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## Historic Wins by Outrigger Fiji Chefs Navneet Reddy and Vikash Chetty

*Pacific Rim Global Chefs Challenge Gold Medalists Now Prepare for Russia 2020 Finals!*



Navneet Reddy prepares a winning Dukkah spiced pork filet with sweet potato gratin, sauerkraut, pea puree, open-fire char veggies and fig apple relish complimenting pan reduced jus



Vikash Chetty creates a bittersweet chocolate fondant, Dilmah pure peppermint tea gateaux with chocolate centerpiece themed Pacific Indigenous People ... "The Call"

**FIJI ISLANDS** – [Outrigger Fiji Beach Resort](#) chefs struck Gold, winning medals in two major categories: Pacific Rim Global Chef of the Year went to **Navneet Reddy** and Pacific Rim Pastry Chef of the Year to **Vikash Chetty**.

This is a significant win for Fiji and will go down in the history books of the World Chefs Pacific Rim Regions as the two chefs who won the most prestigious awards against tough competitors Australia, New Zealand and other Pacific Nations.

These two culinary stars won the National Salon Culinare 2018 held in November (Fiji's National Culinary event run by Fiji Chefs Association annually), which qualified them to participate in the Pacific Rim Semi-finals held on June 23, 2019, in Melbourne, Australia.

Training, dedication and many sleepless nights got **Navneet Reddy** and **Vikash Chetty** to the win which now qualifies them to represent Fiji in the Global Chefs Challenge Finals in Russia 2020.

**Navneet Reddy** is the most awarded young chef in Fiji, currently holding the position of a sous chef at the Outrigger Fiji Beach Resort and leading a team of young chefs in the famous Sundowner Bar and Grill Restaurant.

**Vikash Chetty** is the most awarded pastry chef in Fiji and leads the pastry team at Outrigger Fiji Beach Resort where he trains many other young chefs in baking from scratch.

The key winning quality both chefs have is their love and passion for food and cooking with flair!

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