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**ARROWS RESTAURANT CHEFS AWARDED  
"2007 RESTAURATEURS OF THE YEAR" BY MAINE RESTAURANT ASSOCIATION**

**Augusta, ME** – Clark Frasier and Mark Gaier, Chef/Owners of Ogunquit, Maine's nationally renowned Arrows Restaurant, have been presented with the prestigious "2007 Restaurateurs of the Year" award by the Maine Restaurant Association (MeRA). The award was presented to the acclaimed chefs during MeRA's recently held annual awards ceremony in Portland, ME.

"Since its founding back in 1988, Arrows has meant incomparable, flavor-filled dining experiences to countless residents of Maine and visitors to our state," said Dick Grotton, President and CEO of Augusta-based MeRA. "Everyone involved with MeRA is delighted to have as members of our organization Maine restaurants that are as highly regarded as Arrows."

Grotton added that Chef Frasier and Chef Gaier are widely viewed as among the nation's best not only due to the truly innovative dishes they create, but because they give a whole new meaning to the Farm-to-Table movement, so prevalent in Maine. As much as 90 percent of the menu items at Arrows are produced in the restaurant's own garden, to the delight of their enthusiastic base of patrons.

In addition to its award-winning wine list, Arrows has compiled an impressive list of culinary accolades. The restaurant recently was ranked 14<sup>th</sup> on *Gourmet's* list of the "50 Best Restaurants in America," and also has been named by *Bon Appetit* to its list of the top ten "Most Romantic Restaurants in America." Additionally, both chefs have been nominated three times in a row by the prestigious James Beard Foundation as "Best Chefs in the Northeast".

Chefs Frasier and Gaier launched in 2005 their second restaurant, "MC Perkins Cove," also located in Ogunquit. A third restaurant also is in the works, slated to open soon at a Marriott facility in Burlington, MA.

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