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Charlottesville-Albemarle SPCA
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Amateur chefs wanted for bragging rights to be called Top Charlottesville Chef!

Charlottesville, Virginia: The Charlottesville-Albemarle SPCA and Siips Wine and Champagne Bar are looking for amateur chefs for a cook-off event to benefit the homeless animals in our community. On the 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th Wednesday's in October from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm, Siips Wine and Champagne Bar will host the SPCA/Siips Charlottesville Cook-off. Amateur chefs will prepare dishes for tasting by Charlottesville foodies. Winners will be chosen by vote of a celebrity panel of judges and by the attendees. The preliminary rounds will be held on Wednesday, October 8, 15, and 22nd with the final cook-off being on Wednesday, October 29. "This is a great opportunity for local amateur chefs to highlight their talents, local foodies to sample some great dishes and for everyone to help the animals of Charlottesville," says Susanne Kogut, Executive Director. An application process will choose participating chefs, those interested can visit www.caszca.org to download an application or visit Siips or the SPCA's Berkmar facility and pick one up. Deadline for applications will be Friday, September 19. Ticket prices for attendees will be \$20 per event or \$60 for all four events and includes a tasting menu and a sample of wine.

The Charlottesville-Albemarle SPCA is a nonprofit animal welfare organization that provides a safe environment for the lost, abandoned, and homeless animals of Charlottesville and Albemarle County, and places them in good homes. We strive to set a standard of excellence and leadership in animal care, humane education, and progressive animal welfare programs.

For further information, please contact Makena Yarbrough, Associate Director at 434-964-3314. For more information about the Charlottesville-Albemarle SPCA and ways you can support our life-saving programs, we encourage the community to contact Natasha Soderberg, Annual Giving Manager, at 434-964-3320 or visit our website at www.caszca.org. Donations can also be made online at <http://www.caszca.org/Donations.asp> or mailed to Charlottesville-Albemarle SPCA, 3355 Berkmar Drive, Charlottesville VA 22901.

Come meet someone who loves you at the Charlottesville-Albemarle SPCA.

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