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A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S SUPPER FEATURES THREE CHEFS, TWO HOMES

Chefs Terry Koval, Hudson Rouse and Todd White Featured at AMA Supper Series IV Finale

[For Release May 23, 2019 – Albany, GA] — The fourth season of the Albany Museum of Art's popular Fine Art of Dining Culinary Series will conclude on Thursday, July 18, 2019 with *A Midsummer Night's Supper*. Three talented chefs will team up to prepare a culinary masterpiece at two Albany homes designed by architect Frank McCall.

Chefs Terry Koval and Hudson Rouse, both of Atlanta, and Todd White, of Albany, will be featured at the season finale. The dinner will be held at the homes of Alex and Staci Willson, and Dr. Joseph and Annabelle Stubbs.

"I think this is really cool, having these three guys who are both friends and chefs," Kirk Rouse, chairman of the AMA's Supper Series Committee, said. "They have worked together at other events at other arenas in the Atlanta area. It's exciting to have two hometown guys, and then Terry, who's made such an impact on fantastic, unusual food in the Atlanta area, cooking with them."

Koval has enjoyed stints in some of Atlanta's most recognized kitchens, including Canoe, Buckhead Diner, Lobby at TWELVE, Room at TWELVE and Farm Burger. He embraced local, seasonal ingredients accented by house-brewed craft beer as the executive chef at Wrecking Bar Brewpub. He and his wife, Jenn, are set to open their new Atlanta restaurant the Deer and the Dove near Decatur Square this summer.

Rouse, owner of Rising Son and Kirk's son, was raised in Albany in a family of chefs sharing a passion for food. In 2016, he and his wife, Kathryn Fitzgerald Rouse, also a powerhouse in the culinary field, opened their breakfast and lunch restaurant in Avondale Estates in 2016.

White, who is starting a new food business venture after serving several years as chair of the Culinary Arts Program at Albany Technical College, was a senior chef for 15 years for Marriott. White taught culinary arts at Albany Tech from 2011 until this year. He was recognized by the Georgia Department of Agriculture as a Georgia Grown Executive Chef in 2018.

“For these guys to get out of their kitchens and cook together is going to be really special,” Kirk Rouse said. “I think chefs enjoy the company of each, especially because they share a passion for great food.

All three guys also have a passion for homegrown food. Having them in the kitchen together is going to be a lot of fun for everybody, particularly the lucky folks who get to enjoy what they create.”

In fact, a bit of friendly competition likely will break out in the kitchen.

“They’ll all try to outdo each other creating the best dish,” Rouse said. “I’m sure it’ll be a tossup between the three of them.”

The venue is as much a part of the experience of the AMA Supper Series as the food. The finale dinner doubles that by featuring two beautiful homes.

McCall was a noted architect who practiced in the classical tradition and briefly lived in Albany before establishing offices in Moultrie and Macon. He was known for his unerring sense of proportion scale and detailing and enjoyed a large following from the Sea Island colony.

Built in 1980, the Willson home was custom designed by McCall (1916-91) and built by Lamar Reese for Dr. and Mrs. Tom Myers. It features heart pine and brick floors, three fireplaces and a library. The Stubbs home, custom designed by McCall, was built in 1966 for Albany pediatrician Dr. Prentiss Findlay III and his wife, Elaine.

While the dinner is moving from its traditional Saturday to a Thursday evening for this special event, it will start with a cocktail hour at the usual time of 6:30 pm.

Tickets for *A Midsummer Night’s Supper* are \$200 each (\$175 for AMA members). Seating is limited. Visit albanymuseum.com/supper-series or call 229.439.8400. Follow @AlbanyArtMuseum on Twitter and AlbanyMuseum on Instagram.

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- *Undercurrents*, works by Jerushia Graham, is in the East Gallery through June 15, 2019;
- *Ghost Yonder Moonscape*, works by Zipporah Camille Thompson, is in the West Gallery through June 15, 2019;
- *A Life Well Lived*, works by Alex Mixon, is in the Hodges Regional Gallery.

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The Albany Museum of Art, located in Albany, Georgia, adjacent to Albany State University West Campus just off Gillionville Road is accredited by the American Alliance of Museums. The Albany Museum of Art is open 10 am through 5 pm Tuesdays through Fridays and noon until 5 pm on Saturdays. Admission is free.

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PHOTOS: Attached photos are each courtesy of the respective chef.

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