

### THE RITZ-CARLTON, CLEVELAND WELCOMES NEW CULINARY LEADERSHIP

*Executive Chef Manikandan Ramalingam and Sous Chef Jesus Caperon Bring Global Flavors to Cleveland*



**Cleveland, Ohio – October 3, 2024** – [The Ritz-Carlton, Cleveland](#) is thrilled to announce the appointment of Executive Chef Manikandan Ramalingam and Executive Sous Chef Jesus Caperon to its culinary team. Chef Ramalingam will oversee all aspects of the hotel's food and beverage program, including TURN Bar + Kitchen, Cleveland's vibrant dining destination. Chef Caperon will manage banquet food and beverage operations, bringing his expertise to the hotel's extensive event offerings.

**Chef Ramalingam**, with nearly two decades of global culinary experience, joins The Ritz-Carlton, Cleveland from prestigious Ritz-Carlton properties, including The Ritz-Carlton Grand Cayman, St. Thomas, and Doha. Known for his mastery of blending spices and global flavors, Chef Ramalingam's distinguished career includes high-profile events such as the FIFA Congress and World Cup 2022 Stadium V.V.I.P. Lounges.

**Chef Caperon**, a native of Mexico, brings his vibrant culinary flair to the hotel, having previously worked at luxury resorts like The Ritz-Carlton, Laguna Niguel, and JW Marriott Star Pass. His culinary journey began in his family's kitchen in Mexico, where he developed his exceptional skills and artistic approach to cooking.

"We are excited to welcome Chef Ramalingam and Chef Caperon to The Ritz-Carlton, Cleveland," said General Manager Todd Temperly. "Their extensive experience and innovative culinary vision will undoubtedly enhance our dining experiences and elevate our food and beverage program to new heights."

"Food has always been a passion of mine," says Chef Ramalingam. "Joining The Ritz-Carlton, Cleveland is an exciting opportunity to elevate our culinary offerings, especially with the launch

of our new menu at TURN Bar + Kitchen. I'm thrilled to contribute to the vibrant dining scene here and look forward to delivering an exceptional experience that highlights the best of Cleveland's local ingredients and our innovative culinary concept."

TURN Bar + Kitchen showcases the vibrant culinary landscape of Cleveland, celebrating the city's diverse neighborhoods and local ingredients. The restaurant's concept remains rooted in this rich tapestry, while the influence of Executive Chef Ramalingam and Chef Caperon brings an exciting new dimension to the menu. The new menu celebrates their Indian and Mexican heritages through innovative dishes that include *Avocado Cones with Preserved Lemon Cream*, *Roasted Atlantic Salmon with Bourbon Barbecue Sauce*, *Tuna Crudo with Salsa Matcha*, and *Chicken Tikka Masala with Basmati Rice and Naan*. These new offerings, crafted from the freshest local produce and artisanal products, elevate the restaurant's vibrant menu and complement the hotel's beverage selections.

To learn more about The Ritz-Carlton, Cleveland, visit [ritzcarlton.com/cleveland](http://ritzcarlton.com/cleveland) or follow us on Instagram [@ritzcarltoncleveland](https://www.instagram.com/ritzcarltoncleveland). TURN Bar + Kitchen is open daily and reservations can be made via [OpenTable](https://www.opentable.com). Photo selects [here](#).

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### **About The Ritz-Carlton, Cleveland**

Located at 1515 West Third Street, The Ritz-Carlton, Cleveland seamlessly blends the brand's legendary service with a modern, sophisticated ambiance, offering an exceptional experience in the heart of the city's vibrant district known for entertainment, sports, dining, music, business, and cultural attractions. The 206-room hotel features beautifully appointed rooms and suites with bespoke furnishings and thoughtful amenities, ensuring an unparalleled level of comfort and luxury. The hotel is home to TURN Bar + Kitchen, a culinary destination showcasing locally sourced ingredients with a menu that evolves to reflect Cleveland's dynamic spirit, and Highball Cleveland, a private lounge perfect for intimate gatherings and activations. With over 20,000 square feet of versatile event space, the state-of-the-art Core Fitness Club, and The Ritz-Carlton Club Lounge, an exclusive retreat for Club Level guests, the hotel provides an extraordinary experience. For more information, visit [www.ritzcarlton.com/cleveland](http://www.ritzcarlton.com/cleveland) or follow us on social media [@RitzCarltonCleveland](https://www.instagram.com/RitzCarltonCleveland).

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