Executive Chef

Creative Catering is based at the Awapuni Function Centre in Palmerston North. This multipurpose venue caters for race days, greyhound racing, corporate dinners, meetings, functions, and weddings.

We also cater offsite to destination venues in the greater Manawatu region.

We are looking to appoint a duly qualified and experienced Executive Chef to lead our kitchen team, by sustaining the operational infrastructure and standards in place and to add their own creative signature.

First and foremost, candidates need to have exemplary cooking skills across all catering disciplines including:

- Buffets catering to 1000pax of various locations on our premier race days
- Corporate dinners and weddings with buffet or plated menus for 500pax
- Ability to work away from our main kitchen when catering to offsite marquee weddings or events at other destination venues.
- Regular conference events with morning tea, lunch, afternoon tea and cocktail components
- Extensive Knowledge of the Food Act 2014 and the Food control plan

Primary responsibilities include but are not limited to:

- Developing and retaining resourceful kitchen team
- Scheduling and supervision
- Cost Management
- Stock control
- Budget development/management
- Purchasing
- Menu creation
- Health and Safety

This position is very hands on, and the right person will:

- Well-seasoned and diverse palate
- Have strong leadership skills
- Be a team player
- Be able to work in high pressure and fast changing situations
- Be self-driven
- Enjoy challenges
- Be motivated in both a team and service environment
- Flexibility in availability

If this sounds like your next challenge and you can say yes to the below then we need to hear from you!

- Do you have 5 years' experience in an Executive or Head Chef role?
- Do you hold a full manual driver's license
- Are you passionate about what you do?
- Available to work nights, weekends and public holidays

Please forward your CV and Cover letter attn Lewis Jones to lewis@creativecatering.co.nz