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**THE LOBBY AT THE PENINSULA CHICAGO
ANNOUNCES NEW CHEF DE CUISINE,
LEE WOLEN**

The Lobby at The Peninsula Chicago announces the arrival of the new Chef de Cuisine, Lee Wolen. Chef Lee's new menus for The Lobby, along with a myriad of enhancements primarily for dinner, will be revealed this September.

Chef Lee comes to The Peninsula Chicago from Eleven Madison Park in New York, a three-Michelin-star restaurant, where he held the position of Sous Chef for three years. While Chef Lee was at Eleven Madison Park, the restaurant achieved *The New York Times*' coveted Four Stars, earned its Michelin stars and a Top Ten ranking in San Pellegrino's World's 50 Best Restaurants.

Currently, Chef Lee and The Peninsula Chicago's award-winning culinary team are developing enticing new dining concepts for the restaurant, including updated evening table settings, floral arrangements, lighting and, of course, menus that will feature Chef Lee's passion for food and flavor.

"We welcome Chef Lee to The Lobby with excitement and anticipation of his unique style and flavorful cuisine that our guests, Chicagoans and visitors alike will soon experience. The Peninsula Chicago and the city have developed a strong culinary status and we believe Chef Lee's arrival will only further enhance this reputation," notes The Peninsula Chicago's General Manager and Regional Vice President, Maria Razumich-Zec.

Chef Lee Wolen, age 30, was born and raised in Cleveland, Ohio. He attended a vocational culinary school during high school and quickly decided this would be his career. He worked as Sous Chef in Chicago at Moto and at Butter in 2005 and spent time at Le Manoir aux Quat'Saisons and the famed El Bulli. It has been his dream to return to the city.

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Reservations are recommended and may be made by calling (1-312) 573 6695 or by e-mail to diningpch@peninsula.com. Live music is offered daily to delight guests during their dining experiences. The Lobby has no dress code. The Lobby is located on the main Lobby Level (fifth floor) of The Peninsula Chicago at 108 East Superior Street.

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