

# Les Dames d'Escoffier Chicago Chapter

## Membership Nominating Form for CANDIDATE



The Chicago Chapter of Les Dames d'Escoffier International (LDEI) is dedicated to promoting women in the culinary arts and supporting educational and charitable activities. Since its founding in 1982, Les Dames d'Escoffier-Chicago has provided more than \$300,000 in culinary scholarships to women and donated approximately \$200,000 to a variety of community organizations and projects. Les Dames d'Escoffier International is comprised of 28 global chapters and membership is by invitation only.

### **Membership Criteria**

*All women proposed for membership:*

- *Are individuals of stature in the food, beverage or hospitality industries and have been actively employed in those industries for at least five years.*
- *Have made contributions through volunteer activities in the community.*
- *Are dedicated to furthering the role of women in the culinary professions.*
- *Exhibit ethical practices in their work and will not use the organization for personal profit or gain.*
- *Have attended one or more Chicago Chapter-sponsored events prior to nomination for membership within the past year.*
- *Will fulfill the expectations of membership, make a positive contribution to Les Dames d'Escoffier, agree to devote energy and time to the programs, work harmoniously with others, and actively support Les Dames d'Escoffier fundraising activities.*

This form is designed to help you let the nominating committee know how you meet our chapter's membership requirements.

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Attach a current resume or CV

Primary Sponsor:

Secondary Sponsor:

Name:

Professional Field:

Professional Position:

Number of years in Profession:

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Company:

Business Address:

Website:

Business Phone:

Cell Phone:

Fax:

Email:

Home Address:

Home Phone:

(Please mark preferred contact information for Les Dames communication with an X)

List memberships in other professional organizations:

Please list the Les Dames d'Escoffier events, fundraisers or community service projects you have participated in over the last two years:

Please list two professional references (with contact numbers & emails) other than members of Les Dames d'Escoffier Chicago.

List other members of Les Dames d'Escoffier (Chicago or other chapters) other than your sponsors that you know or have worked with:

Member's name	# of years you have known the member	How do you know them?

Tell us about your Professional Qualities – integrity, your impact on the profession, how you set standards of excellence and inspire others. (not all need apply)

Tell us about your commitment to Community Service – Detail your involvement in fundraising.

What areas would you like to be involved in with our organization? And how many hours a month are you willing to commit to Les Dames d'Escoffier?

Talent or Interested in	Yes	No	Maybe
Events/Programs			
Scholarship			
Mentorship			
Communications			
Community Service			
Fund Raising			
Finance			

Why do you want to be a member of Les Dames d'Escoffier?

***The undersigned declares that all above information is accurate and that you understand and will comply with the membership criteria as written; will adhere strictly to the code of ethics of Les Dames d'Escoffier and will undertake to respect them in spirit as well as in content.***

Members Code of Ethics

Members must maintain high professional and ethical standards and:

1. Abide by the Bylaws of both LDEI and the Chicago Chapter.
2. Avoid using the name LDEI and/or the Chicago Chapter in advertising, merchandising or promotion for personal advantage.
3. Never allow the membership list of LDEI or the Chicago Chapter to be sold or used for merchandising, promotional purposes or commercial endorsement without the explicit approval of the Board.
4. Sponsor for membership only those individuals known to have high ethical standards and professional stature in the area of food, beverages, nutrition, culinary history, and other fields related to the culinary industry.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_