

Chef Filippo Sinisgalli Gives Oscar Winners Viola Davis and Barry Jenkins A Culinary Offer They Could Not Refuse

Michelin Star Executive Chef Sinisgalli Brings Authentic Italian Flavors to Hollywood's Tastemakers During the 89th Annual Academy Awards Weekend

BEVERLY HILLS, CA, UNITED STATES, March 3, 2017 /EINPresswire.com/ -- [IL Palato Italiano](#) Executive Chef [Filippo Sinisgalli](#) and his culinary brigade took over Hollywood at the Oscars [GBK Gifting Suite](#) with a presentation and tasting of a delicious menu of Italian creations prepared especially for the Oscar nominees, presenters, and Hollywood [celebrities](#). Academy Award-Winners Viola Davis (*Fences*) and Barry Jenkins (*Moonlight*) were among the many celebrities who flashed huge smiles when tasting the various gourmet food options offered to them by Chef Sinisgalli.

"This is just a taste of centuries -old traditions," said Chef Sinisgalli. "I want every element to enter your mouth with all of its force and vitality." Davis, Jenkins and all the celebrities who stopped by the IL Palato Italiano kitchen took home a deluxe culinary kit filled with special ingredients to make an authentic Italian dinner for 6.

"In celebration of the most creative and beautiful people who entertain the world, I personally created a "make-it-yourself" intimate dinner kit to delight the palate of family and friends," said Sinisgalli who earned a Michelin Star in Italy. A native of Potenza, Italy, this is Chef Sinisgalli's first trip to Southern California. "I want to share recipes created and exclusively offered by IL Palato Italiano."

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Executive Chef Filippo Sinisgalli for IL Palato Italiano

During the two-day upscale gifting suite held in a villa reminiscent of modern Italy, Chef Sinisgalli served handmade Italian desserts: dark chocolate-dipped hazelnut candy, panettone with cream sauce, chocolate truffles and pasta with marinara sauce to a parade of some of Hollywood's affluent in the entertainment industry. "I have been cooking since I was 15. My grandmother was the one who shared her passion with me," said Chef Sinisgalli. "In terms of



Academy Award Winner Viola Davis (*Fences*) is delighted by the desserts created by Executive Chef Filippo Sinisgalli.

schooling and technique, well, I was taken and impressed with the style of Gualtiero Marchesi who taught me to have deep respect for every ingredient in a dish."

Taste buds and the passion for one of the most ancient and elaborate culinary arts in the world were awakened by everyone who sampled the delightful bites of Italy including Academy Award Winner Producer David Permut (Oscar nominated Hacksaw Ridge); Actors Aldis Hodge, Cullen Moss and Kurt Krause (Oscar nominated Hidden Figures) Music Producer Randy Jackson (American Idol), Actor Anthony Anderson (Black-ish), Karina Smirnoff (Dancing with the Stars), Actor Richard Kind (Inside Out), and Russell Hornsby (Oscar nominated Fences); just to name of few.

"We work hard, because our reward is huge!" said Chef Sinisgalli to his selected young talented brigade made of 10 under 35 professionals. The IL Palato Italiano team led by Chef Sinisgalli will spend 20 days between New York and Los Angeles to produce a series of private, custom-designed Italian dinner celebrations at celebrities' home. "Good cooking makes people heart (and stomach) smile."

For an interview or to schedule a culinary experience with Chef Sinisgalli, contact Raffles van Exel of Raffles Entertainment at 310-925-8448 or raffles@rafflesentertainment.com.

About Executive Chef Filippo Sinisgalli

Filippo Sinisgalli, born in Potenza, spent his early life as a chef working shoulder to shoulder to his mentor Gualtiero

Marchesi, the Italian Michelin Star, at the Albereta Restaurant. After his experience at the Zur Rose, Agli Amici and Esplanade Restaurants, he flew directly to Paris to work for the worldwide famous Michelin Star Chef Monsieur Joël Robuchon where he learned the prestige and the secrets of one of the milestones of food, french cuisine. The natural next step for Sinisgalli led him to Dubai and the Armani Hotel became his new house.

After four years away from his native country, he returned to Italy and fell in love with the project of



Academy Award Winner Director Barry Jenkins (Moonlight) experienced the spirit of Italian cooking by Chef Sinisgalli.



Hidden Figures Actors Cullen Moss (center) and Kurt Krause (left rear) with girlfriend, Emily Rodriguez tasted all the food prepared by Chef Sinisgalli.

entrepreneur Mr. Luciano Bertani, CEO of IL Palato Italiano. Chef Sinisgalli accepted this new adventure and became the face of IL Palato Italiano.

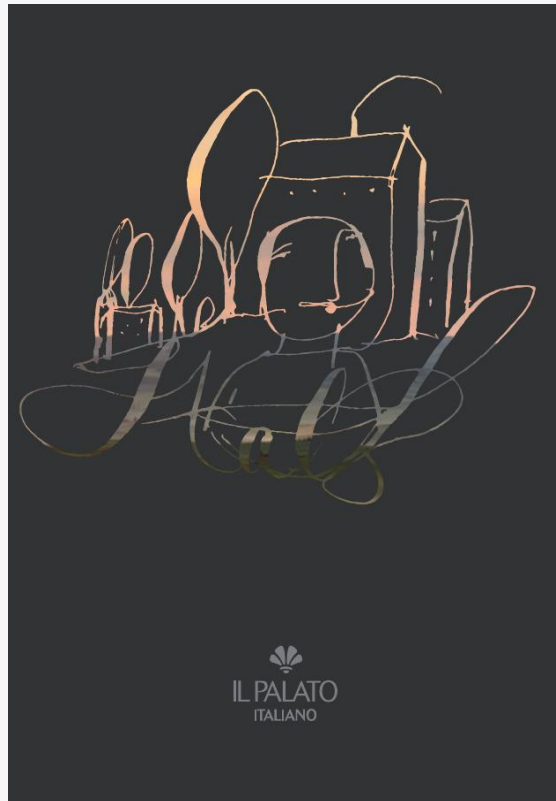
About IL Palato Italiano

Founded by Nadia and Luciano Bertani, IL Palato Italiano, located in Bolzano, Northern Italy, is an exclusive club for food aficionados. The venture is committed to the discovery, promotion and dissemination of Italian culinary arts through a range of experiential and cultural activities plus a painstaking selection of outstanding food & wine products.

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A "make-it-yourself" Authentic Italian Dinner Experience for Six with ingredients produced by IL Palato Italiano.



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