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Dear Friends,

When preparing an annual report, most foundations think first about "the numbers." Did we accomplish all the programs and events we promised? Did we reach our donor targets? Did we meet our mission programs budget? We are delighted to report that Fiscal Year 2016 was the James Beard Foundation’s most successful in history, delivering a surplus of more than $1.1 million on revenues of over $12 million (see pages 50–51). This was a very proud accomplishment as we approach our Foundation’s 30th Anniversary year.

What really drove the year’s success was people: our JBF staff, trustees, and you—the chefs and restaurateurs, donors and diners, scholars and sponsors, media, and members! And that’s why we are writing about all of you in this Fiscal Year 2016 Annual Report (April 1, 2015–March 31, 2016).

Thirty years ago, when the James Beard Foundation was founded by friends of James Beard, it was with the intent that the Foundation would continue Beard’s work to elevate the importance of the role of food in our culture and foster the appreciation of American cookery both here and abroad—in the finest of restaurants, at neighborhood meeting places, and in our home kitchens.

As we celebrate our anniversary, we believe James Beard would be proud of what the Foundation has accomplished, and we think he’d be even more delighted to see the direction in which we are going.

Just a few of our BIG achievements: we brought the most celebrated culinary honors in the country, our James Beard Awards, to Chicago; we worked with the U.S. Department of State to represent the American perspective on our food world at the USA Pavilion for the 2015 World Expo in Milan, Italy; we published our second cookbook, James Beard’s All-American Eats, which celebrates James Beard Award-winning community restaurants around the country; and we continued to work to create a healthier, more sustainable food system with our Foundation’s Impact Programs.

Like so many, we believe that you truly get what you give. The more work we do as a Foundation, the more great friends and partners we make. Over the past year, we’ve teamed up with inspiring organizations such as Partnership for a Healthier America, Food Bank for New York City, Wellness in the Schools, Food Policy Action, and God’s Love We Deliver to bring attention and resources to some of the most important food issues of our time.

As you read about how we’ve accomplished our mission to celebrate, nurture, and honor America’s diverse culinary heritage through programs that educate and inspire, we hope that you will be inspired to become more involved in our programs. None of this work would be possible without the support of our passionate staff, the wise counsel of our Board of Trustees, and the generous support of our donors and sponsors.

“Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed people can change the world,” Margaret Mead once said. “Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has.”

We believe that together, we really can make our food world a better place!

SUSAN UNGARO
President

EMILY LUCHETTI
Chair of the Board of Trustees

Over $750,000 in financial aid to students
Nearly 200 fundraising dinners a year at the Beard House
Over 65 James Beard Awards
Over 60 events in more than 50 cities
Five James Beard Leadership Awards
One new James Beard Foundation cookbook
JAMES BEARD HOUSE

ONE-OF-A-KIND DINING
Chef Elizabeth Falkner cooking in the James Beard House kitchen during the "Salmon Seduction" dinner.
More than 295 JBF programs and events took place in 27 states and territories throughout fiscal year 2016.

Over 4,700 hours were volunteered by dedicated culinary students to working with established chefs.

More than 1,075 chefs and culinary professionals were featured in JBF events and programs throughout fiscal year 2016.

More than 29,200 food enthusiasts across America attended JBF programs and events throughout fiscal year 2016.
For almost 30 years, the historic James Beard House has hosted one-night-only, pop-up-style dining events that feature the best chefs from across the country. Open to JBF members and the general public, our guest-chef dinner series continued in fiscal year 2016, with almost 200 events taking place and more than 400 visiting chefs passing through our storied kitchen.

Beard on Books is a free monthly series of readings and discussions with celebrated chefs and authors. Madhur Jaffrey, Mindy Segal, Alex Stupak, and many others headlined Beard on Books events this past year.
JAMES BEARD AWARDS

CELEBRATING TOP TALENT
Food Network star Alton Brown hosting the 2015 James Beard Awards Gala in Chicago.
“The James Beard Foundation has enjoyed a special friendship with the city of Chicago for decades. It’s a city that boasts over 40 James Beard Award winners, as well as a special community of chefs and restaurateurs who have always supported the work of our Foundation. We believe celebrating our 2015 Awards in Chicago is consistent with our mission to honor excellence all across America.”

SUSAN UNGARO
JBF President
Hosted by chef, restaurateur, and television personality Carla Hall, the JBF Book, Broadcast & Journalism Awards were held on April 24, 2015, at Pier Sixty at Chelsea Piers in New York City. More than 500 guests attended this celebration of the best cookbooks, reporting, podcasts, digital content, and other culinary media.
JAMES BEARD IMPACT PROGRAMS

Attendees at a Chef’s Boot Camp in Shelburne, Vermont
The 2016 fiscal year concluded with the announcement of the Foundation’s new Impact Programs, which will engage the culinary community in the creation of a sustainable food system that provides nutritious and delicious food for all. Before the announcement, the Foundation spent six years planning, piloting, and instituting programs that address sustainability and food advocacy. The existing Impact Programs served close to 600 participants last year.

The James Beard Foundation’s Chefs Boot Camp for Policy and Change provides chefs with advocacy and leadership skills for food-system activism. At the Foundation’s 2015 sessions, 30 chefs received training with a focus on childhood nutrition. These participants, now equipped with a powerful political voice, belong to the Foundation’s growing community of Chefs Boot Camp alumni who are striving to create a better food system for all Americans.
JBF welcomed nearly 250 dynamic professionals from the health and sustainability fields at the sixth annual JBF Food Conference. Themed “Rethinking the Future of Food,” the two-day gathering featured thought-provoking panels and presentations. Speakers included Secretary of Agriculture Tom Vilsack and NASA’s chief scientist Ellen Stofan.

For the fifth year in a row, JBF presented its annual Leadership Awards, which honor pioneers and changemakers in agriculture, nutrition, and sustainability. The October ceremony, which took place in New York City atop Hearst Tower, celebrated the following individuals: Don Bustos, farmer and co-director of the American Friends Service Committee; Eliot Coleman, farmer, author, agricultural researcher, and educator; Saru Jayaraman, co-founder and co-director, Restaurant Opportunities Centers United and Director, Food Labor Research Center at University of California, Berkeley; Sam Kass, former senior policy advisor for nutrition, The White House; and Bryant Terry, chef, author, and food justice activist.
In 2015 JBF piloted its Culinary Lab program, which connects chefs and producers in experiential-learning sessions. The inaugural workshop focused on underutilized fish species and was held in Providence, Rhode Island. More than 40 culinary professionals, ranging from chefs de cuisine to line cooks, attended.

**CULINARY LABS**

**ENLIGHTENED EATERS**

Free and open to the public, Enlightened Eaters is a series of talks featuring influential authors whose work focuses on public health, sustainability, and more. Last year JBF hosted four Enlightened Eaters events in partnership with Slow Food NYC and the Natural Gourmet Institute. Speakers included James Beard Award winner Michael Anthony, Amy Bentley, Candice Kumai, and JBF Leadership Award recipient Marion Nestle.

**FOOD FOR THOUGHT**

**OPPOSITE**

Chefs participate in a fish butchery Culinary Lab led by chef Derek Wagner

**BELOW**

JBF Leadership Award recipient Marion Nestle’s latest book, *Soda Politics*, was part of the year’s Enlightened Eaters series.

**SODA POLITICS**

TAKING ON BIG SODA (AND WINNING)

MARION NESTLE

FOREWORD BY MARK ORRMAN OPENERED BY REID BAER

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JAMES BEARD SCHOLARSHIP AND GRANT PROGRAMS

TOMORROW'S CULINARY TALENT
One of hundreds of student volunteers in the James Beard House kitchen
“Being awarded this JBF scholarship means so much more than the financial relief of having my tuition debt reduced. It is an injection of confidence and inspires me to push forward even more. It means the Foundation recognizes the personal and professional challenges to be faced when reinvention becomes necessary.”

VICKI DARABI
JBF Scholarship Winner

The JBF Scholarship Program is central to the Foundation’s work. Since its inception in 1991, the program has awarded more than $6 million in financial aid to a diverse group of promising and hardworking culinarians, ranging from recent high school graduates to professionals who seek a career change. JBF scholarship recipients hail from varied backgrounds and embody a wide range of experiences. Their academic and vocational focus includes food sciences (agriculture, sustainability, nutrition, chemistry); food studies (history, anthropology, literature, economics); business (management, entrepreneurship, hospitality, food systems), and the essentials of the culinary arts, like cooking and baking.

In 2015 the James Beard Foundation awarded 87 individual cash scholarships and 30 tuition waivers, totaling more than $670,000 in financial aid, to deserving individuals.

$670K
IN FINANCIAL AID TO DESERVING INDIVIDUALS IN FISCAL YEAR 2016
Jean-Louis Palladin grant recipients
José Ramírez-Ruiz and Pam Yung of Brooklyn’s Semilla

2015 SCHOLARSHIPS OFFERED

SCHOLARSHIP AND GRANT PROGRAMS

OFFERED TO SUPPORT STUDENTS AND PROFESSIONALS

21c Museum Hotel Scholarship
4 Rivers Smokehouse & The Legends Series Jacksonville Culinary Scholarship
5 Fusion and Sushi Bar Scholarship
Alain Ducasse Education Scholarship
Alberto Bello Scholarship
American Restaurant Scholarship
Andrew Zimmern “Second Chances” Scholarship
AnQi by House of An - South Coast Plaza Scholarship
Art Institute of Pittsburgh honoring chef Tony Pais Scholarship
Bern Laxer Memorial Scholarship
Bob Zappatelli Memorial Scholarship
Charles Dale/ Santa Fe Culinary Academy Scholarship
Charleston Wine + Food Scholarship
Charlie Trotter Memorial Scholarship
Chelsea Market Sunday Supper Scholarship
Chris Desens/St. Louis Friends of James Beard Scholarship
Christian Wölffer Scholarship
Clay Triplett Memorial Scholarship
ConnectOne Bank Scholarship
CRU Restaurant Scholarship
Dana Campbell Memorial Scholarship
Deseo at the Westin Scholarship
Destination & Travel Foundation Scholarship
Flight Restaurant & Wine Bar Scholarship
Fred Halpert Scholarship
Fulton Youth of the Future at the Robert Fulton Houses Scholarship
Gino Cofacci Memorial Scholarship
Green Door Gourmet Scholarship
Heaven on Seven Scholarship
High South Bentonville Culinary Scholarship
JBF General Scholarship for Culinary Studies
Jean-Louis Palladin Professional Work/Study Grant
La Petite Grocery Scholarship
La Toque Scholarship in Wine Studies Scholarship
M.Y. China Scholarship
Mandarin Oriental, Miami, Food & Beverage Rising Star Scholarship
Marc Restaurant at the Marcus Whitman Hotel Scholarship
Marcel Desaulniers Scholarship
Marché Moderne - South Coast Plaza Scholarship
Mildred Amico Scholarship
Milestone “Mike” Grgich’s American Dream Scholarship
Morgan’s in the Desert, La Quinta Resort & Spa Scholarship
Moto Restaurant Scholarship
Omaha Steaks Scholarship
Omni Amelia Island Plantation Scholarship
Palm Desert Food & Wine Festival Scholarship
Paris Bistro Scholarship
Honoring Georges Perrier Scholarship
Patrick Clark Memorial Scholarship
Peter Cameron/ Housewares Charity Foundation Scholarship
Peter Kump Memorial Scholarship
The Phoenician Scholarship
Ranch House at Devil’s Thumb Ranch Scholarship
Red Stag Supper Club
Rhone Rangers Professional Study/Travel Grant
Roland Liccioni Scholarship
Rosewood Mansion on Turtle Creek Scholarship
SMCTA Culinary Arts Scholarship
Spanish Wine Studies Scholarship
Steven Scher Memorial Scholarship for Aspiring Restaurateurs Scholarship
Sullivan University/ Brown Hotel Scholarship
Sunday Supper South Atlanta Scholarship
Sunday Supper Union Market, Washington, D.C.
Taste America Scholarships
Tony May Scholarship for Italian Culinary Studies at the Italian Culinary Institute for Foreigners Scholarship
The Venetian and The Palazzo Culinary Scholarship
Visit Orlando Scholarship
Wally Joe’s Scholarship
Zov’s Bistro Scholarship
Women in Culinary Leadership is a paid, accelerated, learning-by-doing mentorship program. Offered under the auspices of the James Beard Foundation, WICL gives women with a minimum of two years of professional hospitality or culinary experience the chance to work with top industry leaders and build in-depth skills in the kitchen, in restaurant management, or in both areas. Candidates learn firsthand how to break through the culinary world’s “glass ceiling.” The 2015 Women in Culinary Leadership Grant Program paired the following grantees with these restaurant industry leaders:

**KIMBERLY FENOY**  
Completed a six-month, front-of-house program overseen by Kevin Boehm.  
Boka Restaurant Group, Chicago

**VENESSA GOLDBERG**  
Completed a 12-month, back- and front-of-house program overseen by Tom Douglas.  
Multiple Restaurants, Seattle

**ALEXANDRA HARE**  
Completed a six-month, back- and front-of-house program overseen by Donnie Madia.  
Nico Osteria, Chicago

**DELILAH AMANDA LYNN**  
Completed a six-month, back- and front-of-house program overseen by Kevin Brown.  
Lettuce Entertain You Enterprises, Chicago

**COURTNEY SEGAL**  
Completed a six-month, back- and front-of-house program overseen by Matt and Kate Jennings.  
Townsman, Boston

**TITIK SUPRATI**  
Completed a 12-month, back- and front-of-house program overseen by Rohini Dey.  
Vermilion, Chicago

**KATRIN SYDNOR**  
Completed a six-month, back-of-house program overseen by Anthony Lamas.  
Seviche, Louisville, KY

**SUPPORT FOR ASPIRING WOMEN**  
Venessa Goldberg, a successful graduate of the 2015 WICL program.
LOCAL FLAVOR FROM COAST TO COAST

JBF Award winners Gavin Kaysen and Jonathan Waxman at the Taste America Minneapolis dinner
For the first time ever, the Foundation’s glamorous annual fall gala was held at the iconic Rainbow Room atop New York City’s Rockefeller Plaza. Themed “New York, New York,” the event gathered some of the city’s finest culinary and beverage talent, including Daniel Humm, Amanda Freitag, Ghaya Oliveira, and Marcus Samuelsson, as well as Rainbow Room’s own executive chef Jonathan Wright and pastry chef Thierry Delourmeaux. During the festive evening, the Foundation unveiled its new JBF National Scholars Program. The first class of National Scholars will be announced in 2016.

In 2015 the Foundation celebrated the 25th anniversary of Chefs & Champagne®, its annual tasting party held at Wölffer Estate Vineyard in the Hamptons. The event, which honored the Emmy Award–winning chef, cookbook author, and television personality Carla Hall, featured select beverages and culinary offerings from more than 35 chefs. The James Beard Foundation also announced the 2015 recipient of the Christian Wölffer Scholarship, which supports students pursuing the study of food or wine.
For the third year in a row, the James Beard Foundation hosted events in ten cities during its national fall tour, Taste America. The program featured ten acclaimed All-Star chefs, including Hugh Acheson, April Bloomfield, Traci Des Jardins, Rocco DiSpirito, Tyler Florence, Mark Ladner, Tony Mantuano, Michel Nischan, Art Smith, and Jonathan Waxman. Each city's programming included cooking demonstrations, book signings, and unique dining experiences, all in support of the Foundation’s many programs, including the JBF Scholarship Program.
CELEBRITY CHEF TOUR

For the 11th consecutive year, JBF brought the Beard House dining experience to many American cities through its Celebrity Chef Tour. Guests at these events enjoy an exciting multi-course meal and interact with the evening’s chef talent. Celebrity Chef Tour made stops in more than 20 cities in fiscal year 2016.

FRIENDS OF JAMES BEARD BENEFITS AND SUNDAY SUPPERS

The Foundation’s Friends of James Beard Benefits, which include the Sunday Supper series, continued giving diners access to unique culinary experiences and raising funds for the JBF Scholarship Program.
In 2015 the James Beard Foundation’s social media reach grew by more than 300,000 followers, allowing us to communicate with and influence millions with our message. The Foundation also produced engaging content on its website, jamesbeard.org.

**JAMES BEARD SOCIAL MEDIA**

**Twitter**
@beardfoundation

- **158,000** new Twitter followers in 2015
- **476,600** total Twitter followers
- **50.1%** growth during fiscal year 2016

**Facebook**
@beardfoundation

- **20,500** new Facebook likes in 2015
- **101,100** total Facebook likes
- **25.5%** growth during fiscal year 2016

**Instagram**
@beardfoundation

- **155,700** new Instagram followers in 2015
- **249,000** total Instagram followers
- **168.6%** growth during fiscal year 2016

Followings as of March 2016
In 2015 JBF continued to broadcast its exciting Beard House events to the public on the JBF Kitchen Cam.

Continuing its partnership with Simmer, the Foundation also produced several instructional cooking videos, which were filmed in the historic Beard House kitchen.

**RECIPEs AND COOKING**

OPPOSITE

LIVE ACTION
Chefs at work in the Beard House kitchen

BELOW

ORIGINAL COOKING VIDEOS
Content on the James Beard Foundation’s Simmer profile
Fiscal Year 2016 was a record year for the James Beard Foundation, thanks to the contributions of our many supporters and partners. The $1,157 MM surplus was the greatest in our organization’s history. The year also brought a notable change of venue for one of our signature programs: after 24 years in New York City, our James Beard Awards Gala was celebrated in Chicago, where we enjoyed a rousing welcome from the chef and food community. Our ever-expanding Impact Programs (The JBF Food Conference, Chefs Boot Camps, Culinary Labs) reached an even broader segment of the culinary community, and we awarded our highest-ever total of culinary scholarships. Among other program highlights, dinners at the Beard House in New York, along with our national Taste America and Celebrity Chef Tour events, contributed significantly to the Foundation’s revenue stream. Next year promises to build on our past achievements, as we continue to invest in our Impact and Scholarship programs.
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION  
(for the year ended March 31, 2016)

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ALLOCATION OF EXPENSES

The James Beard Foundation is committed to using funds responsibly.

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES  
(for the year ended March 31, 2016)

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Audited financial statements available online at jamesbeard.org/financials.
JAMES BEARD
SPECIAL PROJECTS
The Foundation published its second original cookbook in spring of 2016. A celebration of the James Beard Foundation’s America’s Classics award, which is given to locally owned eateries, *James Beard’s All-American Eats: Recipes and Stories from Our Best-Loved Local Restaurants* tells the poignant stories behind these restaurants and shares their recipes for dishes that are sure to stir a craving for home.
EXPO MILANO 2015

The James Beard Foundation was proud to take a leading role in curating all of the exhibits and programming for the American pavilion at the first world’s fair dedicated to the subject of food. The underlying theme of Expo Milano was “How will we feed the 9 billion people expected to inhabit the earth by the year 2050?” Each of the 145 participating countries posed answers that were unique to their culture. The USA Pavilion presented an American perspective on that question, bringing together the brightest minds and most innovative thinking from around the country and wrapping it in a celebration of American food culture, past and present.

Highlights of the exhibits included video montages of renowned experts and stakeholders from farming, research, nutrition, cooking, industry, and policymaking, as well as live-action and animated vignettes about contemporary American food culture. Culinary programs included Food Truck Nation, a fleet of six custom food trucks that served regional American street foods, from Texas barbecued brisket to New England lobster rolls to New York–style cheesecake. The James Beard American Restaurant, located outside the Expo grounds in central Milan and atop the historic Galleria Vittorio Emanuele II, welcomed 65 chefs from across America to showcase the finest in American cuisine. Public talks, seminars, conferences, movie festivals, a food and technology accelerator, and other events at the USA Pavilion and around Milan attracted thousands of participants, making the USA Pavilion the most visited participating country at the Expo, with more than 6.2 million people coming to see what American Food 2.0 was all about.

Among the official high-ranking American guests to the USA Pavilion were First Lady Michelle Obama, Secretary of State John Kerry, Secretary of Agriculture Tom Vilsack, Minority Speaker of the House Congresswoman Nancy Pelosi, NASA chief administrator and astronaut Charles Bolden, and many more. Other VIPs and celebrity visitors included Israel Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, Her Royal Highness Maha Chakri Sirindhorn of Thailand, Martha Stewart, Michael Kors, Norman Lear, and hundreds of others.
JAMES BEARD
LEADERSHIP AND SUPPORT
The James Beard Foundation’s mission is to celebrate, nurture, and honor America’s diverse culinary heritage through programs that educate and inspire.
DONORS

The James Beard Foundation gratefully acknowledges the following for their tax-deductible support of our programs.

$100,000+
The GRACE Communications Foundation
The International Housewares Association
The James B. Beam Charitable Foundation
The Mary Jean and Frank P. Smeal Foundation

$25,000—$99,999
Edna
The Elkes Family Foundation
The Osprey Foundation
Seminole Hard Rock Hotel and Casino
Vermilion

$10,000—$24,999
Anonymous
William Campbell
The Carl M. Freeman Foundation in Memory of Matt Hailey
Food Works, Inc.

$100—$999
Lazy Bear
Richard Melman and Lettuce Entertain You Enterprises
One Off Hospitality
The Rioja Festival
Seviche, A Latin Restaurant

$1,000—$9,999
1770 House
5 Fusion and Sushi Bar
Richard Aborn
The American Restaurant
Arizona Seven
The Art Institutes International
Alison Awerbuck
Batello
Bentonville Convention and Visitors Bureau
Bern’s Steakhouse
Kevin Boehm
Boka Restaurant
Diane Harris and Jared Brown
Jeff Bunzel
CBCC Corporation
Charity Buzz
The Chattanoogan
ConnectOne Bank
Cooks and Soldiers
Crucian Heritage and Nature Tourism, Inc.
The Denver Five
Deso at The Westin Kierland
Devil’s Thumb Ranch
Edison Food and Drink Lab
Jean Erickson
Randall Goldman
John Goodman
Nicholas Gray
Hansen’s Sno-Bliz and Sno-Socks, Inc.
Rita Jammet
The Jewish Community Foundation
Abigail Krinch
Dean R. Koontz
E. J. Krause & Associates, Inc.
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