



Joe Queen, Executive Chef Hilton Glasgow, Past President of Federation Chefs Scotland

Joe Queen is one of Scotland's greatest food ambassadors. He is the former President of the Federation of Chefs Scotland and is currently the Executive Chef at The Hilton Hotel in Glasgow. He originally trained at Turnberry, was also Executive Chef at

Craigendarroch on Royal Deeside and spent many years working with Macdonald Hotels, he has also travelled and worked in the US, including a spell at the Disney Epcot Centre

Having returned to Scotland and worked for himself for a few years, he then became the chef director of the Ivy House Hotel in Ayr. A string of accolades followed on for the hotel, including a Thistle Award in 2002. At the beginning of 2003 he returned to Macdonald Hotels as a management chef where he was instrumental in the opening of new hotels, establishing their kitchens and AA rosette winning restaurants. He then moved to a new position in Glasgow's Thistle Hotel before taking up his current role as Executive Chef at one of Glasgow's busiest 5 star hotels, the Hilton Hotel.

Joe's expertise has him in great demand, he judges for the World Association of Chefs Societies, and more recently was on the culinary committee for the Scottish Culinary Championships at ScotHot . He works tirelessly with young chefs in the industry and is a great ambassador for competitions such as the Springboard Future Chef.

Joe's work with young people in the industry means that he has been the recipient of many awards. In 2009 Joe was the recipient of Springboard UK's esteemed Chris Beaumont Award and in March 2011 his contribution to the industry was recognised when he received the HIT Scotland Life time achievement award.