Chef-Restaurateur Richard Sandoval and Chef Jonatán Gómez Luna Torres Unveil Yucatán Inspired Restaurant, "tán," in New York City

tán marks the seventh opening in 2022 alone for Richard Sandoval Hospitality, which now has 60+ locations worldwide, and the second restaurant venture with Dominican media mogul Antonio Espaillat



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New York (December, 6 2022) – Chef-Restaurateur Richard Sandoval and Chef Jonatán Gómez Luna Torres – of Le Chique, no. 17 on Latin America's 50 Best Restaurants 2022 – have proudly unveiled their newest joint culinary venture: <u>tán</u>, a coastal Tulum-ese restaurant in Manhattan's Midtown East located in 209 East 49th Street.

Imbued by the vibrant energies of Tulum and the Yucatán peninsula, tán, designed by award-winning PeterMax Co., boasts muted earthly materials commonly found in the Yucatán region dressed with elaborate henequen fiber wall hangings, woven sisal sun screens and a bespoke seafood display. Its lounge, lúm, which is set to open in late December, is tucked away with coved, cave-like ceilings, and warm candlelight, effectively bringing the soul of Tulum stateside.

tán's hyper modernist, seafood-focused menu by Chef Jonatán Gómez Luna Torres will feature coastal Mexican fare with rebellious and bold flavors that were inspired by his travels and heritage. **Aguachile tán** (a crispy potato-chorizo taco with shrimp and aguachile verde), **Red Snapper Tikinxic Style**, and a traditional **Yucatán Pork Belly** are just a few of the delicacies that will adorn the menu. Key ingredients will be sourced straight from Mexico for a truly authentic culinary immersion. Iúm will boast a worldly beverage program focused on agave-centric cocktails that erase the usual borders between a kitchen and bar. Signature sips like the **Mayan Manhattan** and a **La Brisas del Océano** will feature ingredients that were first prepped by the chefs in the kitchen – like tortilla ash and oyster-stuffed olives – before making their way down to the bar.

"Opening a restaurant alongside Richard Sandoval, especially one rooted in our joint heritage, has been a longtime goal of mine," said Chef Gómez Luna. "tán and lúm will offer an avant-garde culinary experience for guests – daring and fun, with bold flavors, but still keeping with the fine traditions of Mexican cuisine that we all know and love."

Known for unifying the magic of Mexican cuisine with contemporary flavors, Chef Gómez Luna is among some of the best chefs in the world. His restaurants routinely make *The World's 50 Best* Latin America's 50 Best Restaurants list, *Travel + Leisure's* "Best of The Best" and "Best Tasting Menu" awards, and more. He will be bringing his signature style – coveted by gastro enthusiasts worldwide – to tán for an unparalleled dining experience.

tán is the seventh opening to come from world-renowned Chef Sandoval and his hospitality brand Richard Sandoval Hospitality this year alone. Earlier this month, Chef Sandoval reinvented Bahía, a coastal Latin grill at the Four Seasons Resort Punta Mita in Punta Mita, Mexico and developed Copal Cocina, a Mexican wood fire kitchen, at Naviva, a Four Seasons Resort in Punta Mita. Sandoval opened the New York outpost of Jalao, the legendary Santo Domingo-based restaurant boasting authentic elevated Dominican cuisine, with media mogul Antonio Espaillat in the Radio Hotel in Washington Heights, New York in August, as well as Stoke & Rye, a modern American grill in Beaver Creek, Colorado in June. Internationally, Chef Sandoval set taste buds ablaze opening his first beach club and restaurant, Toro Del Mar in Athens, Greece and his Pan-Latin steakhouse restaurant, Toro Toro, in Marrakech, Morocco this summer – and both openings served as Chef's first foray into Greece and Africa.

Sandoval has played a crucial role in elevating Pan-Latin cuisine in the U.S. He is credited with introducing Latin cuisine to the UAE, Qatar, and Serbia. Today, Richard Sandoval Hospitality has over 25 brands spanning 60+ locations, 11 countries, and 4 continents – more than most any other U.S. celebrity chef.

"When I first opened Maya in New York City 25 years ago, I didn't think I would have 60+ locations one day, but my passion for introducing Latin cuisine to the world continuously inspires me to bring new things to different markets and regions each year," said Chef Sandoval. "tán, like my other locations, was conceptualized with Richard Sandoval Hospitality's 'old ways, new hands' approach, marrying traditional Latin flavors with innovative cooking techniques from Chef Gómez Luna and I."

tán is slated to open on December 8th at 209 East 49th Street, New York and seats 139 guests. The restaurant will open from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday through Thursday, and 5 p.m. to 11 p.m. on Friday and Saturday. To make reservations or for more information, visit www.tannewyork.com or call 917-388-2248.

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About Richard Sandoval Hospitality:

Richard Sandoval Hospitality is a leading restaurant group founded by Mexican-born chef, restaurateur, television personality and philanthropist Richard Sandoval. Known for offering guests an unparalleled culinary experience, this internationally recognized contemporary Latin restaurant group successfully owns and operates over 60 locations around the globe. US locations span 10 states and the District of Columbia – as well as internationally in 10 countries including Canada, Costa Rica, Greece, Mexico, Morocco, Qatar, Serbia, St Kitts, Turkey, and the UAE. For a complete list of restaurants and more information, please visit www.richardsandoval.com.

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