

ASOLO REPERTORY THEATRE

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ASOLO REP PRESENTS ITS SEVENTH ANNUAL MEN WHO COOK & BREW EVENT ON SUNDAY, MAY 21

(SARASOTA, May 12, 2017) — Asolo Rep will host its seventh annual Men Who Cook & Brew event on **Sunday, May 21 at 6pm** at Mattison's Bayside at the Van Wezel. This year's event, sponsored by Mattison's Restaurants & Catering, ABC 7, STYLE Magazine, and Gulf Coast Community Foundation, will feature craft beer from local vendors, along with Sarasota and Bradenton's finest guest chefs who will prepare a dinner filled with their favorite recipes. The final fundraiser of Asolo Rep's 2016-17 season will also feature a raffle for gourmet cooking classes, awards for best table décor and "People's Choice" best chef, live music, the parade of chefs and more.

CHEFS

PETER AMSTER, *Guest Director, Asolo Repertory Theatre*

DR. JAMES COCCO, *LernerCohen Healthcare*

DOUG CORDIER, *Chef, Italian Culinary Tours*

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DAVID WARREN CURRAN, *American Cheese Society, CCP; Hitched and Honey LLC*

STEVE KNOPIK, *Chairman and CEO, Beall's Inc.*

CHEF PAUL MATTISON, *Executive Chef & Proprietor, Mattison's Restaurants & Catering*

TERRENCE "TERRY" MCKEE, *President & CEO, NUOVO Salon Group*

DOUG SALTHOUSE, *Retired Pharmaceutical Executive*

JOHN SCALZI, *Meteorologist, ABC 7*

JOE SEIDENSTICKER, *CEO, Tableside Restaurant Group*

GARY SWEETMAN, *President, Gary W. Sweetman Photography & Digital Imaging, Inc.*

JON THAXTON, *Senior Vice President for Community Investment, Gulf Coast Community Foundation*

LEE WILLIAMS, *Investigative Reporter, Gun Columnist and "The Rum Writer," Herald Tribune Media Group*

CRAFT BEER VENDORS

Big Top Brewing Company

Calusa Brewing

Darwin Brewing Company

TICKETS

Individual tickets are \$200 and are available online at <http://www.asolorep.org/menwhocook> or by contacting the Asolo Rep Special Events Department at SpecialEvents@asolo.org or 941.351.9010 ext. 4702. Tables for 10 people are also available for \$2,500 or \$2,000.

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