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MICHELIN AND ROBERT PARKER WINE ADVOCATE IGNITES THE SENSES WITH FIRST LOOK AT THE EXOTIC GALA DINNER MENU Gourmet Journey to debut at Studio City on November 11

MACAU, October 20, 2016 (Thursday) – Michelin along with **Robert Parker Wine Advocate**, with the support of Official Title Partner **Melco Crown Entertainment**, are celebrating the launch of the Michelin Hong Kong Macau 2017 Dining Series with an inaugural gala dinner at Studio City, Macau on November 11, unveiling the extravagant 14-hands gastronomical treat themed SENSES, designed and prepared by seven magnificent celebrity chefs with exclusive wine and champagne pairings selected by Robert Parker Wine Advocate. The gala event is part of the Dining Series with the Macau Government Tourism Office as the Official Supporting Entity.

Joining the chefs will be fashion maven and Hollywood costume designer, **Manuel Albarran**, who will orchestrate a sensual showcase during the gala dinner, bringing the SENSES theme to life.

Starting the gastronomical journey is Shinji Kanesaka from one-star restaurant Sushi Kanesaka in Tokyo who has created a dish that will awaken the first sense – *touch*. His cold presentation is an artisanal triptych of **Otoro Fatty Tuna Belly, Sea Urchin and Hokkaido Ikura** which is best paired with the iconic **NV Champagne Perrier-Jouët, Blason Rosé Brut, Épernay**. With the cool touch to the lips, followed by a subtle fresh sensation of the sea washed down with the acidity of the fine champagne, touch is delicately introduced.

Guillaume Galliot from two-star restaurant The Tasting Room in Macau focuses on *sight* with his **Alaskan Snow Crab Salad with Laksa Foam**. The visual artistry of this dish light up the ballroom with its fiery hues of the fresh seafood and Asian-inspired foam. This vivid dish is paired with **2013 Meursault 1er Cru 'Les Genevrières' Rémi Jobard, Burgundy** made from the grapes of very old vines to create a mineral, terroir-filled wine that has richness and depth to offset the richly balanced flavours.

Björn Frantzén from two-star restaurant Frantzén in Stockholm brings to life umami, the *taste*, with his **Seared Hokkaido Scallop**. His dish is finessed with a gentle Nordic dashi, served with spruce shoots and fingerlime, and dried scallop roe to be paired also with **2013 Meursault 1er Cru 'Les Genevrières' Rémi Jobard, Burgundy**.

Tam Kwok Fung from two-star restaurant Jade Dragon in Macau explores *smell* with **Osmanthus Smoked Baked Racan Pigeon.** When the diner peels back the gold foil from the pigeon, the gentle waft of charcoal smoke and Chinese herbal undertones promise a taste of things to come. Paired with the elegance, power and smoothness of **2006 Château Latour à Pomerol, Pomerol, Bordeaux** and **2006 Château La Fleur-Pétrus, Pomerol, Bordeaux**, described by Robert Parker as having a typical power, thickness, and richness, as well as a

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superb perfume of flowers, melted licorice, scorched earth, and abundant black and red fruits, the dish will take the harmonics of the gala to new heights.

Sound is introduced with a Soft Poached Ise Lobster, Shiitake Mushrooms and Layered Seaweed – by Hideaki Matsuo from three-star restaurant Kashiwaya in Osaka. With the sound of the oceans layered throughout including the guests crunching between their fingers the crisp seaweed, his creation is a Pandora's box of surprises. 2004 Champagne Pol Roger, Extra Cuvée de Reserve Brut, Épernay provides the perfect polyphonic partner to this symphony of the seas.

Alvin Leung from three-star restaurant Bo Innovation in Hong Kong brings all the senses to life with **The Demon X-treme Beef** paired with the clean caresses of **2006 Château Hosanna**, **Pomerol, Bordeaux** with its lush sensual textures and dense plum colour and sweet nose of roasted coffee, caramel, mocha, and lavish quantities of black cherry and black currant fruit, and **2006 Château Trotanoy, Pomerol, Bordeaux**, described by Robert Parker as having an earthy, big-boned, brawny, muscular style. This wine is deep, rich, full-bodied, with loads of meaty black cherry fruit intermixed with crushed rocks, truffle, and a hint of autumnal vegetation.

Pierre Hermé, voted the World's Best Pastry Chef and known as "the Picasso of Pastry", concludes the dinner by introducing his pièce de resistance, **Sensation Infiniment Chocolat**, **Pure Origine Bresil, Plantation Paineras** – a sensational single origin bitter chocolate from Brazil that is paired with the intensely rich **1888 ABF Old Tawny Port, Quinta do Vallado**.

A visual spectacle by Manual Albarran

Throughout the gala dinner, **Manuel Albarran** will create a show in five acts bringing each sense to life with his conceptual innovation using his avant garde costumes, enhancing the dining experience with a multicultural visual trip that is action packed with style and glamour. Like a conductor at an orchestra, he will conduct the tempo of the gala dinner with his show and skillfully touch the emotions of the guests that evening, transporting them to a place of exquisite refinement that is embodied by Michelin and Robert Parker. Manual Albarran's fifth act concludes with a saxophonist who will play exhilarating melodies.

Michelin and Robert Parker Wine Advocate Gala Dinner: *A Sensorial Gourmet Journey* will be held on November 11 at the Grand Ballroom in Studio City, Macau and is priced at USD 720 (MOP 5,750) per person for seven courses and Robert Parker-rated wines to be paired.

Tickets for the Michelin Hong Kong Macau 2017 Dining Series including the November 11 Gala Dinner are available from the Michelin Guide Hong Kong Macau's bilingual website: <u>https://guide.michelin.com.hk./</u>



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Otoro Fatty Tuna Belly, Sea Urchin and Hokkaido Ikura

A subtle interplay of crisp salmon roe, the softness of sea urchin and creamy tuna belly Shinji Kanesaka

NV Champagne Perrier-Jouët, Blason Rosé Brut, Épernay

Alaskan Snow Crab Salad with Laksa Foam

A unique combination of Asia inspired spiced foam and the freshness of Alaskan crab meat *Guillaume Galliot*

2013 Meursault 1er Cru 'Les Genevrières' Rémi Jobard, Burgundy

Seared Hokkaido Scallop

Served with fingerlime, spruce shoots, dried scallop roe and Nordic "dashi" *Bjorn Frantzen*

2013 Meursault 1er Cru 'Les Genevrières' Rémi Jobard, Burgundy

Osmanthus Smoked Baked Racan Pigeon

An osmanthus flower smoked Racan pigeon, baked on charcoal with Chinese herbal tones Tam Kwok Fung

> 2006 Château Latour à Pomerol, Pomerol, Bordeaux 2006 Château La Fleur-Pétrus, Pomerol, Bordeaux

Soft Poached Ise Lobster, Shiitake Mushrooms and Layered Seaweed

The sound of the ocean rings true in this signature dish of soft Ise lobster and a box of surprises Matsuo Hideaki

2004 Champagne Pol Roger, Extra Cuvée de Reserve Brut, Épernay

The Demon X-treme Beef Bo-Innovation Chef Alvin's sound of the senses expressed through his favorite dish

Alvin Leung

2006 Château Hosanna, Pomerol, Bordeaux 2006 Chateau Trotanoy, Pomerol, Bordeaux

Sensation Infiniment Chocolat, Pure Origine Bresil, Plantation Paineras

A sensational single origin Brazilian bitter chocolate experience *Pierre Hermé*

1888 ABF Old Tawny Port, Quinta do Vallado

Pierre Hermé Petit Fours

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