

CULINARY AWARD: New Orleans, Louisiana

HOSTS: Dames Nina Compton (Compère Lapin), Stephanie Carter (writer/editor), and Liz Williams (Southern Food and Beverage Museum)

TIME FRAME: TBD June through September 2019

This varied week with the New Orleans Chapter of LDEI will involve cooking, sourcing, restaurant ownership and entrepreneurship. Your host will be James Beard Award-winning chef Nina Compton, who owns NOLA's Compère Lapin <http://comperelapin.com> and Bywater American Bistro <http://bywateramericanbistro.com>. The French- and Caribbean- influenced Compère Lapin has been named twice to Eater National's list of Best Restaurants in America; Bywater American Bistro was named Eater NOLA's 2018 Restaurant of the Year and one of the nation's Best New Restaurants in Eater National.

New Orleans provides a unique opportunity to savor the influence of international foods on Southern cuisine. Food history is truly cherished and sanctified in New Orleans. Dame Stephanie Carter, formerly of *Eater* and a former Legacy winner herself, will be on hand to help the winner soak up the food scene.

Dame Liz Williams, founder of the Southern Food and Beverage Museum, will provide a private tour and lunch with the winner at Toups South in the museum. Dame Caroline Rosen has a gorgeous Airbnb in the French Quarter for your accommodations. *This award is particularly well suited for someone in restaurants or catering.*