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Berlin Partner is looking for the best in Berlin gastronomy

## Innovative, lively and new: These are the nominees of the Berlin Master Chefs 2022

This year, Berlin Partner will once again honour the master chefs of Berlin. The independent Berlin Master Chefs jury has now selected the nominees in the categories Berlin Master Chef 2022, Rising Star of the year 2022, Berlin Host 2022, Berlin Hip Restaurant 2022, Berlin Neighbourhood champion 2022 and Berlin Bar Culture 2022.

Dr Stefan Franzke, Managing Director, Berlin Partner: “With the Berlin Master Chefs, we would once again like to honour and appreciate the Berlin gastronomy scene for their perseverance and their creativity in constantly reinventing themselves. The last two years have shown that not only could the level be maintained, but that also a lot of new things have emerged. Berlin’s gastronomy is still innovative and modern and thereby shines well beyond Berlin.”

This year’s nominees are:

### **Berlin Master Chef 2022:**

- Gal Ben Moshe, prism
- René Frank, CODA Dessert Dining
- Stephan Hentschel, Cookies Cream
- Björn Swanson, Faelt
- Jonas Zörner, Golvet



### **Rising Star of the year 2022:**

- Kamel Haddad, 12seasons
- Christopher Kujanski, POTS
- Jonas Merold, Merold
- Martin Müller, Oukan
- Steven Zeidler, Bricole

### **2022 Berlin Host 2022:**

- Serhat Aktas, Host, Der Weinlobbyist
- Rebecca Bassoff, Host, Estelle Dining
- Fabian Fischer, Host, Bricole
- Nancy Grossmann, Sommelière / Falco Mühlichen, Host, Rutz
- Regis Lamazère, Host, Brasserie Lamazère

### **Berlin Hip Restaurant 2022:**

- Café Frieda
- Crackers
- Frühstück 3000
- Hafenküche
- Terz

### **Berlin Neighbourhood Champion 2022:**

- Chungking Noodles (Kreuzberg)
- Food Technique Berlin (Mitte)
- Maître Philippe & Filles (Wilmersdorf)
- Markthalle Pfefferberg (Prenzlauer Berg)
- Wen Cheng (Prenzlauer Berg)

### **Berlin Bar Culture 2022:**

- Bonvivant Cocktail Bistro
- Der Weinlobbyist
- Golvet
- Velvet Bar Berlin
- Victoria Bar



A lot of new things have happened in gastronomy, and the jury also has news to report this year. The jury chair was newly elected and is now jointly chaired by Tina Hüttl and Dr. Stefan Elfenbein.

Tina Hüttl, new chair of the jury: “The last two years were not wasted years, it’s really amazing that the pandemic has not thrown back gastronomy in Berlin by years, rather it is the opposite. It has emerged from this period as alive as ever. Among the nominees are many new openings and many who have made a quantum leap forward in terms of concept and cuisine. A lot has happened and that is reflected well in the 2022 nominations.”

Jury chairman Dr. Stefan Elfenbein on the selection of the nominees: “84 candidates suggested by the jury members were up for voting in six categories. It became clear: Delightfully new, colourful and creative things have been created in all parts of the city - and they are appreciated. In addition, the cooking is even more passionate, beneficial and international. Berlin’s authentic Asian and South American street kitchens are experiencing a real boom: there are queues in Kreuzberg, Mitte and Prenzlauer Berg, and the boom district is Neukölln’s Schiller neighbourhood. Good cuisine, variety, hospitality - that is what we Berliners have taken from the crisis - that is quality of life.”

The jury consists of the following jurors:

- Dr. Stefan Elfenbein, chair of the jury, author for the magazines “Der Feinschmecker” and “FOODIE”
- Tina Hüttl, chair of the jury, Berliner Zeitung
- Prof. Dr. Dieter Grossklaus, “Chaîne des Rôtisseurs” (Honorary President, without voting rights)
- Stefanie Hofeditz, Freelance editor / journalist, B.Z., BILD, Ich & Berlin
- Nikolas Rechenberg, Gourmetwelten
- Annika Schönstädt, Berliner Morgenpost
- Dr. Erwin Seitz, freelance journalist, book author and gastronomy critic
- Jan-Peter Wulf, Specialist journalist and founder of nomyblog

The result of the voting of the Berlin Master Chefs 2022 will be announced at the Master Chefs Gala in autumn at a festive dinner. The winners up to now of the Berlin Master Chefs since the award ceremony began in 1997 have been communicated in a chronicle. For more information on the Berlin Master Chefs project and the history, please go to: [www.berliner-meisterkoeche.de](http://www.berliner-meisterkoeche.de). The Berlin Master Chefs can also be found on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/BerlinerMeisterkoeche> und auf Instagram [@berlinermeisterkoeche](https://www.instagram.com/berlinermeisterkoeche).



### **The Berlin Master Chefs**

Berlin Partner has been honouring the capital's best chefs every year since 1997. With the award for Berlin Master Chefs, Berlin Partner distinguishes the capital's sophisticated restaurant culture and gastronomic scene as an import and economic factor and flagship of the city. More than 140 chefs and restaurateurs have been honoured so far in the various categories of the Berlin Master Chefs. Former award winners include Sonja Frühsammer, Tim Raue, Daniel Achilles and Sebastian Frank.

### **The jury of the Berlin Master Chefs**

The independent jury, made up of Berlin's leading food journalists and connoisseurs, not only evaluates the quality of the culinary art, but also the originality of the creations, the presentation of the dishes, the service and the ambience. By honouring Berlin's Master Chefs, the sophisticated restaurant culture in the capital is positioned as the city's flagship and the diverse gastronomy in Berlin is made visible as an important economic factor for Berlin Partner.