



**Mission Hill Family Estate to host BC's Premier Celebrity Chefs  
*Okanagan Book Launch & Charity Dinner: Chefs' Table Society, Vancouver Cooks 2***



WEST KELOWNA, OKANGAN VALLEY, BC – SEPTEMBER 22, 2009 – Forget what you've heard about too many cooks in the kitchen, Mission Hill Family Estate will host the official launch of the Chefs' Table Society of British Columbia cookbook, *Vancouver Cooks 2*, with an exclusive reception and five-course dinner, October 9. Sharing the evening's spotlight with Mission Hill's Winery Chef Matthew Batey are four of British Columbia's premier chefs, including: Pino Posteraro of Cioppino's Mediterranean Grill, Vikram Vij of Vij's and Rangoli, Ned Bell of Cabana Bar and Grille, and Rob Feenie of Cactus Club Restaurants.

A reception in the Wine Shop will kick off the festivities, with an optional tour for guests of the underground Barrel Cellar. A sumptuous five-course wine and food pairing will follow in Mission Hill's Chagall Room, named for the exquisite tapestry by Russian-born painter Marc Chagall that adorns the room - one of only 29 Chagall tapestries ever made.

Guests will enjoy a culinary homage to British Columbia with delicious selections prepared by the all-star chef line-up. The menu features cookbook-inspired dishes by the chefs paired with Mission Hill's premium wines a sampling includes fennel marinated sablefish with Reserve Riesling, seared Qualicum scallops and squash ravioli with Perpetua, and south Okanagan Valley venison with Quatrain.

Completing the evening will be a special take-home gift -- each guest will receive a copy of the Chefs' Table Society cookbook, *Vancouver Cooks 2* with the authors available for personalized book signings.

Later this autumn, Mission Hill will also be offering a special Chefs Table Society culinary workshop at the winery based on recipes from the new cookbook.

**Details:**

Chefs' Table Society Book Launch  
Reception and Dinner  
Mission Hill Family Estate, Chagall Room

**Date:** Friday, October 9, 2009

**Time:** 6:30 - 11:00 pm

**Cost:** \$175 plus taxes (per person)

**About The Chefs' Table Society of British Columbia**

The Chefs' Table Society of British Columbia is a chef-administered, province-wide collaborative dedicated to creating a foundation for the exchange of information between culinary professionals. The Society supports innovative and sustainable programs that will inspire, educate and nurture its chefs, producers and the local food industry, all the while promoting standards of excellence with the aim of enhancing the reputation of regional cuisine.

### **About *Vancouver Cooks 2***

A second helping of recipes celebrating the BC food scene, served up by 70 well-known and emerging chefs. Five years after *Vancouver Cooks*, which sold more than 13,000 copies, the Chefs' Table Society returns with over 100 new recipes from 70 chefs around Vancouver, Victoria and the Okanagan. Divided into four sections—local food, international flavours, emerging talents and pioneering chefs—*Vancouver Cooks 2* celebrates the key elements that have forged Vancouver's unique culinary culture and made the city a world-class dining destination. We also see the industry behind the scenes, understanding its heritage and the innovative strides Vancouver chefs are taking.

Written for the home cook, *Vancouver Cooks 2* pairs more than 50 full-colour photographs with the mouthwatering recipes, each with wine notes. Royalties from the sale of this book go to the Chefs' Table Scholarship and Bursary Fund.



### **About Mission Hill Family Estate**

Mission Hill Family Estate is world renowned for its award-winning wines, stunning setting and architecture, and its *Cuisine de Terroir*-based Terrace Restaurant. Honoured as one of the Top Five Winery Restaurants globally, the restaurant and epicurean program is led by Chef Matthew Batey. The winery's vineyards are located in five distinct growing regions of British Columbia's Okanagan Valley. Reflective of the origin and unique character of the Valley and of the careful 'pruning to bottle' program, Oculus, our signature Bordeaux-inspired wine, represents the pinnacle in premium winemaking. Proprietor Anthony von Mandl and winemaker John Simes produce elegant internationally acclaimed wines with New World flavours and Old World refinement from this incomparable lakeside mountaintop winery. Visit [www.missionhillwinery.com](http://www.missionhillwinery.com) for more information.

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