Les Dames d’Escoffier International

Palm Springs Chapter

Membership Application

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Membership Criteria

* Women with at least 5 years of professional experience who demonstrate achievement and show stature in the food, beverage, or hospitality industry.
* Women who support the Les Dames d’Escoffier International Mission, Vision and Basic Values.
* Women who meet LDEI’s ethical standards and have no undisclosed conflict of interest associated with their membership.

Contact Information

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| Name |  |
| Address |  |
| City, State, Zip Code, Country (if international) |  |
| Phone |  |
| Email |  |

Chapter Committees To provide members with the opportunity to take an active part in the success of our Chapter, we have several committees. Members are required to join and actively participate on at least one (1) of the following committees. Please select the committee(s) you are most interested in:

* Programs
* Membership
* Communications
* Scholarship/Philanthropy
* Nominating
* Green Tables
* Global Culinary Initiative
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In Addition

* If I am a member of a committee or task force, I shall contact the chairs when I am unable to attend meetings and shall keep them informed of activities performed on behalf of the committee/task force prior to future meeting dates via e-mails and/or phone calls.
* I will assist in mentoring new Dames, when needed.
* I will be an advocate for Les Dames d’Escoffier International with organizations and individuals that may be able to assist in volunteering, fundraising or other supportive roles – i.e. in-kind donations (financial or food or beverage).
* I will become familiar with essential LDEI policies related to governance, business conduct and conflict of interest.

Member Commitment I understand the important role I play in the organization. I will do my best to live up to my commitment as an active member of the Chapter by abiding by the member requirements. I will also abide by the LDEI Mission and Guiding Principles as stated below.

Annual Dues

The membership dues are $150.00 Sustaining Membership dues are $250.00.

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Your Signature Date

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Print Name

To be considered for membership, please send completed and signed:

Membership Application

* Up-to-date résumé
* Professional letter of reference from Dame
* Signed Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statement
* Signed Code of Ethics form
* A statement detailing how you will contribute to the Chapter (500 words or less)
* Brief bio (3–5 sentences to be used for member introductions)

Questions? contact membership committee chair:

Nancy Cohee (phone 760-219-3000 or send an

Email completed application and all materials to**:**

[nc@nancycohee.com](mailto:nc@nancycohee.com)

or

Mail completed application and all materials to:

Nancy Cohee Membership Committee Chair

45300 Portola #1514, Palm Desert, CA 92261

LDEI Mission   
  
To inspire, advance and support women in food, beverage and hospitality to achieve excellence in leadership and philanthropy.

Guiding Principles LDEI Guiding Principles are intended to uphold the integrity, professionalism, and outstanding leadership upon which LDEI was founded. LDEI is guided in its decisions and actions by:                                                                                                                                           
At Les Dames d’Escoffier ( LDEI) Palm Springs chapter, one of our guiding principles is valuing the differences among people and culture in our chapters, communities, and in the world at large. We believe that LDEI’s openness and diversity is a fundamental strength of our organization and that our mission is best fulfilled when we embrace diversity as a key valuable and practice.

It is important to note that we were founded on the very principle of gender equality LDEI founder Carol Brock saw that the inequities that women faced in the food and hospitality industry and made it her goal to make a difference by forming an organization of women leaders in food, beverage, and hospitality. By forming diversity equity and inclusion committees, we are honoring Carol's legacy and for moving forward with her vision. Opening our membership to all qualified women who are leaders by example, building a professional organization in which women of all races, languages, ethnicities, cultural background, physical disability, sexual orientation, and religion are welcome.

Philanthropy: We are committed to creating lasting change in our communities through focused philanthropy.

Diversity: We celebrate the value of differences among people and cultures throughout the world, in our communities and in our Chapters.

Leadership and Professional Development: We are committed to life-long learning, mentoring, career advancement and professional development for our members.

Professional Excellence: We subscribe to the highest standards of professional conduct, ethics and integrity. Innovation: We are committed to assuring continuing relevance and influence in an ever-changing environment through adaptation, innovation and openness and responsiveness to change.