

Museum of the African Diaspora (MoAD) Launches Inaugural Chef-in-Residence Program, Spearheaded By Bryant Terry

Terry, a 2015 James Beard Foundation Leadership Award recipient, Hosts Kick-Off Event Nov. 15



MoAD's Inaugural
Chef-in-Residence
Host Bryant Terry © MoAD

SAN FRANCISCO (Sept. 29, 2015) – The [Museum of the African Diaspora](http://www.landispr.com) (MoAD) announced today the appointment of acclaimed chef, [Bryant Terry](#), to lead its first Chef-in-Residence program. Through this partnership, Terry aims to raise awareness on issues surrounding health, food and farming by engaging local communities through public programs that include artist, curators, chefs, farmers, scholars and writers. The Nov. 15th launch event, Black Women, Food & Power, focuses on a discussion around the roles black women have played historically and contemporarily in the production, distribution and consumption of food.

MoAD's Chef-in-Residence, underwritten by Kaiser Permanente, allows Terry the opportunity to organize a comprehensive and multifaceted program with the museum's staff. The initiative features a wide variety of cultural programs, including educational workshops, author-series lectures and other events that marry food and culture.

"MoAD's Chef-in-Residence illuminates the rich intersection of food, art and culture that permeates the African Diaspora," said Linda Harrison, MoAD's executive director. "The program taps into the widespread and robust interest in food-related

topics, and we're incredibly excited to have Chef Terry on board to lead this new initiative."

"Through the Chef-in-Residence program at MoAD, I hope to bridge the gap that exists between those who work in the food and arts sectors, so we combine our efforts to address issues related to our food system," said Terry. "Most importantly, I look forward to making an impact on the diverse communities living in the Bay Area to engage with people from varying ideologies and educational backgrounds."

About Bryant Terry

For more than a decade, Terry has been committed to changing people's habits, attitudes and politics as they relate to food – all in an effort to create an accessible, healthy, just and sustainable food system. He has been particularly invested in improving the physical, mental and spiritual health of people of African descent. The recipient of the prestigious [2015 James Beard Foundation's Leadership Award](#), Terry is also the author of *Afro-Vegan: Farm-Fresh African, Caribbean & Southern Flavors Remixed* (2014), *The Inspired Vegan: Seasonal Ingredients, Creative Recipes, Mouthwatering Menus* (2012) and *Vegan Soul Kitchen: Fresh, Creative and African-American Cuisine* (2009).



About Museum of African Diaspora (MoAD)

Museum of the African Diaspora (MoAD) is an arts and cultural institution dedicated to preserving the stories of our common African heritage and sharing those stories with audiences from around the world. Situated in the heart of the Yerba Buena Arts District in San Francisco, MoAD is actively engaged in building a community that inspires, educates and connects people of all ages and backgrounds.

MoAD seeks to build a deeper understanding of the African Diaspora through art, programs and events that cultivate wonder and excitement about the ways in which our personal histories are connected. As a nonprofit organization, the museum's operations and programs are supported by grants and contributions from public and private sources.

As a Smithsonian Institution affiliate, MoAD has access to the Smithsonian Institution's 136 million artifact collection for research, exhibits and programming. MoAD joins a network of more than 190 organizations in 45 states, Puerto Rico and Panamá with a shared goal of creating lasting experiences that educate, inspire and broaden perspectives on science, history, world culture and the arts. To learn more and to support MoAD, visit www.moadsf.org.

MEDIA PLEASE NOTE: For hi-res images or to request an interview with Bryant Terry or Linda Harrison, please contact Gus Nodal at (415) 359-2320 or gus@landispr.com.

CALENDAR EDITORS, PLEASE NOTE:

BLACK WOMEN, FOOD & POWER | Panel Discussion & Reception

WHAT:

A reception of hor d'oeuvres and sweet bites will be followed by a panel discussion about the roles black women have historically and contemporarily played in the production, distribution and consumption of food. Panelists include extraordinary cookbook authors, scholars and activists: Toni Tipton Martin, Gail Myers, Nicole Taylor and Caroline Randall Williams. The discussion will be moderated by Psyche Williams-Forsen.

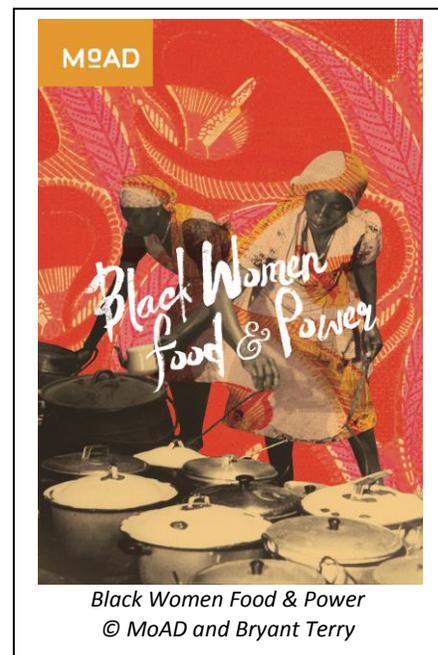
This is the inaugural event launching MoAD's Chef-in-Residence program with chef, author and activist, [Bryant Terry](#). The program was created to introduce and educate the San Francisco Bay Area community about the intersection of food, art and culture of the African Diaspora.

WHERE:

MoAD
685 Mission St.
San Francisco, CA 94105

WHEN:

Sunday, Nov. 15 | 2-5 p.m.



ADMISSION:

\$20 general admission | \$15 for MoAD members

Visit blackwomenfoodpower.eventbrite.com to purchase tickets in advance.

FOR FURTHER INFO: Visit www.moadsf.org

DIASPORA DINNER: Celebrating the Culinary Resilience of the African Diaspora

WHAT:

Join MoAD's Chef-in-Residence [Bryant Terry](#) & [The People's Kitchen](#) for a multi-sensory dining experience in the lobby of the museum. The menu will span generations and continents to celebrate and reflect on the culinary resistance and resilience of the African Diaspora.

In true People's Kitchen style, the meal will be highly interactive, unapologetically political and served family style by a collaboration of chefs and artists. Dishes will be served alongside visual art, live music, storytelling and an after-dinner dance party.

MoAD's Chef-in-Residence program, hosted by chef, author and activist Bryant Terry, was created to introduce and educate the San Francisco Bay Area community about the intersection of food, art and culture of the African Diaspora.

WHERE:

MoAD
685 Mission St.
San Francisco, CA 94105

WHEN:

Tuesday, Dec. 8 | 7-10 p.m.

ADMISSION:

\$100 general admission

Visit diasporadinner.eventbrite.com to purchase tickets in advance.

FOR FURTHER INFO: Visit www.moadsf.org and www.peopleskitchen510.org.

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