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On 3 April 2018, the World Gourmet Summit Awards of Excellence (AOE) 2018 honoured 31 outstanding professionals and establishments from the F&B and hospitality industries. Widely regarded as one of the most respected accolades in Singapore and around the region, the AOE ceremony was held at One Farrer Hotel & Spa, with Guest of Honour Dr. István Szerdahelyi, Hungary's Ambassador to the Republic of Singapore, in attendance.

This year saw an overwhelming response to the number of public nominations, giving a clear indication of the appreciation for and acknowledgement of the pivotal role that the industry professionals play in the evolution of the F&B and hospitality scene in Asia. This year's AOE was presented under the voting categories of Chef Awards, Hospitality Awards, Service Professionals and Establishment Awards and Wine and Spirits Awards, Special Category and Highest Honors.

Chef Awards:

1. MKN Chef of the Year - Angus Chow, Bōruto Singapore
2. Halton Executive Chef of the Year - Louis Tay, Swissotel Merchant Court
3. Welbilt Rising Chef of the Year - Andrea De Paola, Osteria Art
4. Fabristeel Asian Cuisine Chef of the Year - Joey Sergentakis, CÉ LA VI Singapore
5. Kuhlbarra Asian Cuisine Chef of the Year (Regional) - Ragil Imam Wibowo of NUSA Indonesian Gastronomy
6. Brand New Media Baker of the Year - Leonard Yue of Swissotel The Stamford
7. Cacao Barry Pastry Chef of the Year - Winnie Goh of Mandarin Orchard Singapore
8. Epicure Pastry Chef of the Year (Regional) - Florian Guillemenot of Le Cordon Bleu Malaysia - Sunway Le Cordon Bleu Institute of Culinary Arts
9. USDEC Chef's Choice Award - Kirk Westaway of JAAN

Hospitality awards:

1. USDEC Gourmet Retailer of the Year - The Cellar Door
2. Winterhalter Caterer of the Year - Luxe Catering Singapore
3. Marrone Hospitality Institution of the Year - Allspice Institute
4. Electrolux Hospitality Institution of the Year (Regional) - Le Cordon Bleu Malaysia - Sunway Le Cordon Bleu Institute of Culinary Arts
5. USDEC Gourmet Distributor of the Year - Culina at Dempsey Hill

Service Professionals & Establishment Awards:

1. Huber's Butchery Restaurant of the Year - Gattopardo Ristorante Di Mare
2. Luzerne Restaurant of the Year (Regional) - Mozaic Restaurant
3. Chope Asian Restaurant of the Year - Punjab Grill Singapore
4. Tunglok Asian Cuisine Restaurant of the Year (Regional) - Tamarind Springs Restaurant
5. Boncru / Enomatic Bar of the Year - La Terre
6. Hobart New Restaurant of the Year - BAKALAKI Greek Taverna
7. Meiko Restaurant Manager of the Year - Ramesh G Somani, Punjab Grill Singapore
8. Luzerne F&B Manager of the Year - Amos Ting, Raffles Hotel Singapore
9. Kuhlbarra MICE & Banquet Manager of the Year - Bernard Chua, The Ritz-Carlton, Millenia Singapore
10. TEASPEC Restaurateur of the Year - Ricky Ng, Blue Lotus Singapore
11. Boncru / Enomatic Bar Manager of the Year - Daisuke Kawai, La Terre

Wine & Spirits Awards:

1. Boncru / Enomatic Sommelier of the Year - Alvin Gho, WINE RVLT (not pictured)
2. Culina Old World Wine List of the Year - La Terre
3. Culina New World Wine List of the Year - The White Rabbit

Special Category / Highest Honors:

1. Luzerne Everyday Best Table Award - Jenny Loh, Wan Hao Chinese Restaurant at Singapore Marriott Tang Plaza Hotel | Restaurant Nouri | Mohammad Ummer, One Farrer Hotel & Spa
2. Luzerne Special Recognition Award - Damian D'Silva
3. SEG Lifetime Achievement Award - Edmund Toh
4. SEG Lifetime Achievement Award - Violet Oon
5. CHIJMES Hospitality Star - Robert Stirrup
6. Hall of Fame - Salt grill & Sky bar, Awarded the 'New World Wine List of the Year' in 2013, 2015, and 2017