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Gary Maclean to receive the Mark Twain Award Presented by the Saint Andrew's Society of the State of New York

The Saint Andrew's Society of the State of New York is pleased to announce that Gary Maclean, Executive Chef of the City of Glasgow College and Scotland's National Chef, will serve as the honored guest to receive the Mark Twain Award at the 265th Anniversary Banquet on Friday November 19, 2021 in New York City.

The award recognizes individuals who help the Scottish community envision the future, identify paths to success, and carry out a vision. They are leaders in their respective fields and are recognized by their peers for their contributions.

Former award recipients include Writer and Broadcaster, Kirsty Wark; Chairman of Freeman's auction house, Alasdair Nichol; The Rt. Hon. The Viscount Thurso of Ulbster PC, Chair of VisitScotland, Billy Kay and Helen E.R. Sayles CBE.

Mr. Maclean is a distinguished Scot dedicating his career to education and the advancement of healthy and sustainable food usage in the home. His first solo restaurant, Creel Caught, located in Edinburgh's Bonnie & Wild Market, is committed to sustainable sourcing with the finest Scottish seafood. In addition to winning MasterChef: The Professionals Champion 2016, Mr. Maclean is a Chef Lecturer at the City of Glasgow College for 16 years.

Society president, David M. Murphy said: "We are privileged to honor Gary Maclean with the 2021 Mark Twain Award. He is a talented author, educator, and entrepreneur who exemplifies the future of

Scotland. His love for his country and passion for helping others can be seen in every aspect of his life and career.”

Principal and CEO, Dr. Paul Little said, “On behalf of the City of Glasgow College, we congratulate Chef Maclean on receiving this prestigious award. Over the years, Gary has been an inspiration to so many young people demonstrating his love and passion for the Culinary industry. A true advocate for his vocation, Gary has also worked tirelessly in forging partnerships between his beloved Scotland and the United States of America. It is a wonderful endorsement that his hard work and dedication have been recognised as the recipient of the Mark Twain Award. ”

When notified he will be receiving the award, Gary Maclean said, “I am honoured and humbled to be the recipient of this year's Mark Twain Award from The St Andrews Society of New York State. The Society's humanitarian work over the last 265 years to help the people that need it most both in the US and Scotland is truly inspiring. To be honoured in such a way from them is incredible.”

Only limited seating remains. For more information on this event, support opportunities or to reserve your seat, visit **SASNY 265th Anniversary Banquet**.

The annual event raises funds for the society's charitable giving programs and will feature silent and live auctions including an exclusive trip to Scotland.

For full details of the auction prizes, and to place a bid, please visit **SASNY Online Auction** .
Online Auction available for bidding starting on November 10, 2021.

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ABOUT THE SAINT ANDREW'S SOCIETY OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK “Scots of New York”

As New York's oldest charitable organization, the Saint Andrew's Society of the State of New York, aids fellow Scots, the elderly and families in crisis through our beneficiary program. Each year we provide graduate level scholarships to US Scholars to study in the UK and Scottish scholars to study in the US.

We support activities that contribute to the goodwill and understanding between Scotland and the United States. Most recently the Society has formed an alliance with, and provides significant support for two children's hospitals, The Royal Hospital for Children in Glasgow, and the Komansky Children's Hospital at NewYork- Presbyterian and has given a grant to Search and Care a community organization for the elderly.

Saint Andrew's Society of the State of New York is a registered 501(c)3 not for profit organization. Proceeds of Scots of New York® events benefit the Society's programs and operations to support our core functions.