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THE RITZ-CARLTON, BAHRAIN APPOINTS YANN BERNARD LEJARD AS THE NEW DIRECTOR OF CULINARY AND FOOD AND BEVERAGE

The Ritz-Carlton, Bahrain's General Manager, Bernard de Villèle is pleased to announce the appointment of Yann Bernard Lejard as Director of Culinary and Food and Beverage of the luxury hotel resort. In this new role, he will oversee a Culinary and F&B team of 220 Ladies and Gentlemen along with the entire strategic vision and operation of the hotel's unique gastronomic experience. With passion and pride, Lejard will continue to keep the property's 12 restaurants and banqueting facilities on prime positions within the local market.

"Yann Bernard Lejard is a master of art and an icon in the food scene with a vast following on social media. His hands on leadership of the entire kitchen brigade, made it a natural choice to elevate him into this important role, becoming the Director of Culinary, of the Ritz-Carlton, Bahrain. Yann considers cooking to be a creative act, and has the intention to elevate the discipline of service to compliment food to the level of art. Yann always challenges uniformity and creates the food of tomorrow, driven by his inner fire." says Bernard de Villèle.

Culinary and F&B luxury experiences are an elaborate mélange of classicism and modernity. He draws the menus and creates them like a fashion designer's "Food Collections" following the seasons and getting inspired by worldwide luxury trends, when he isn't setting his own trends. Therefore, he nurtures the elements and elevates until his vision bursts forth.



Born in Paris, France, Lejard began expressing himself through art, taking inspiration from the likes of modern art legends like Pablo Picasso (1881-1973), and Jackson Pollock (1912-1956). Eventually becoming a chef by the age of 16, it was then where he found food to be a catalyst for artistic expression and where his signature, abstract style was born. Fast forward to the era of social media, Lejard's accounts @YBLinc have since amassed a significant following of food and art connoisseurs. YBL's work evolves constantly and he is featured in worldwide publications, developing his own culinary art movement and book with acclaimed food photographer, with live performance in international Art Galleries and Museum Exhibitions. His artistic creation and expression realize the surreal and unexpected beauty of the contemporary vision of cooking, involving all senses. He designs the aesthetic symbiosis between elements, colors and emotions, pushing the limits of culinary creation and taste.

Set within 20 acres of lush gardens and golden sandy beaches on the Gulf of Arabia, the 245-room five-star city resort is one of the most elegant destinations in Bahrain. A place where guests can immerse themselves in the local culture, enjoy extraordinary cuisine and explore the dazzling capital city of Manama.

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