



## Wessex gold for Cucina Head Chef

### Stockley Academy's Dean Wentworth wins gold and silver at Salon Culinaire event

Cucina's Dean Wentworth, Head Chef of Stockley Academy, Middlesex has won gold and silver medals at Wessex Salon Culinaire, organised by The Craft Guild of Chefs and held at Brockenhurst College, Hampshire on May 28 and 29 2014. The event is one of the largest live competitions in the UK, featuring chefs from some of the UK's most prestigious hotels and restaurants.

Dean's gold medal-winning dish in the gastro-pub pork section, sponsored by Nevilles, was Pan Roasted Pork Tenderloin rolled in herbs, mustard and Parma Ham, served with Champ Potatoes, Heritage Carrot, Wilted Spinach and an Aspath cider sauce.

His silver medal-winning static plated main course, taking two days to prepare, was Sous Vide Roasted Duck breast with a Duck Offal Faggot, Confit Duck and Jersey Royal Terrine, finished with a Green Vegetable Fricasée.

These awards follow Dean's recent bronze medal success at the Salon Culinaire in Hotelympia in April 2014. Commenting on his win, Dean said:

"I am really excited about this. I loved every part of what I did in this competition, and it is amazing to win against such high class competition."

Cucina MD Steve Quinn said: "Dean is a gifted and creative chef and we're all delighted for him. This award is also a reminder of the standard of food that our chefs work to every day in their school kitchens."

#### Editors' Notes

\* Cucina operates 42 school restaurants around the UK, with high calibre chefs preparing and serving a wide range of dishes, freshly prepared on site

\* The Wessex Salon Culinaire event, organised by The Craft Guild of Chefs, is split into four categories: Live Hot, Live Cold, Restaurant and Display

\* Cucina has operated a contract at Stockley Academy since September 2011

*Pictured:*

*Alex Healy-Wallis, Area Sales Manager for category sponsor Nevilles presents Dean Wentworth with his gold medal*



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