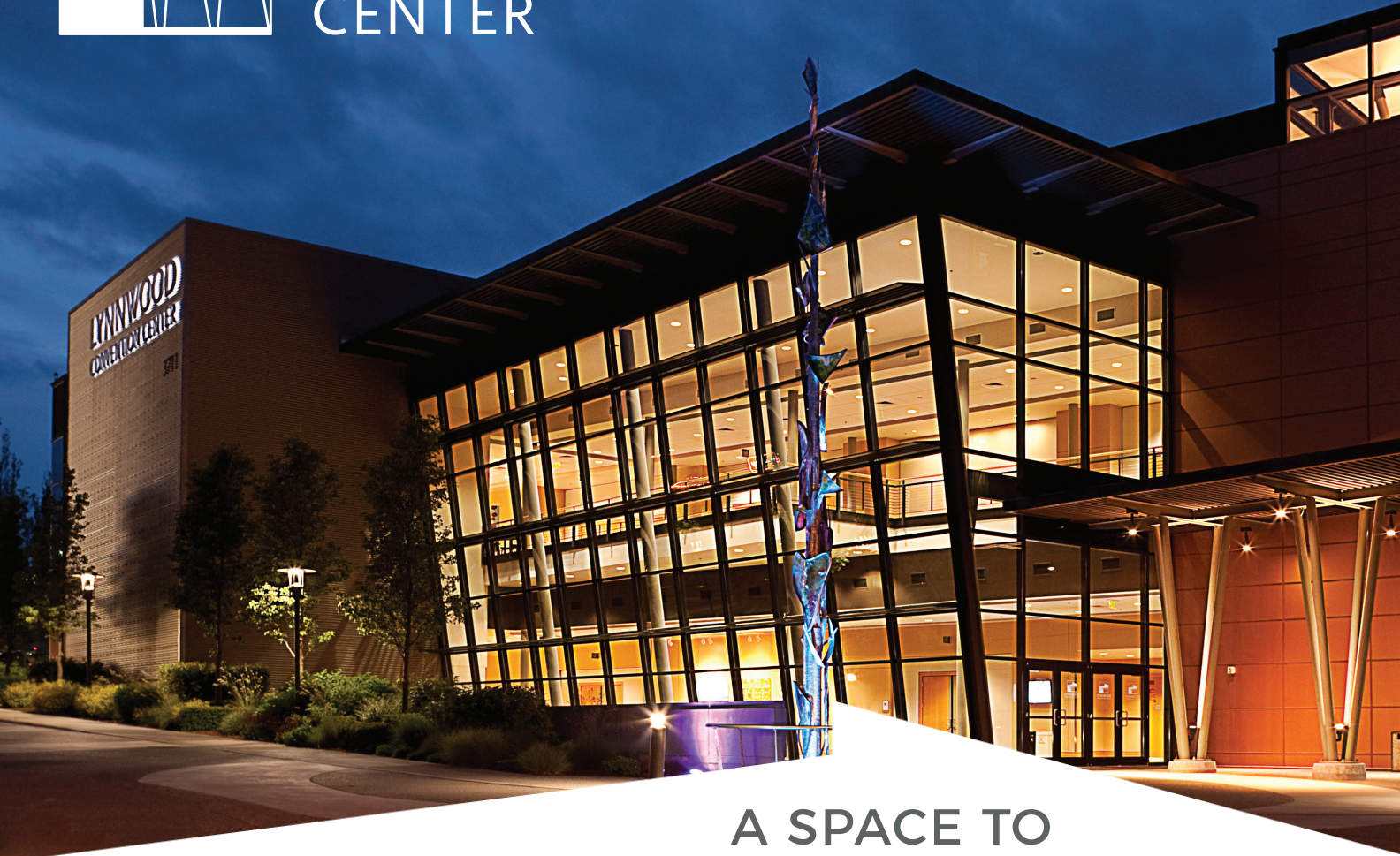


LYNNWOOD CONVENTION CENTER



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workplace safety

Over the last few months, the Lynnwood Convention Center team has gone through great lengths to implement many changes to ensure events are met with heightened sanitization and hygiene practices.

In October 2020, the Lynnwood Convention Center announced that it has achieved Global Biorisk Advisory Council® (GBAC) STAR™ accreditation, the gold standard for prepared facilities. Under the guidance of GBAC, a Division of ISSA, the worldwide cleaning industry association, the Lynnwood Convention Center, an ASM Global managed facility, has implemented the most stringent protocols for cleaning, disinfection and infectious disease prevention in its facility.

To achieve GBAC STAR™ accreditation, the Lynnwood Convention Center was required to demonstrate compliance with the program's 20 core elements, which range from standard operating procedures and risk assessment strategies to personal protective equipment and emergency preparedness and response measures. Learn more about GBAC STAR™ accreditation at www.gbac.org.

This accreditation further substantiates the Lynnwood Convention Center's commitment to the health and well-being of their employees, guests, and the visiting public. The Lynnwood Convention Center also abides by *VenueShield* protocols. *VenueShield* is ASM Global's internal environmental hygiene program incorporated in ASM Global's 325 venues worldwide.



For more information visit
www.lynnwoodcc.com/healthsafety



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art exhibits

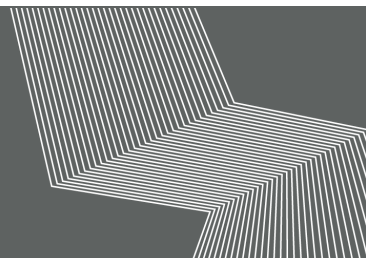
Every six months, Acorn Studios brings a new art show to the Convention Center. Local artists showcase works in mediums varying from painting, photography and mixed media, to contemporary quilting. The images on the left are from two exhibits currently on display through July 2022.

- 1 "Northwest Eden: Trees, Plants and Gardens of the Northwest"
No Apple by Trish Harding
- 2 "Northwest Enterprise: Working in the Northwest"
Kingston Ferry Dock by Jason Otto

Visit www.lynnwoodcc.com/art for more details.



food for thought



Lynnwood Convention Center Executive Chef Michael Felsenstein has been with the company since its inception in 2005. He is a main staple of the center, attracting groups ranging from small intimate gatherings to large scale conferences for hundreds of people.

While Chef Felsenstein is a seasoned culinary veteran, he still feels rewarded by a good challenge, such as keeping the cuisine elevated while having to do a complete menu and service standards overhaul in response to the COVID pandemic. Chef Felsenstein has worked diligently to ensure the quality and high standards of service remain even if an item is now served as a grab & go or is served by an attendant from behind a plexiglass screen rather than buffet-style. Bento boxes were recently introduced to the menu to assist in providing food safety within the new health guidelines, avoiding the more casual take-out box.

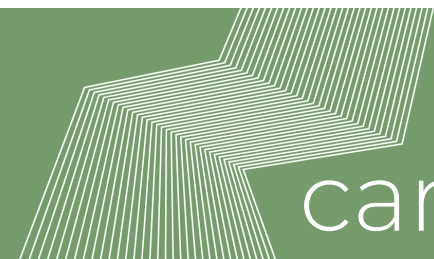
During Chef Felsenstein's professional career spanning over 30 years, he has worked at five-star hotels, including The Windsor Court Hotel in New Orleans and The Four Seasons Hotel in Chicago, and four-star restaurants in Seattle and New York.



"Michael is not only a great chef, but a great leader. His creativity is infectious, and he loves mentoring his staff to help them maintain and improve their skills in the culinary arts," said Director of Food & Beverage Robert Sackett. "His knowledge and passion for the culinary arts is the kind of passion we could all only strive for."

Visit www.lynnwoodcc.com/menus to see what Chef Felsenstein has been up to!

holiday card contest



Each year, the Lynnwood Convention Center looks for creative middle and high school students to help design the artwork for our holiday greeting card. The winning entry is used on the front of our holiday cards which are mailed to current and potential customers, guests and partners of the Lynnwood Convention Center, as well as elected officials.

The winner for 2020 was **Devon Yee**, age 13, from Brier Terrace Middle School.

Congratulations, Devon!



2020 Winner: Devon Yee





month of caring

To highlight work being done by local organizations, the Lynnwood Convention Center celebrated September 2020 as a Month of Caring.

During the Covid-19 pandemic, the Convention Center witnessed its nonprofit clients having to cancel annual auction and fundraising events. In a time when more community members needed charitable resources, these local organizations have been hit hard by reduced funding.

During the month of September, the Convention Center honored its partner and client organizations on its website and social media platforms. The event wrapped up with a multi-charity donation drive at the end of September. The Lynnwood Convention Center plans to celebrate a Month of Caring again this September.

future plans

The Lynnwood Public Facilities District (LPFD), which owns and oversees the Lynnwood Convention Center and the Convention Plaza property, has exciting news for the future. The LPFD mission is to serve the community as an economic catalyst, through the development of the property, that contributes to the region's vitality and cultural pride.

While this has been an extremely challenging year for the Convention Center and other tenants, the LPFD has utilized this time to begin planning for investments in the future and recovery from the Covid-19 pandemic. Recently the LPFD received a total of \$500,000 in federal and state grants to put toward this vision. The LPFD is continually pursuing new ways to serve the public, including hosting Holly House in their distribution to over 600 families with holiday gifts last fall, as well as GS Labs currently providing Covid-19 testing. Please continue to support the Convention Center and the wonderful businesses in Convention Plaza as the LPFD continues to recover from this unprecedented time.

Stay tuned for some exciting artwork to be added to the property, and for opportunities to provide input on what it can become, as Lynnwood anticipates growth and light rail coming to the community.



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