



Les Dames d'Escoffier

INTERNATIONAL

Seattle Chapter

2017 Application for Consideration for Invitation to Membership

Thank you for your interest in being considered for Invitation to Membership in Les Dames d'Escoffier Seattle.

Les Dames d'Escoffier Seattle (LDES) contributes to the vitality of the region's culinary life through two channels: providing women scholarships and mentorship to help them succeed in food, beverage and hospitality careers, and supporting community projects that align with our guiding principles.

Application Deadline: February 15, 2017

Date: _____

Document may be saved and completed at a later time.

PART 1

Name _____
Last First Middle (optional)

Job Title _____

Business Name _____

Business Address _____
Street City State Zip

Business Phone _____

Professional Web Site _____

Personal Web Site or Blog _____

Home Address _____
Street City State Zip

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____ E-Mail _____

Applicants are required to submit two letters of recommendation from two current LDES members whom they have known in a professional capacity for a minimum of 3 months.

A list of current members can be found at <http://lesdamesseattle.com/Members>

Please indicate the names of the two LDES members who have written letters of recommendation and your association with them.

1. _____
2. _____

Criteria for Membership in Les Dames d'Escoffier Seattle

A Candidate applying for consideration of invitation to membership in the Chapter shall be:

- a. A woman who has achieved distinction, a positive reputation, and high professional stature in the area of food, wine and fine beverages, hospitality, or related industries, with a minimum of seven years of experience in her field of expertise.
- b. Currently directly employed in her chosen field.
- c. Dedicated to the education and advancement of, and assistance to, women in these fields, including current Chapter members, scholarship recipients, and others.
- d. Committed to active participation in Chapter activities, involvement in committees, and support of fundraising efforts.
- e. Willing to support and work for the purposes of the Chapter through its Bylaws and Standing Rules, as well as the purposes of Les Dames d'Escoffier International.
- f. A person of integrity, not using the organization for personal gain or profit.

PART II

Please write your responses to these questions, limiting each response to 100 words or less.

1. Why do you wish to become a member of the Seattle Chapter of Les Dames d'Escoffier? How do your professional goals and those stated in LDES mission statement of education, advocacy, and philanthropy mesh?

2. What do you feel you can contribute to the organization?

3. Here's your chance to brag! Please share with us in a couple of sentences, a highlight or something interesting about your professional career. Feel free to direct us to any digital content you would like to share. We would enjoy getting to know you.

PART III

1. Please attach a resume which should encompass professional experience, education, professional honors, awards, and book or other publications, professional organizations or food & wine societies, including offices held, committee work and fundraising activities.

If applicable, LinkedIn URL _____

2. Please include a brief bio of yourself, limiting to 100 words or less.

PART IV

Below is the list of professional groupings listed by LDEI used in the international membership directory. These are used as a cross-referencing tool and are not intended to list every profession. Please check or highlight up to five (5) that best describe you.

Food Preparation

- Chef
- Pastry chef
- Personal chef
- Caterer

Recipe

- Recipe developer/tester
- Test kitchen

Food Education

- Vocational culinary educator
- Food historian/Researcher

Production/Distribution

- Wine and spirits
- Food manufacturing

Food/Beverage Sales

- Retail sales
- Food service sales
- Restaurateur

Publishing

- Book Author
- Book Editor

Media - Print

- Magazine staff writer/editor
- Newspaper staff writer/editor
- Syndicated columnist
- Freelance writer/editor
- Internet writer/editor/blogger
- Freelance writer/editor
- Internet writer/editor

Media - Broadcast

- TV Show host/producer
- Radio Show host/producer

Visual Arts

- Photographer
- Food Stylist

Hospitality/Lodging

- Hotel/Motel
- Private club

Marketing

- Public relations
- Advertising
- Consumer affairs
- Marketing professional
- Events/Conference planner

Green Tables

- Farmer/Grower
- Artisan food/beverage producer
- Food systems activist

Food Science

- Registered dietician
- Degreed nutritionist
- Home economist
- Product developer
- Research chef
- Food scientist

OTHER

PART IV

Please list recent Les Dames d'Escoffier meetings and events you have attended.

Next Steps:

Please submit your COMPLETED APPLICATION PACKET TO:

membership@lesdamesseattle.com

COMPLETED APPLICATION PACKET INCLUDES:

Application with signature

2 Letters of Support

Resume, if applicable

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call Kristi Drake, Membership Chair, at 206.434.1949.

Thank you so much for your interest. LDES will get back to you within 30 days about your application. The deadline for application is February 15, 2017. We invite a limited number of applicants once each year.

I, the undersigned swear to the accuracy of the provided information. I understand that submission of this information in no way guarantees an invitation to membership into LDES.

Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____