

Les Dames d'Escoffier Announces ...



# **Celebrating FOOD!**

**Cooking ★ Careers ★ Communications**

Seventh Salute to Women in Gastronomy

*More than 40 Speakers in 16 sessions!*  
**Hands-on Cooking Classes!**  
*Fabulous Culinary EXPO! with new products,  
samples, cookbooks and experts!*  
**Continental Breakfast and Lunch Included**  
*Festival of Desserts*  
**Rosé Wine and Chocolate Reception**  
Much more...

**DATE:** Saturday, February 27, 2010  
**TIME:** 9:00 a.m. to 5:45 p.m.  
**PLACE:** The Universities at Shady Grove, Rockville, Maryland  
**COST:** \$95 inclusive (no price increase from 2006 or 2008 seminars)  
**INFO:** Attendees can register and pay on line at [www.lesdamesdc.org](http://www.lesdamesdc.org)  
Send an e-mail to [lesdamesdc@aol.com](mailto:lesdamesdc@aol.com) or call (202) 973-2168

**OPENING SESSION: "What Really Goes on Behind the  
Scenes of TV Chef Competitions"**

## FEATURED KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

### **Carla Hall**

Bravo-TV "Top Chef" finalist

Owner of Alchemy Caterers in Washington, D.C., Dame **Carla Hall** came within a spaghetti's width of winning \$100,000 and the title "Top Chef" on Bravo-TV's Season 5. She did win a \$30,000 automobile and a trip to the Super Bowl.



### **Nongkran Daks**

Winner, "Throwdown! with Bobby Flay,"  
TV Food Network

Owner & Executive Chef of Thai Basil Restaurant in Chantilly, VA, Dame **Nongkran Daks** is a Thai cooking expert, TV personality, and author. In the Spring of 2009, Nongkran bested Bobby Flay in a Pad Thai noodle competition.



## **A Taste of the Sessions**

*Tricks of the Trade, Culinary Blogging, Ethnic Ingredients,  
Selecting Seafood, Food Writing, Rice Varieties,  
Farm to Table, Restaurant Reviewing, Local Wines,  
Kitchen Designing, Signature Cocktails, Uncommon Spices.*  
Hands-on Classes in Pastry, Pickling,  
Flatbreads and Sushi.



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