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JAMAICA'S CUISINE SHOWCASED DURING GASTRONOMY FESTIVAL IN OTTAWA, ONTARIO



ABOVE (L-R): His Excellency Frantz Liautaud, Ambassador of the Republic of Haiti and Dean of the CARICOM Group; Louise Paquette, Business Development Manager for the Jamaica Tourist Board; Her Excellency Janice Miller, Jamaica's High Commissioner to Canada; Glenroy Walker, Executive Chef, Sandals Resorts International; and His Excellency Garth Chatoor, High Commissioner for the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago

KINGSTON, JAMAICA – April 26, 2018 – Jamaica's culinary fare was recently showcased in Ottawa, Ontario, during a Jamaican Gastronomy Festival. Approximately 350 food enthusiasts from Ottawa and the surrounding area enjoyed Jamaican specialties during themed buffet luncheons and VIP dinners over the three-day event. Held at Carleton Grill at the Sheraton Ottawa Hotel, the event featured the culinary artistry of guest Executive Chef Glenroy Walker from Sandals Resorts International

Thanks to the hotel's proximity to Canada's parliament buildings, many attendees were government officials and local business people who not only enjoyed the festival but were interested in booking trips to Jamaica.

At the invitation of Louise Paquette, the Jamaica Tourist Board's Business Development Manager in the region, local travel agents were in attendance during the festival. Pacquette used the occasion to share stories of Jamaica's gastronomy offerings with the attendees and inviting them to learn more about the island at www.visitjamaica.com.

The luncheon menu featured Roasted Pumpkin & Codfish Salad, Pan-seared Snapper in a Coconut Rundown Sauce and Ackee & White Chocolate Cheese Cake, while the VIP five-course dinner served up Escovitched Lobster, Blue Mountain Coffee-rubbed Beef Tenderloin and Coconut Brule with Appleton-flamed Marshmallow for dessert.

The festival was a partnership with the Jamaican High Commission, Jamaica Tourist Board, Sandals Resorts and the Sheraton Ottawa Hotel.



ABOVE: Glenroy Walker, Executive Chef, Sandals Resorts International poses beside the luncheon buffet during the Jamaican Gastronomy Festival in Ottawa.



ABOVE: Chef Walker shared Jamaican recipes on <u>CTV Morning Live in Ottawa</u> and invited viewers to come sample Jamaican cuisine during the three-day gastronomy festival. He also joined morning hosts on Kiss 105.3 and CKCU-FM radio to promote the festival and provide several lucky listeners with tickets to the luncheon.

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