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Culinary Competition Scholarship Deadline is February 3 ***Past winners of The Art Institutes Best Teen Chef Competition Tell Their Stories***

(Pittsburgh, PA January 13, 2012) – The deadline for registering to enter The Art Institutes Best Teen Chef Competition for high school seniors or The Art Institutes Culinary Scholarship Competition for high school graduates is just a few weeks away on February 3, 2012. For inspiration, prospective competitors can see what past winners have to say about their experiences during and after the competition at http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0DtCirV2x5c&feature=plcp&context=C36d8e64UDOEgsToPDskJ53ckIm6boYMJaf3_iyhHg. The video features Jonathan Miller (Atlanta)*, Oscar Melendez (Los Angeles)*, Kristen Young (Phoenix)* and Brent Lewis (Denver)*.

The two culinary competitions offer budding chefs the opportunity to match their skills against others who share their passion – and to earn a tuition scholarship to one of The International Culinary Schools at The Art Institutes.

Each participating Art Institutes school will name one first place winner in each category. A second place winner will also be named in the Best Teen Chef category at each participating Art Institutes school.

The winners will earn tuition scholarships – \$4,000 for the Best Teen Chef winner and \$1,000 for the second place winner in the high school senior category, and \$1,500 for the first place winner of the high school graduate category.

To be eligible to enter the competition, entrants must submit an Entry & Release Form by February 3, 2012, to The Art Institutes location of their choice. Deadline for completed entries into the competition is February 24, 2012. Selected entrants will progress to Local Cook-Off Competitions at The International Culinary Schools at The Art Institutes on April 21, 2012.

As the 2008 Best Teen Chef Competition winner Jonathan Miller says, “There’s really nothing to lose. At the end of the day there’s only the chance to better yourself.”

To learn how to enter The Art Institutes Best Teen Chef Competition for high school seniors and The Art Institutes Culinary Scholarship Competition for high school graduates and to view the competition rules, visit www.artinstitutes.edu/culinary or <http://www.multivu.com/players/English/51391-art-institutes-best-teen-chef-and-culinary-competition>.

* The video features Jonathan Miller (Best Teen Chef 2008, Bachelor of Science, Culinary Arts Management, 2011, The Art Institute of Atlanta), Oscar Melendez (3rd Place, The Art Institutes Best Teen Chef Competition 2009, Associate of Science, Culinary Arts, 2011, The Art Institute of California – Los Angeles), Kristen Young (Best Teen Chef 2010, Associate of Science, Culinary Arts, Class of 2012, The Art Institute of Phoenix) and Brent Lewis (Best Teen Chef 2000, Executive Chef, Wild Basin Lodge, Colorado, Associate of Science, Culinary Arts, 2000, The Art Institute of Colorado).

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[You can enter the Best Teen Chef Competition or Culinary Scholarship Competition at one of 38 Art Institutes schools offering a culinary program.](#)

The Art Institutes (www.artinstitutes.edu) is a system of more than 45 educational institutions located throughout North America. The Art Institutes schools provide an important source for design, media arts, fashion and culinary arts professionals. Several institutions included in The Art Institutes system are campuses of South University. See [aiprograms.info](#) for program duration, tuition, fees, and other costs, median debt, federal salary data, alumni success, and other important information.

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