocooking.com>.

About The Metropolitan Cooking & Entertaining Show

The Metropolitan Cooking & Entertaining Show was founded in 2006 by Denise Sullivan Medved, Founder & CEO. Denise is the author of two cookbooks: *The Tiny Kitchen Cooking and Entertaining* and *The Bachelor's Tiny Kitchen*. The Metropolitan Cooking & Entertaining Show is the culmination of her passion for cooking and entertaining, her success with The Tiny Kitchen cookbooks and more than 20 years experience in tradeshow and conference development.

Note: media registration may be found at:

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