



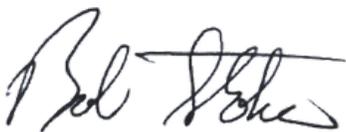
Dear Chef,

On behalf of the Galveston Bay Foundation, we would like to invite you and your restaurant to participate in our Houston Oyster & SeaFest on **Saturday, April 11, 2026, from 11:30 am – 2:30 pm**. We're excited to announce that the event will move to **a new location, Autry Park**, only steps away from Buffalo Bayou and a few minutes from downtown. This festival is expected to attract over 800 guests!

Each chef will prepare a minimum of one bite-sized oyster or seafood dish for our guests to enjoy. There is the opportunity to win either the People's Choice Award or the Judge's Choice Award!

Galveston Bay Foundation is a non-profit organization established in 1987 to preserve and enhance Galveston Bay as a healthy and productive place for generations to come through programs in education, habitat restoration, water protection, land conservation, and advocacy. All net proceeds benefit GBF's Oyster Shell Recycling and Habitat Restoration Programs, which promote a sustainable Eastern oyster population by returning shucked oyster shells from local restaurants back to Galveston Bay to restore native oyster habitat, and out of landfills.

We think you would be an amazing addition to our 2026 event and hope you will consider joining us for a day of food, fun, and fundraising. Together we can preserve and enhance Galveston Bay for generations to come.



**Sincerely,
Bob Stokes,
Galveston Bay Foundation President**





Houston Oyster & SeaFest will provide each restaurant with:

- City of Houston food permit and all necessary required supplies and equipment
- One 10' x 10' space

Please let us know if you will need additional space.

- Two tables for your serving area
- Table sign with restaurant logo
- Trash receptacles
- Oyster shell recycling bin(s)
- PR/recognition/advertising

Restaurants will be included in all Houston Oyster & SeaFest collateral; i.e., listed on website, social media, press/media release, day-of event signage, logo projection during Houston Oyster & SeaFest, etc.

- Priority option to participate in the Oyster Shell Recycling Program
- Hand washing stations
- Two guest tickets to the event

We encourage participating restaurants to:

- Provide restaurant logo
- Bring additional signature dishes to promote your restaurant
- Decorate your space to creatively reflect the restaurant's brand and identity
- Prepare one bite-sized oyster or seafood dish
- Supply ALL food items and enough to provide servings to 700 people from 11:30 am to 2:30 pm
- Supply ALL warming and/or cooling equipment, table server(s), and necessary staff
- Supply ALL serving pieces necessary for the dish (plates, bowls, cups, mini forks, etc.)
- Inform Galveston Bay Foundation if power is needed
- Recycle ALL oyster shells, and encourage patrons to do the same
- Encourage restaurant customers to attend the Oyster & SeaFest and promote the event to patrons

2026 Houston Oyster & SeaFest Restaurant Commitment Form

(Please print legibly so names appear correctly in any printed materials)



RESTAURANT NAME: _____

PRIMARY CONTACT NAME: _____

CELL: _____

EMAIL: _____

RESTAURANT MAILING: _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP: _____

Load In Information

_____ Load-in time is 4:00 pm – 8:00 pm Friday, April 10, 2026, and 7:00 am Saturday, April 11, 2026

_____ Doors open, and food service will begin at 11:30 am

_____ Tear down will begin immediately after the event ends at 2:30 pm



Please provide the following items with the commitment form:

_____ Restaurant logo (please submit a high-resolution .eps or .png file)

_____ Menu items must be submitted by March 13, 2026 for food permit

_____ All special equipment & setup requests must be submitted in writing by March 13, 2026

_____ Signed vendor agreement

All requests are subject to approval

CANCELLATION

It is important that we have adequate food for our guests, do not mislead our guests as to who will be participating, and represent the Galveston Bay Foundation in the highest regard. In the event that the chef is no longer able to represent the restaurant, the restaurant is committed to providing a substitute chef to represent the restaurant and to fulfill all competition requirements. If the restaurant is not able to provide a substitute chef, the withdrawing chef will assist in finding another chef/restaurant to take his/ her place in the competition. We sincerely thank you for your support with this tax-deductible, in-kind contribution which helps make it possible for the Galveston Bay Foundation to preserve and enhance Galveston Bay for generations to come! Galveston Bay Foundation Tax ID No. 76-0279876

Signature of Restaurant Owner or Chef: _____

Date: _____