



THE ARTISAN CUP & FORK Chef Application

Thank you for applying to The Land Connection's Artisan Cup & Fork, a chef competition celebrating local foods. The event takes place on September 21, 2019 at Bluestem Hall.

Please complete the application questions and submit to jacquelyn@thelandconnection.org. If you would like to complete the application online, visit www.thelandconnection.org/event/artisan-cup-fork/.

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| Name | |
| Email Address | |
| Phone Number | |
| Restaurant/Company Associated with ('self-employed' or 'none' are acceptable answers) | |
| Brief Bio (background, style, etc.) | |
| Describe your locally produced and sourced "dream dish." This does not have to be the dish you intend to present at the competition. | |
| What local producers would you love to work with (have on your team)? Please note that requested producers are not guaranteed to be on your team. | |



COMPETITION REQUIREMENTS

As a chef participant of the Artisan Cup & Fork, you are required to...

- Plan, prepare, and serve approximately 300 tasting portions (2-3 bites) of a dish you develop in collaboration with the local farms and producers on your team.
- Work closely with the farmers and producers on your team to assemble a dish that utilizes (at minimum) one ingredient from each farm/producer. You are encouraged to try and source your entire dish from the farmers and producers on your team, as well as the optional grain producers.
- Submit your intended dish on or before August 9, 2019 to ensure TLC has the opportunity to properly promote the event and highlight each chef's work. This will also allow each farmer/producer adequate time to determine availability of the requested products in the necessary amounts.
- Work with TLC to complete the necessary paperwork for C-UPHD in a timely manner. Each chef will be filling out their own application and submitting to TLC by August 15, 2019. The Land Connection will file all paperwork to ensure efficient and timely processing, and provide your permit from C-UPHD at the event.
- Stay within the allocated budget of \$600.
- Be available to plate and serve the dish at The Artisan Cup & Fork on September 21, 2019, from 6-9pm at Bluestem Hall in Urbana. Set-up begins at 4pm and must be completed by 5:45pm. Tear down occurs from 9-10pm.

TIMELINE

July 19 – Applications DUE by 5pm

July 22 – Chefs picked and announced (including alternates)

August 9 – Dishes and budget submitted to TLC

August 15 – CUPHD Permit Applications DUE (to TLC) by 5pm

September 21 – Artisan Cup & Fork

JUDGING CRITERIA

The competition is based on a 100 point scale.

- Taste – 30 possible points
- Execution – 25 possible points
- Creativity – 20 possible points
- Use of Local Ingredients* – 15 possible points
- Presentation - 10 possible points

Additional points will be awarded to chefs that create a dish that meets the following categories:

- Vegetarian Option – 5 possible points
- Multicultural Recipe - 5 possible points

*NOTE: The 'Use of Local Ingredients' category will receive 3 points for using the minimum number of local ingredients required, with additional points awarded the more that is sourced from local growers and producers.

If you have any questions regarding participation as a chef in the Artisan Cup & Fork, please contact Jacquelyn Evers at jacquelyn@thelandconnection.org.