



National Bailliage of Canada
Experience Culinary Kinship



About Us

We are the Canadian Chapter of the Chaîne des Rôtisseurs, an International Association of Gastronomy recognized in over 80 countries with nearly 25,000 members. For almost 70 years, la Chaîne has celebrated unforgettable food, wine, hospitality and friendship in the spirit of the evolution of gastronomy.

We connect Canadian gastronomes, enthusiasts, connoisseurs, hoteliers, restaurateurs, executive chefs and sommeliers in 12 Bailliages (Chapters) across our beautiful country.

We gather to embrace the future of fine dining while treasuring the best of tradition. The cornerstone of each la Chaîne experience? Fun, camaraderie, and shared passion for the culinary arts.

With la Chaîne, you'll explore the pleasures of the table in good company.

Become a member of a vibrant network that extends across Canada and beyond its borders.

Join us and Experience Culinary Kinship.







La Chaîne represents the longest-standing dining guild in the world. Members of today's Canadian chapter are proud to celebrate strong Chaîne roots planted over a half a century ago.



Timeline

1248

Louis IX (Saint Louis), the French King, established several professional guilds including that of the "Ayeurs" or goose roasters, to improve the technical knowledge of its members: apprentices, tradesmen and masters.

1791

For more than four centuries, the Guild cultivated and developed the culinary arts until 1791 when the guild system was dissolved during the French Revolution.

1950

The Guild was nearly forgotten until Jean Valby, Prince Curnonsky, Auguste Bécart, Louis Giraudon and Marcel Dorin, founded La Confrérie de la Chaîne des Rôtisseurs in Paris, France.

1960

The Canadian chapter was inaugurated in Montreal with additional chapters established in 10 cities, including Victoria, Nanaimo, Vancouver, Edmonton, Calgary, Winnipeg, Toronto, Ottawa, Quebec and Halifax, and the intention of continuing to grow.



2008

The Association Caritative de la Chaîne des Rôtisseurs (ACCR) is registered as a charity under the international office of la Chaîne des Rôtisseurs. This made possible the launch of programmes in social development aimed at nourishing those in need – particularly children.

2010

The Canadian Chapter celebrates its 50th anniversary in Montreal.

2018

A separate charitable foundation is established in Canada to promote the education and training of young chefs and sommeliers.

FUTURE

We are passionate about honouring the traditions of the guild in a contemporary, evolving context. In support of Canada's bright culinary future, we embrace technological advances and innovations in gastronomy.

“Nowhere is our commitment to the culinary future more evident than in our support of future chefs. Through annual competitions on local, regional and national levels, culminating with our Canadian winner competing at the Concours International des Jeunes Chefs Rôtisseurs, our support offers a unique opportunity for young chefs to hone their skills in a challenging atmosphere. In the end, both professional and non-professional members win.”

- Chairman, International Jeunes Chefs Rôtisseurs Competition



Membership

Thriving membership is essential to the growth, vibrancy and longevity of the Chaîne des Rôtisseurs in Canada.

A Distinctly Canadian Experience

As a member of la Chaîne, you will share unique culinary experiences and meaningful conversation with like-minded allies and friends.

We are proud to share the following defining values of our Canadian chapter:



Encouragement of the culinary arts

- Experience culinary creations from Canada's most established and up-and-coming chefs.
- Support the evolution of young Canadian chef & sommelier talent with enthralling competitions.
- Cultivate communication and knowledge sharing among like-minded individuals.
- A commitment to the highest standards of food & wine.



An experience of excellence

- Dynamic hospitality and events.
- An established, yet welcoming dining society.
- Rich in history and the celebration of tradition.
- Dedication of Local and National Council members.
- Healthy financial position and reserves.



Together, in good company

- Lasting friendship over shared passion.
- Camaraderie through elevated social networking.
- Opportunity to actively participate in the Canadian chapter's evolution.
- High retention, loyalty and longstanding membership.
- Semi-annual Canadian newsletter, sharing local and International culinary news.



Non-Professional Membership Benefits

Membership provides a thrilling opportunity to connect with those who share a passion for the culinary arts while engaging with professional members who bring forth boundless culinary experience and knowledge.

Social dining events

- Fine dining events held at top local member restaurants and hotels featuring exclusive menus and dishes.
- Grand gala event (Chapître dinner) held annually per Bailliage to welcome and celebrate new members.
- Events less formal in nature, including casual meals, picnics and barbeques (programmes vary depending upon local resources and interests).
- A growing number of regional and national events that are open to all members.

Culinary education

- Exclusive tastings, demonstrations and educational seminars with notable culinary and sommelier figures.

Restaurant guide

- Easy online access to local Canadian and International professional members' restaurant and hotel listings
- Members are warmly received at affiliated establishments around the world upon identifying themselves.

Professional Membership Benefits

The support of professional members allows la Chaîne to maintain its expert and inspired culinary offering. Professional members include:

- Restaurateurs
- Hoteliers
- Caterers
- Industry suppliers
- Vintners

Culinary events

- An opportunity for professional members to demonstrate exceptional skills and creativity to a receptive audience.

Restaurant guide

- Inclusion in the Canadian and international dining guide, encouraging interest, patronage and loyalty from sophisticated diners; many Chaîne members are eager to support affiliated members when travelling.

Membership plaque

- The society's plaque and use of the society's logo on menus and brochures – all signifying excellence in dining.

Young chefs and sommeliers competition

- The opportunity to sponsor an international competition for young Canadian chefs, with the winner of each regional competition sent to compete at national and international levels.
- At each level, special publicized events are scheduled to recognize participants and honour winners for their initiative, creativity and skill.

International Benefits

1. Become part of a top international organization with strong, global culinary ties, where one can contribute expertise, knowledge and passion.
2. Access to a global network of like-minded friends and colleagues.
3. Connection to some of the world's most renowned chefs and vintners with a special welcome at professional member restaurants and hotels.
4. Experience unique culinary events that span the globe, such as Chapitre events with organized cultural visits, culinary excursions and private guided tours or the Ordre Mondial des Gourmets Dégustateurs (OMGD) to promote the enjoyment, education and understanding of fine wines and craft spirits.
5. Contribute to the humanitarian activities and programmes of the ACCR, the Chaîne's charity, and the Chaîne des Rôtisseurs Canada Foundation.
6. Access to a semi-annual Canadian newsletter, sharing impactful local and International culinary news.
7. A subscription to Chaîne des Rôtisseurs, a magazine published at the Paris international head office and distributed annually.





Interested in joining our vibrant organization?

Membership in the Chaîne des Rotisseurs is accomplished via the nomination process by an existing member, with a letter submitted to the Bailli for consideration by the local board.

Membership Highlights

*600+
Canadian
members*

*Loyalty and
long-term
camaraderie
(30% have been members
for over 15 years)*

*Special
membership rates
for Youth and
Senior categories*



Want to learn more?

Please visit our website
canada.chainedesrotisseurs.com
for contact information for your region



@chaineCanada

