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THE RITZ-CARLTON, TOKYO APPOINTS SANDRO GAMBA AS EXECUTIVE CHEF



TOKYO, Japan – December 1, 2020 – <u>The Ritz-Carlton, Tokyo</u>, is pleased to announce the appointment of Sandro Gamba as Executive Chef of the iconic luxury hotel.

Chef Gamba joins The Ritz-Carlton, Tokyo with many years of experience in the luxury hospitality industry, most recently holding the positions of Director of Culinary Operations at Rosewood Hong Kong and Executive Chef at The Ritz-Carlton Shanghai, Pudong. Drawing from a wealth of knowledge, experience and passion, Gamba creates distinct and delectable menus for seven restaurants and bar at The Ritz-Carlton, Tokyo. Having opened restaurants in more than 20 hotels in all corners of the globe, Gamba has honed his craft throughout his illustrious 34-year career.

"I am very honored to be the executive chef of The Ritz-Carlton, Tokyo and lead the culinary team of one of the best hotels in the world," said Gamba. "Tokyo was a dream city for me to live in and I am very excited to be part of one of the most dynamic culinary destination offering an array of delicious seasonal ingredients, and intriguing culinary techniques that I look forward to incorporating in my dishes."

Born in the city of Saint-Avold, in northeastern France, Gamba's experience with food started early on, which sparked his imagination and respect for provenance and seasonality. Gamba takes pride in creating distinctive,

simple gastronomy with an artistic reverence. He uses fresh ingredients combined with world-class techniques, picked up from travels through Europe, North America, Middle East and Asia, to create one-of-a-kind dishes.

Gamba's career has garnered multiple accolades, including AAA's Five Diamond award in 1998 and the following year, when he was named one of the "World's Best Chefs" by the American Academy of Hospitality Service in 1999. When not in the kitchen, Gamba uses his artistic eye to capture the joys and emotions of the city through photography. His passion for cooking and photography both stem from a desire to express his creativity and to connect with people.

"We are happy to welcome Executive Chef Gamba to The Ritz-Carlton, Tokyo," said Yuji Tanaka, General Manager of The Ritz-Carlton, Tokyo. "His expansive culinary knowledge and impressive global pedigree will elevate the hotel's elegant dining experiences."

For more information, please visit www.ritzcarlton.com/en/hotels/japan/tokyo.

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About The Ritz-Carlton, Tokyo

Located in the heart of Tokyo Midtown, in one of the city's tallest building, The Ritz-Carlton, Tokyo sits at the core of Roppongi, the capital's entertainment, diplomatic and design-related business hub. Occupying the top nine floors of the 53-story building, The Ritz-Carlton, Tokyo offers 360-degree panoramic vistas of Tokyo including Tokyo Tower and Mount Fuji. Featuring 247 guest rooms, including 35 suites and Ritz-Carlton Club Level Rooms, the hotel delivers a guest experience like no other. For pure luxury outside of its guestrooms, the hotel's Spa and Fitness offers guests the ultimate in pampering, while its offer a range of delights, including Hinokizaka, offering authentic Japanese cuisine; Azure 45, offering modern French cuisine; Towers, a contemporary grill; and La Boutique offering unique square shaped pastries and chocolates. The hotel also offers state-of-the-art event facilities, including a dedicated Wedding Chapel. The Ritz-Carlton, Tokyo is located Tokyo Midtown 9-7-1, Akasaka, Minato-Ku, Tokyo 107-6245 Japan. For more information, or for reservations, please call +81-3-3423-8000, or visit www.ritzcarlton.com/en/hotels/japan/tokyo.

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