

DiRōNA Welcomes Over 90 New Restaurants to its Award of Excellence List

NIAGARA FALLS, NY, UNITED STATES, July 3, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The Distinguished Restaurants of North America (DiRōNA) today announced the newest recipients of its Award of Excellence, restaurants across the United States, Canada, Mexico, and the Caribbean that have earned one of the hospitality industry's most renowned recognitions.

Since 1990, the DiRōNA Award of Excellence has served as a trusted mark of distinction for discerning diners, honoring establishments that consistently deliver at the highest level across cuisine, beverages, service, and ambiance. The 2026 class joins a community of restaurants that have met that standard through DiRōNA's thorough evaluation process.

"Each of these restaurants reflects what DiRōNA has always stood for, a dedication to the guest experience that shows up night after night, in every detail. That's what this award exists to recognize," said Scott Breard, CEO of DiRōNA.

Introducing the 2026 additions to the DiRōNA Award of Excellence list:

USA – West

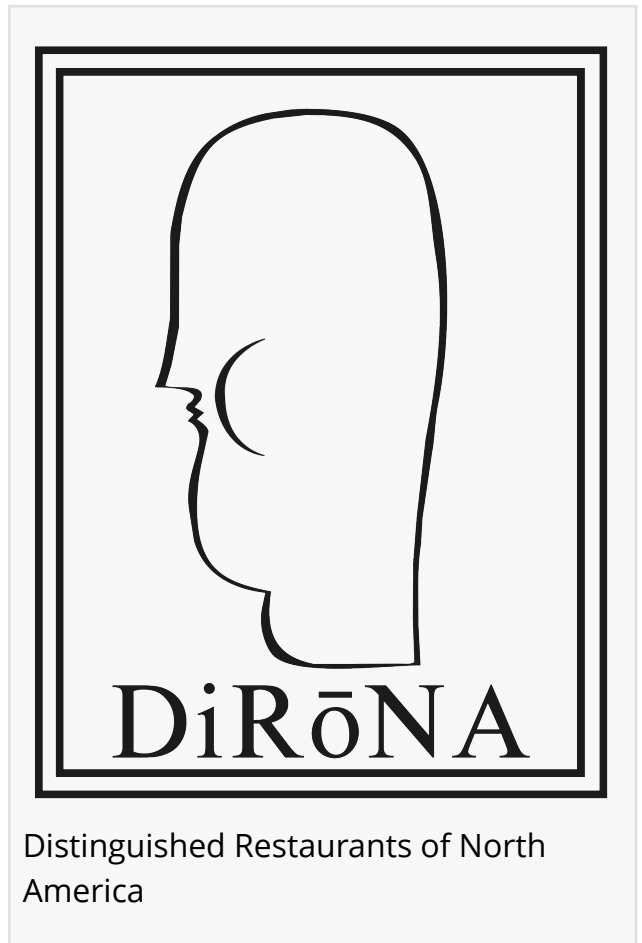
Arizona

The Hidden House - Chandler

California

Arya Steakhouse - Palo Alto

AVANT Restaurant - San Diego



Brigitte Bistro - Petaluma
Butcher and Barrel - Sacramento
Chez Pierre Bistro - Palm Desert
Domenico's on the Lake - Mission Viejo
Dominique's Kitchen - Redondo Beach
Foreign Cinema - San Francisco
Hog's Breath Inn - Carmel-by-the-Sea
Shorebird - San Diego
Soichi Sushi - San Diego
The Wild Artichoke - Yorba Linda
Waterfront Seafood Grill - Napa
Willie's Modern Fare - Rancho Mirage

Colorado

Barrio Social - Vail
Beaver Creek Chophouse - Avon
Campo de Fiori - Aspen
Grouse Mountain Grill - Beaver Creek
Hickory & Ash - Broomfield
Martinis Bistro - Longmont
Revel - Vail
Salt Water Social - Denver

Nevada

Silverado Steak House - Las Vegas
Wakuda - Las Vegas

New Mexico

Alkemē - Santa Fe
Forty Nine Forty - Corrales
Mesa Provisions - Albuquerque
The St. James Tearoom - Albuquerque

Oregon

The Bistro - Cannon Beach
The Blacksmith Restaurant - Bend

Utah

'mina ristorante siciliano - Salt Lake City
Firewood - Park City
Pago - Salt Lake City

Washington

Sorrento's Ristorante - Chelan

USA – Midwest

Illinois

Hamilton Walker's - Champaign

Indiana

The Fountain Room - Indianapolis

Wisconsin

Amilinda - Milwaukee

Pastiche Bistro & Wine Bar - Brown Deer

Union House - Genesee Depot

USA – South

Alabama

Cafe Dupont - Birmingham

Little Betty Steak Bar - Mountain Brook

The Depot - Auburn

Arkansas

J&S Italian Villa - Hot Springs

RÖBER :: cocktails + culinary - Benton

Florida

Ceiba - Orlando

Chef Adrienne's Vineyard Restaurant and Bar - Kendall

Sola Bistro and Wine Bar - St Pete Beach

The Reserve Room - Panama City Beach

Three Six Bistro - Ocala

Valentino Ristorante Italiano - Clearwater

Vincenzo Cucina Italiana - Orlando

Louisiana

The Saint - Saint Francisville

Oklahoma

Jimmy's Chophouse - Tulsa

PRHYME: Downtown Steakhouse - Tulsa

South Carolina

Coast Oceanfront Restaurant - Hilton Head Island
Links, an American Grill - Hilton Head Island
The Quarterdeck - Hilton Head Island

Texas

Double Cut Steak House - Round Rock
Mesón Sommelier - Spring

Virginia

Blue Rock Inn and Restaurant - Washington

USA – Northeast

Connecticut

Castello Restaurant - Danbury
Newbrook Kitchen - Cheshire

Maine

Davids 388 Restaurant - Portland
Slate Restaurant - Greenville

Maryland

Sotto Sopra - Baltimore

Massachusetts

Old Yarmouth Inn - Yarmouth Port

New Hampshire

Americus Restaurant - Derry

New Jersey

Andre's Lakeside Dining - Sparta Township
Stage Left Steak - New Brunswick

New York

Copinette - New York
Panza's - Saratoga Springs

Rhode Island

The Franklin - Bristol

Canada

Alberta

Aurora Italiana - Calgary

British Columbia

Bar Oso - Whistler

Gordon Ramsay Steak - Richmond

The Victor - Vancouver

Water St. Café - Vancouver

Wild Blue Restaurant & Cocktail Bar - Whistler

Ontario

Amal - Toronto

George Restaurant - Toronto

Massimo's Italian Fallsview Restaurant - Niagara Falls

Risposta Bistro - Campbellville

The Butcher Chef - Toronto

The Pine - Creemore

Mexico & the Caribbean

Mexico

El Asador Vasco - Oaxaca de Juárez

Guido's - Cozumel

Raíz - Mexico City

Romina - Mexico City

Sint Maarten

Ocean Lounge Restaurant - Philipsburg

Distinguished Restaurants of North America (DiRōNA) is the continent's benchmark for exceptional dining. Established in 1990 and evolved from the celebrated Travel Holiday Dining Awards, DiRōNA has spent more than three decades recognizing restaurants that exemplify culinary mastery, exceptional service, and unforgettable experiences. Each DiRōNA Award of Excellence is earned through a thorough evaluation of four standards, culinary, beverage, service, and ambiance. Today, DiRōNA guides discerning diners to North America's finest dining destinations while honoring the restaurateurs and chefs who define hospitality at its highest level. Learn more at DiRoNA.com.

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