



VINCE COLOSIMO AND RODGER CORSER TO HOST 2009 SEAFOOD EXCELLENCE AWARDS

Australian actors **Vince Colosimo** (*Body of Lies, Underbelly, Carla Cametti PD, Lantana, Walking on Water, Wog Boy*) and **Rodger Corser** (*RUSH, Underbelly, Last Man Standing, RENT*) will be in Sydney next weekend for the prestigious Sydney Fish Market Seafood Excellence Awards. On Saturday 14th March, 2009, Star City Grand Ballroom will play host to this much anticipated event with special guests and celebrity entertainers, back after 4 years with the best of the seafood industry attending.

The evening's entertainment will be headlined by the dynamic **Deni Hines**, who through hit singles and albums, lead roles in musicals & television has established herself as one of Australia's foremost entertainers. Additional entertainment on the night will include Fiona Treloar & Dylan Peters performing a tribute to Suzie Diamond & The Fabulous Baker Boys and The Alexander Project featuring Christo & Melinda Jackson.

Sydney Fish Market is also delighted to be working with 2008 Good Food Guide Chef of the Year **Sean Connolly** of Astral Restaurant to create a scrumptious culinary experience for the night. Sean was GQ Chef of the Year 2008; 'Chef of the Year' at the 2006 and 2007 Australian Hotels Association Awards for Excellence and under Sean's guidance Astral Restaurant has received a chef's hat at both the 2007 and 2008 Good Food Guide Awards.

Guests will be treated to a never seen before, de-constructed Prawn cocktail as a feature entree along with Sashimi of Ocean Trout, Hiramasa Kingfish, Yellowfin Tuna, fresh wasabi leaves and soy & mirin jelly.

With fourteen award categories recognising top performers in Australia's world class seafood industry, no aspect of the state's vibrant seafood trade will go unnoticed, with awards ranging from industry judged awards including Environmental Excellence, Seafood Business Awards and Best Seafood Restaurant, to the People's Choice Awards for Best Fish and Chips (Sydney and regional).

The Seafood Excellence Awards will be open to the general public to acknowledge their loyalty to Australia's seafood industry. For further information and tickets go to the Seafood Excellence Awards website www.seafoodexcellenceawards.com.au. Tickets on sale now until March 8th.

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