



### **MARINE ROOM WINS PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARD**

**La Jolla, Calif. - (May 17, 2006)** – The Marine Room was recognized by the readers of the *San Diego Union-Tribune* as the “People’s Choice” for Best Restaurant in San Diego signifying the best of the best for 2006. This is the seventh time in the last eight years that the Marine Room has been honored with this accolade. The award was presented at the 22<sup>nd</sup> annual Gold Medallion Award Dinner, Tuesday, May 16, 2006 at the Town & Country Hotel.

“We are all thrilled to receive this award,” said executive chef, Bernard Guillas. “It is truly an honor to know that the reader’s of the *San Diego Union-Tribune* regard the Marine Room as the People’s Choice for Best of the Best in San Diego.”

Gold Medallion award winners are voted on by the 400 members of the San Diego County Chapter of the California Restaurant Association (CRA). Members vote on creativity, dining and overall accomplishments. The People’s Choice Award category is the only award not determined by a vote of CRA members but rather by the readers of the *San Diego Union-Tribune*.

In 2005 the Marine Room was honored with the Gold Medallion for Best Sunday Brunch and executive chef, Bernard Guillas was awarded the 2001 Best Chef in San Diego Gold Medallion Award.

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Award-winning Chef Bernard Guillas joined La Jolla Beach & Tennis Club, Inc. in 1994, overseeing all menus, wine lists, and special events for the La Jolla Beach & Tennis Club, Shores Restaurant, and Marine Room. Guillas was voted “2004 Chef of the Year” by *Chef Magazine* and 2001’s “Best Chef in San Diego” by the San Diego California Restaurant Association. Guillas is active in supporting his local community, participating in SOS Taste of the Nation, Celebrities Cook for Cancer and Mama’s Kitchen. Guillas is a spokesperson for the Macy’s School of Cooking. Chef Bernard is currently working on launching a new restaurant menu concept at the Shores Restaurant, slated to be unveiled summer 2006.

The Marine Room offers diners global cuisine rooted in the French classics. Its spectacular views, exemplary service and outstanding wine list make it San Diego’s premier dining destination. The Marine Room is located at 2000 Spindrifft Drive in La Jolla, California and is owned and operated by the La Jolla Beach & Tennis Club, Inc. Reservations for the Marine Room are recommended, and can be made by calling (858) 459.7222, or online at [www.MarineRoom.com](http://www.MarineRoom.com).

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