

Pear Excellence



Culinary Student Competition



Culinary Students, it's your time to shine!

Create a fresh pear recipe that tantalizes our taste buds, and we'll sing your praises!

Show us your flair with the pear!

A panel of judges will judge your recipe on the following criteria:

- **Pears** - Does it use an appropriate amount of Green Anjou, Red Anjou, or Bosc USA Pears so that the flavor can be tasted?
- **Creativity** - Is the recipe creative and unique?
- **Mechanics of the Recipe** - Does it work? Does it taste good?
- **Appearance** – Does the dish look appetizing?
- **Inspiration** – Does the dish have the capability to inspire?

Five regional Semi-Finalists will win a trip to Toronto in May 2009 to compete for the Grand Prize!

A Semi-Finalist will be selected from each of the following five regions:

Prairies (Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba)

British Columbia

Ontario

Quebec

Maritimes (New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Newfoundland, P.E.I.)

Only one will win the prestigious Grand Prize!

A single Grand Prize winner will be selected from the five Semi-Finalists to win top honors and **\$2,500 cash!** The four Semi-Finalist winners not selected as the Grand Prize winner will each receive \$1,000.

Each Semi-Finalist's school will also receive a donation to its tuition scholarship fund from USA Pears.

Don't be a slacker! Entries are due by March 27, 2009.



The flavor and texture fresh pears is perfect in many culinary applications. Baked, sautéed, juiced, sliced, grilled, pureed... the possibilities are endless!

Whether you create an appetizer, salad, entrée, dessert, or beverage, we want to see your flair with the pear!

This contest is open only to Canadian culinary students currently enrolled full or part-time in a certified culinary program pursuing a culinary associate's degree, diploma or certificate as of date of entry. See full terms and conditions at www.usapears.org/pearexcellence. Details and entry forms are available online in both French and English languages.

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