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**MEDIA RELEASE**  
**10 SEPTEMBER 2019**

## **WINNERS OF AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY 2019 AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE ANNOUNCED**

The winners of the 2019 Australian Capital Territory Savour Australia™ Restaurant & Catering HOSTPLUS Awards for Excellence were announced last night at a gala dinner held at the National Press Club of Australia.

The winners across this year's major categories included:

- CATERER OF YEAR – Hotel Realm, BARTON;
- CAFÉ OF THE YEAR – Gather, BRADDON; and
- RESTAURANT OF THE YEAR – RAKU Dining, CANBERRA

Restaurant & Catering Australia (R&CA) CEO Wes Lambert congratulated the hardworking individuals and businesses recognised as part of the Awards and praise their ongoing contribution to the ACT hospitality industry.

“On behalf of the Association, I'd like to congratulate all of tonight's Award winners whose determination, dedication and commitment to their industry is on full display.

All of tonight's Awards are well earned recognition for the exceptional service and culinary excellence displayed by a number of individuals and businesses across the Australian Capital Territory.

“As an organization, we are extremely proud to recognise all the stellar contributions as part of our annual Awards for Excellence”, Wes said.

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# 2019

## R&CA Awards for Excellence

### AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY WINNERS

#### RESTAURANT AWARDS

##### ASIAN RESTAURANT

*Sponsored by Entertainment Publications*

**WINNER** - RAKU Dining, CANBERRA

##### BAKERY/PÂTISSERIE

*Sponsored by OneMusic*

**WINNER** - Sonoma Bakery Café, CANBERRA

##### BREAKFAST RESTAURANT

*Sponsored by Sanpellegrino*

**WINNER** - Morning Glory, CANBERRA

##### CAFÉ DINING

*Sponsored by Deputy*

**WINNER** - Gather, BRADDON

##### CHINESE RESTAURANT

*Sponsored by Menulog*

**WINNER** - Natural Nine, CANBERRA

##### INDIAN/SUB-CONTINENT RESTAURANT

*Sponsored by H&L Australia*

**WINNER** - DAANA, CURTIN

##### ITALIAN RESTAURANT

*Sponsored by TheFork - A TripAdvisor Company*

**WINNER** - Mezzalira on London, CANBERRA

##### NEW RESTAURANT

*Sponsored by H&L Australia*

**WINNER** - Pilot, AINSLIE



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#### RESTAURANT IN A HOTEL

*Sponsored by American Express*

**WINNER** - Monster Kitchen and Bar - Ovolo Nishi, CANBERRA

#### RESTAURANT IN A PUB

*Sponsored by Malt Shovel*

**WINNER** - Badger & Co, AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY

#### RESTAURANT IN A WINERY

*Sponsored by Sanpellegrino*

**WINNER** - Café Lerida - Lerida Estate, LAKE GEORGE

#### SMALL BAR

*Sponsored by OneMusic*

**WINNER** - National Press Club Lounge Bar, BARTON

#### SPECIALTY RESTAURANT

*Sponsored by American Express*

**WINNER** - Turkish Grill Restaurant, WANNIASSA

### CATERING AWARDS

#### FUNCTION/CONVENTION CENTRE CATERER

*Sponsored by TEMPlar Employment & Training*

**WINNER** - Hotel Realm, BARTON

#### SITE/INDUSTRIAL CATERER

*Sponsored by Prospa*

**WINNER** - Trippas White Group - Australian Institute of Sport, BRUCE

#### VENUE CATERER

*Sponsored by Deputy*

**WINNER** - Trippas White Group - Australian War Memorial, CAMPBELL

#### WEDDING CATERER

*Sponsored by Alsco*

**WINNER** - Ginger Catering, WESTON CREEK

### HOSPITALITY AWARDS

#### CHEF OF THE YEAR

*Sponsored by Hostplus*

**WINNER** - Hao Chen - Raku Dining

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**PRODUCT SUPPLIER**

*Sponsored by Restaurant & Catering*

**WINNER** - H&L Australia

**CONSUMER VOTE**

*Sponsored by Savour Australia*

**WINNER** - DAANA, CURTIN

**MAJOR AWARDS**

**CATERER OF YEAR**

*Sponsored by Malt Shovel*

**WINNER** - Hotel Realm, BARTON

**CAFÉ OF THE YEAR**

*Sponsored by AlSCO*

**WINNER** - Gather, BRADDON

**RESTAURANT OF THE YEAR**

*Sponsored by Hostplus*

**WINNER** - RAKU Dining, CANBERRA