Tickets On Sale Now for DC Central Kitchen's Premier Chef Battle with Hosts Anthony Bourdain and Carla Hall

11th Annual Capital Food Fight Brings Together Local Chefs including **Frederik De Pue** (Menu and Table), **Tim Ma** (Maple Ave Restaurant and Water & Wall), **Marjorie Meek-Bradley** (Ripple and Roofers Union) and **Javier Romero** (Taberna Del Alabardero)

September 15, 2014 – Washington, D.C. – DC Central Kitchen, a leading nonprofit combining healthy food distribution, workforce development and social enterprise models to combat hunger and poverty, today announced tickets are on sale for its signature fundraising event, the 11th Annual Capital Food Fight.

A-list chefs, culinary celebrities, and guests will gather on November 11, 2014 at the Ronald Reagan Building to watch four local chefs compete in an Iron Chef-style battle and four teams of pastry chefs compete in the High Stakes Cakes competition. Presented by Walmart, the Capital Food Fight draws over 1,000 guests and offers culinary indulgences from more than 75 of DC's best restaurants. Stella Artois will return as the official beer sponsor for the 2014 event.

Hosted by Anthony Bourdain (CNN's "Parts Unknown") and Carla Hall (ABC's "The Chew"), the Capital Food Fight "Culinary Battle" will feature local chefs Frederik De Pue (Menu and Table), Tim Ma (Maple Ave Restaurant, Water & Wall), Marjorie Meek-Bradley (Ripple and Roofers Union) and Javier Romero (Taberna Del Alabardero) who will prepare dishes with a secret ingredient and compete head-to-head in a live on-stage battle. The battle will be judged by renowned culinary celebrities, Daniel Boulud (DANIEL), Ted Allen (Food Network's "Chopped"), David Guas (Travel Channel's "American Grilled"), and Christina Tosi (Momofuku Milk Bar).

Food Network's "Ace of Cakes" star, Duff Goldman, and Emmy-winning Senior Political Reporter for ABC7 News and News Channel 8, Scott Thuman, will host the Capital Food Fight's "High Stakes Cakes" competition, created and organized by Les Dames d'Escoffier International, Washington DC Chapter.

100% of the proceeds from Capital Food Fight benefit DC Central Kitchen to combat hunger and create opportunity in Washington, DC.

What: Capital Food Fight
When: November 11, 2014 – 6:00pm
Where: Ronald Reagan Building – 1300 Pennsylvania Ave NW, Washington, DC
Tickets: \$250, available online at <u>www.capitalfoodfight.org</u>

To learn more about DC Central Kitchen or The Capital Food Fight, follow us on Twitter @dcck, @dcckfoodfight, or visit <u>www.dccentralkitchen.org</u>.

About DC Central Kitchen

For 25 years, DC Central Kitchen has pioneered a new model of using food as a tool to change lives. We provide nutritious meals to our neighbors in need, equip unemployed men and women to begin culinary careers, and engineer successful social enterprises that advance our mission while creating good jobs for the people we serve. Through job training, healthy food distribution, and local small business partnerships, DC Central Kitchen offers path-breaking solutions to poverty, hunger, and poor health.

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