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**The Craft Guild of Chefs & NZ-UK Link Foundation  
Culinary Challenge 2009**

**INVITATION TO ENTER**

Dear Colleague

The Craft Guild of Chefs and The NZ-UK Link Foundation are delighted to announce that this year's Culinary Challenge will take place at Westminster Kingsway College on 9 November 2009.

Once again we will offer the opportunity for a young chef to experience a unique all expenses paid three-week working holiday in New Zealand.

We would like to invite you to support this competition by nominating and entering a candidate(s) for this year's event; or alternatively you can take part yourself if you comply with the competition criteria.

Competitors should be between 18 and 23 years old as of 1<sup>st</sup> December 2009, in training or employment and hold a British passport.

Paper entries are required by **11 September 2009**. Eight successful finalists will compete on **9 November 2009** at Westminster Kingsway College, London. The winner will be offered an all expenses paid three-week trip to New Zealand to work in some of the top NZ restaurants.

The eight short-listed candidates and two nominated guests will be invited to an official Awards Ceremony, hosted by the NZ High Commissioner in the beautiful Penthouse Suite of New Zealand House, London in the early evening of 9 November. This venue has breathtaking 360° views of London, and directly overlooks Trafalgar Square. Guests will enjoy the culinary delights of Peter Gordon of The Providores, and some fine NZ wines supplied by Craggy Range. The Guest of Honour will present the winners with certificates and prizes.

Please find attached information on entering as well as rules and regulations. You can also view a video of last year's event at [www.nzuklinkfoundation.org/fellowships/nz-uk-link-foundation-culinary-challenge.php/](http://www.nzuklinkfoundation.org/fellowships/nz-uk-link-foundation-culinary-challenge.php/)

This is a unique opportunity and it is with this in mind that you have been invited to support this unique and exciting competition.

Yours sincerely

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