

FACES & PLACES

# Gold Medal Plates

It was a full house Saturday for the grand finale of the Canadian Culinary Championships at the Delta Grand Hotel.

Marc Lepine of Atelier Restaurant in Ottawa won the gold medal. Silver went to Rob Feenie of Cactus Club in Vancouver, and bronze to JP St-Denis from Kitchen Gallerie Poisson in Montreal. The event not only recognizes Canada's top chefs, it is a fundraiser for the Canadian Olympic team.



Medal-winning chefs, from left, JP St-Denis, Marc Lepine and Rob Feenie celebrate on the podium.



Culinary students from Okanagan College and Thompson Rivers University helped plate the dishes.

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"Turb," from Ancaster, Ont., chats with Marlene Trittenbach of Switzerland, whose son, Jan, was competing for Packrat Louie's of Edmonton.



Ed Robertson of Bare Naked Ladies and Barney Bentall entertain the crowd.



Left, chef Jonathan Gushue of Langdon Hall Hotel and Spa in Toronto serves his scallop dish to Valerie Simons.



JP St-Denis' tuna and veal tongue dish was delicious.



Paulo Fulgencio and Shae McEachnie.



Olympic athletes joined in for an evening-ending sing-along.



Cheryl Hankey and Jacquie McFarland with Canadian Olympic medallist Chris Le Bihan.