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Press Release

YOUNG CRC CHEFS COMPETE IN UNIVERSITY CULINARY CHALLENGE

CRC student chefs Tom Osbourne and Carla Mendez pulled out all the stops yesterday to create stunning main course dishes for this year's University of Cambridge Culinary Competition.

The two 17-year-olds, competing in the Under 21s category against chefs employed by the colleges, produced beautifully presented lamb dishes - served cold and judged on appearance - for the competition.

More than 80 chefs from 15 colleges competed in the day-long event, held at Cambridge Regional College, with categories ranging from canapés to afternoon tea cakes. One of the highlights was a live cook-off competition in the College's catering kitchens, along with front of house competitions.



Judging gets underway at CRC



Tom and Carla practising for the competition

The event was also open to the public, who were able to watch the live cook-off on screens in the Park restaurant.

Nick Lomax, one of the organisers of the event, said it had been a great success with 20 exhibitors also attending the event. "CRC ensured every detail was delivered seamlessly and The Park venue looked fantastic," he said.

The results of the competition will be announced at an awards ceremony at Selwyn College on Thursday, November 10.

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MEDIA ENQUIRIES

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NOTES TO EDITORS

Cambridge Regional College is one of the largest providers of full-time further education for 16 to 19 year-olds in the eastern region. The College has more than 4,000 full-time and 6,000 part-time students, coming from a 40-mile radius, covering Cambridge and its surrounding villages, eastern Bedfordshire, northern Essex and western Suffolk. Over 80 per cent of full-time students are aged 16 to 18 years old and come to the College after secondary school; the rest are mature students, studying on a range of Access to Higher Education and vocational programmes. The College offers the largest and most comprehensive range of vocational courses in Cambridgeshire, and has one of the largest work-based learning contracts in the Eastern Region.