



## Past NCRLA Chef Showdown Champions

### 2021 Winners

**NCRLA Chef of the Year:** Chef Saif Rahman | Vidrio, Raleigh

**NCRLA Pastry Chef of the Year:** Chef Tiesha Whittaker | Buttermilk Boutique, Clayton NC

**NCRLA Mixologist of the Year:** Colleen Hughes, Supperland, a part of the Tonidandel-Brown Restaurant Group in Charlotte NC

**NCRLA Distillery of the Year:** Sutler's Spirits, Winston-Salem NC

**Runner-up for Chef of the Year:** Chef Chayil Johnson | Community Matters Cafe, Charlotte NC

**Runner-up for Pastry Chef of the Year:** Chef Gerald Hawkins Jr. | Gaston Country Club, Gastonia NC

**People's Choice Savory Chef:** Chef Matthew Rivers | Timberlake's Restaurant at Chetola Mountain Resort, Blowing Rock NC

**People's Choice Pastry Chef:** Chef Savanna Brodar | Kimpton Tryon Park Hotel, Charlotte NC

**People's Choice Specialty Cocktail & Distillery:** David Schmidt at Fin & Fettle in Charlotte NC representing Hackney Distillery in Washington NC

## 2019 Winners

**NCRLA Chef of the Year:** Chef Steven Goff, AUX Bar, Asheville NC

**NCRLA Pastry Chef of the Year:** Chef Jamie Turner, The Asbury & Soul Food Sessions, Charlotte NC

**NCRLA Mixologist & Distillery of the Year:** Jonny Burritt & Apothecary Beverage Company, makers of Chemist Spirits, Asheville NC

## 2018 Winners

**NCRLA Chef of the Year:** Chef Travis Myers, Willow's Bistro, Winston-Salem NC

**NCRLA Pastry Chef of the Year:** Chef Miranda Brown, The Asbury, Charlotte NC

**NCRLA Mixologist of the Year:** Joe Nicol, representing Fainting Goat Spirits, Greensboro NC

## 2017 Winners

**NCRLA Chef of the Year:** Chef Matthew Krenz, The Asbury, Charlotte NC

**NCRLA Pastry Chef of the Year:** Chef Ann Marie Stefaney, Heirloom, Charlotte NC

**NCRLA Mixologist of the Year:** Amanda Britton, representing Muddy River Distillery, Belmont NC

## **2016 Winners**

**NCRLA Chef of the Year:** Chef Jesse Roque, Never Blue, Hendersonville NC

**NCRLA Pastry Chef of the Year:** Chef Jossie Perlmutter Lukacik, Sweet Affairs, Charlotte NC