

# SCHEDULE



RETAIL CONFECTIONERS INTERNATIONAL

## FALL REGIONAL CONFERENCE

August 25-27, 2014

### MONDAY, AUGUST 25, 2014 - ARRIVAL, MEETINGS & OPTIONAL TOUR DAY

**9:00 am-1:00 pm Optional Tour Experience** - Tour the Neon Sign Museum and then visit the Shelby Heritage Center which showcases some of the most famous cars ever produced. Snacks provided on tour. Advance registration required. - *Meet at Tour Bus Lobby at 8:45 am.* (Located one level below the main entrance by way of elevator or escalator.) Name badges will be distributed on the bus.

**Lunch on Own**

**Committee Meetings**

**2:00-5:00 pm Registration Desk Open** - *Registration 4*

**2:00-3:00 pm Executive Board Meeting** - *Donatello 1 & 2*

**3:00-5:00 pm Board of Directors Meeting** - *Donatello 1 & 2*

**5:00-6:30 pm Welcome Reception & Suppliers' Tell-n-Sell** - Network with fellow attendees and meet industry suppliers while enjoying hors' d'oeuvres and hosted bar. - *Da Vinci 1*

**Dinner on Own**

**8:15 pm Next Generation Event** - RCI members in their twenties and thirties will enjoy a mixer designed to help you get to know the next generation of industry leaders. - *Meet at the North Entrance.*

### TUESDAY, AUGUST 26, 2014 - EDUCATION DAY

**8:00-9:00 am Welcome Breakfast** - *Da Vinci 1*

**8:00 am-3:00 pm Registration Desk Open** - *Registration 4*

**9:00-10:00 am Chef Demonstration** - Nougat Preparation by Chef En-Ming Hsu, En-Ming Hsu, LLC - *Tuscany Kitchen & Donatello 1*

**10:15-11:00 am Chef Demonstration** - Preparing Pâte de Fruit by Chef Sylvain Bortolini, Bellagio - *Tuscany Kitchen & Donatello 1*

**11:00 am-1:00 pm Candy Clinic Set-up** - *Da Vinci 1*

**Lunch on Own**

**1:30-2:10 pm Chef Demonstration** - Pulling Hard Sugar Candies by Chef Jerome Jacob, Bellagio - *Tuscany Kitchen & Donatello 1*

**2:20-2:50 pm Chef Demonstration** - Making Flavored Handmade Marshmallow by Chef Simon Bregardis, Bellagio - *Tuscany Kitchen & Donatello 1*

**3:00 pm Chocolate Fountain Presentation** - Emmanuel Cornet, Director of Food and Beverage, will share the inspiration behind Bellagio's famed chocolate fountain.

**3:30-5:00 pm Candy Clinic Followed by Kettle Talk** - *Da Vinci 1*

**5:30-7:00 pm Sweet Meet at the RCI Hospitality Suite** - Hosted by RCI Board President Virginia Whetstone Maguire and husband, Bruce Maguire, enjoy light refreshments and network with fellow attendees at the RCI Sweet Meet. - *Spa Tower Room TBA*

**Dinner on Own**

### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 27, 2014 - TOUR DAY

**7:30-8:30 am Breakfast** - *Da Vinci 1*

**7:30-8:30 am Registration Desk Open** - *Registration 4*

**8:30 am Buses Leave for Off-site Tour Day** - *Meet at Tour Bus Lobby* (Located one level below the main entrance by way of elevator or escalator.)

#### HOOVER DAM

Named one of the Top 10 Construction Achievements of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century, Hoover Dam is the highest concrete dam in the Western Hemisphere, standing at more than 725 feet above the Colorado River. With 17 generators producing 4 billion kilowatts of electricity a year, it's one of the country's largest hydroelectric power facilities. Attendees will enjoy a guided tour and admission to the Visitor Center and Powerplant.

**Lunch Provided on tour at The M Resort**

#### THE M RESORT CHEF DEMONSTRATION

After enjoying lunch at Studio B, voted the "Best Buffet in Las Vegas," one of the talented chefs of The M Resort will provide an interactive, live kitchen demonstration.

#### CHOCOLATE & SPICE BAKERY

Serving under numerous notable chefs in her career, Megan Romano opened Chocolate & Spice Bakery in 2012. Her vision of a classic artisan bakery, the menu features fresh baked pastries, handmade bon bons, ice cream and more.

#### JEAN-MARIE AUBOINE CHOCOLATIER

After working more than 20 years in the hospitality industry, Jean-Marie and business partner Melissa Coppel started Jean-Marie Auboine Chocolatier, a business dedicated to producing wholesale confections, in January 2011. They provide chocolates to hotels, casinos and resorts around the country.

**5:00 pm\* Buses Return to Hotel**

**Dinner on Own**

**7:30 pm Optional Tour Experience: "O" by Cirque de Soleil** - Inspired by the concept of infinity and the elegance of water's pure form, *Cirque du Soleil* weaves an aquatic tapestry of artistry, surrealism and theatrical romance in this timeless production. *Advance registration required.* Tickets may be picked up at the RCI registration desk on Monday or Tuesday.

*\*Note: All travel times are approximate and dependent on local traffic, construction and other factors that are beyond the control of RCI.*

# HOTEL MAP



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Room names on the event schedule are marked with a star on the map below.  
 Refer to the schedule for specific times and locations.



## Map Legend

- Ballrooms and Convention Area
- Bellagio Gallery of Fine Art
- Casino and Sports Book  
(Must be 21 years of age to enter these areas.)
- Dining, Bars & Lounges
- Public Thoroughfare
- Shops & Boutiques
- Spa, Salon, Fitness Center, Wedding Chapels and Terrazza Di Sogno
- Conservatory, Arcade, "O" Theatre and Ticket Sales