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***12th Annual Caribbean Cuisine Week Features Top Philadelphia Restaurants
Proceeds from the event help bring 700 Caribbean high school athletes to the Penn Relays***

Philadelphia, PA - March 17, 2016 - **Caribbean and Latin**-inspired dishes and drinks await diners at many of Philadelphia’s top restaurants during the 12th Annual Caribbean Cuisine Week (CCW), @caribbcuisine, to be held **April 13 -15, 2016**. CCW partners with top chefs throughout Center City and Greater Philadelphia who create special dishes to help bring over **700 economically disadvantaged Caribbean high school athletes here to compete in the Penn Relays**.

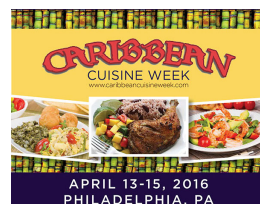
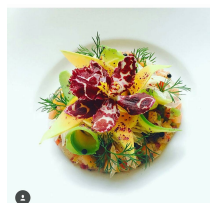
The Penn Relays is the largest track and field event in the United States, drawing over 115,000 people to Philadelphia each Spring. CCW assists student-athletes from Jamaica, Trinidad and Tobago, Grenada, St. Vincent and the Bahamas, with ground transportation, three hot meals a day, emergency medical, and other hospitality services. Many of these students aspire to be like the famed Jamaican Olympian Usain Bolt — “the fastest man in the world” — who benefited from CCW while in high school.

One must simply dine at a participating restaurant during CCW. The restaurants will then donate a portion of the proceeds from the three-day period to the Young Caribbean Professional Network (YCPN) @ycpnphilly, the local non-profit sponsoring the initiative.

Rob DeAbreu, owner of Sabriná's Cafe, hails from St. Kitts and is proud to be CCW’s lead sponsor. All five of his restaurants are participating. “Philadelphia is a global city and was recently named the first U.S. World Heritage Site,” he said. “This event is an opportunity for our great chefs to draw on the international flavors that influence their creativity, and to give back to the community.”

Zavino University City is also a sponsor and will generously host a kick-off event on Tuesday, April 12 from 6 to 8 pm.

Participating restaurants include Sabrinás Cafe Italian Market, well as Sabriná’s Cafe & Spencer’s Too, Sabriná’s Cafe@Powelton, Sabriná’s Cafe Wynnewood, Sabriná’s Cafe Collingswood, Zavino University City, 48th Street Grille, Reef Restaurant & Lounge, Mixto, among others. There is still time to join CCW’s roster of restaurants. Interested restaurants should contact Kathryn.Roberson@aecpartners.net, 215.315.4399, x 701. For more information, visit www.caribbeancuisineweek.com



Jamaican H.S. Penn Relay Winners

Akee & Salt Fish over rice, courtesy of Creme Brûlée

Salmon Ceviche courtesy of Chef Jason Howard

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About Young Professional Caribbean Network - The Young Caribbean Professional Network (YCPN) aspires to create access to education and economic opportunities for students and young professionals in the global marketplace. YCPN encourages young professionals from the African, Latino, Asian, Haitian, African/American and European communities to join and build a strong Young Global Network in the New York/Philadelphia region. YCPN produces Caribbean Cuisine Week, an annual dining-out event which engages Philadelphia's finest restaurants in a fun-filled week of food, music and community service. Proceeds from the event help 700 high school students attend and compete in the Penn Relays. YCPN also provides book and emergency scholarships to College/University students in the Greater Philadelphia region.

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