



Hilton Sandestin Beach Golf Resort & Spa Welcomes New Pastry Chef

DESTIN, Fla. (April 17, 2012) – The Hilton Sandestin Beach Golf Resort & Spa is proud to announce the addition of Pastry Chef Yascha Becker to their award-winning culinary team. In this position, Becker will oversee the handcrafted pastry creations and design for the countless events that occur in more than 32,000 square feet of indoor and 20,000 square feet of outdoor meeting and banquet space, including the six restaurants at the Hilton Sandestin Beach.

"Chef Yascha brings a wealth of talent and creative culinary skills to the resort," stated Hilton Sandestin Beach Executive Chef John Carey. "His expertise and baking skills will certainly enhance the overall dining and banquet experience for our guests."

As Pastry Chef at Hilton Sandestin Beach, Becker will participate in the creation of all the delectable treats that come out of the resorts' kitchens. From pastries and desserts to breads and other baked goods, Becker will add his unique variation on classic recipes to assert his creative side into each item. Becker's artistic flair is evident through the garnishing and plating of each and every item, creating that "wow factor" to everything that is served from the pastry kitchen at the Hilton Sandestin Beach.

A veteran in the culinary trade for more than 20 years, Becker comes to the Hilton Sandestin Beach with experience from a number of resort properties, including a AAA Four-Diamond resort in Central Florida. There, he took on roles including restaurant manager, Assistant Pastry Chef and Head Pastry Chef, specializing in wedding cakes, center pieces and holiday décor. Becker graduated with a degree in fine arts, but found his passion for cooking while working in the hotel industry and learning culinary skills from great chefs from around the globe.

*Head shot and Pastry Creation image available upon request.

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About the Hilton Sandestin Beach Golf Resort & Spa

The Hilton Sandestin Beach Golf Resort & Spa, managed by Sandcastle Resorts & Hotels, is located on the sugar-white sands and emerald-green waters of Northwest Florida's Gulf Coast in Destin, Fla. Aside from its stunning location, Northwest Florida's largest full-service beachfront resort hotel boasts 598 spacious accommodations, more than 32,000 square feet of award-winning meeting space, a world-class spa and fitness center, six on-site dining venues – including a AAA Four-Diamond restaurant – abundant resort recreation options, access to championship golf courses, and close proximity to the area's best attractions. For more information on Destin's premier hotel, visit www.HiltonSandestinBeach.com, or stay up-to-date with its latest news and promotions on its Blog, Facebook, Twitter or YouTube.