



# The INTERNATIONAL CHOCOLATE SALON

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## FINAL RESULTS: TOP CHOCOLATE BAR AWARD COMPETITION 2015

### 2015 JUDGES PANEL

Bernard Pacyniak  
Candy Industry  
Magazine

Kristan Lawson  
Huffington Post

James Norton  
Heavy Table

Carole Bloom  
Cookbook Author

Anneli Rufus  
Oakland Magazine

Jennifer Lunz  
Chicago Splash Magazine

Gayle Keck  
Been There Ate That

katreece montgomery  
the chocolate addict

Lynn Wong  
Viva Cocolat

Alan Miller  
Best Western

Jack Epstein  
Chocolate Covered

Jay Friedman  
Gastrolust

Cindy Wong -Chen  
China Live

### SELECTED JUDGES' COMMENTS OR FAVORITES

*Alter Eco Dark Salted Burnt Caramel*

*Favorite brand Alter Eco, loved all of them, great*

*My personal favorites*

Organic Bar

packaging. Also, the Dear Coco Toffee Bars, loved the flavor combos, texture and look of the bars.

included: Gem Chocolates' Lost & Found; Beijo du Chocolat PB&C; Mink Chocolates' Taj Masala; and Alter Eco Dark Quinoa.

It was a cross between the Alter Eco bars and the Wild Sweets caramel bars.

My personal favorite was the Alter Eco dark salted burnt chocolate bar.

Chubby Chipmunk

Spagnvola 80%

Beijo de Chocolat P B & C Bar

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Divine Swine

Delysia Gianduja speaks to lifestye so many products choc are not are appealing to. . The new Nuttiness milk bar has better balanced taste and shape. The new packaging has transferred this always good tasting bar into a more sophisticated arena.

I really enjoyed the ginger fennel caramel by Luxx Chocolate. All the proportions were just right, and I loved the way it melted on my tongue with a little bit of spice and a little bit of savory, but not overdone. ChocXO - great chocolate. I love how different each of your bars are. Comparing them really makes me appreciate how different and lovely different beans can be.

SPAGnVOLA, followed by Shattell.

Beijo de Chocolat continues to amaze me every year with its lustrous, luscious, perfectly textured new creations

Mink's Taj Masala bar was a very nice combination and perfect blend of flavors. Kudos! Beijo de Chocolat's PB&C Bar was a surprise favorite of mine. Not usually a milk chocolate fan, this bar had the perfect blend of nuts, nougat, caramel, crispies and chocolate. An enjoyable mouthful with each bite.

I found the Nuttyness Milk Chocolate Pure Almond Marzipan Bar to possess a preposterously creamy texture and rich flavor - it was legitimately delightful

Luxx - do more! Your caramels were delicious. I would love to see what you next. You are nailing the creamy texture of the caramel with just the right amount of bite in the chocolate so that the caramel spills out in just the right spots.



FIRST PLACE GOLD



SECOND PLACE SILVER



THIRD PLACE BRONZE

Best Dark Chocolate Bar

- SPAGnVOLA Chocolatier Single Estate Chocolate Bar

- ChocXO Guantupi 75% Ecuador

- Alter Eco Dark Blackout Organic Bar
- ChocXO Fortuna Especial No. 4 80% Peru
- Chubby Chipmunk Hand-Dipped Chocolates Fortunato #4 Bar
- Shatell Organic Dark 70% Cacao

			Criollo - Peru
<b>Best Milk Chocolate Bar</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mink Chocolates Taj Masala</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Wild Sweets by Dominique &amp; Cindy Duby Dominican Republic 'La Red' 53% Milk Salted Butter Caramel</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Wild Sweets by Dominique &amp; Cindy Duby Dominican Republic 'La Red' 42% Milk Salted Butter Caramel</li> </ul>
<b>Best Mixed Chocolate Bar</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Alter Eco Dark Salted Burnt Caramel Organic Bar</li> <li>Beijo de Chocolat P B &amp; C Bar</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Alter Eco Dark Quinoa</li> <li>Chocolate for the Spirit Sugarplum Enchantment Bar</li> <li>Delysia Chocolatier Gianduja</li> <li>Gem Chocolates Lost &amp; Found</li> <li>The Chocolate Fetish Souvenir Chocolate Art Round</li> <li>Ticket Chocolate Grasshopper Pie Beloved Bar</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-- na</li> </ul>
<b>Best Ingredient Combinations</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dear Coco Chocolate Istanbul Toffee Chocolate Bar</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mink Chocolates Taj Masala</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chocolate for the Spirit Sugarplum Enchantment Bar</li> </ul>
<b>Best Taste</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Alter Eco Dark Salted Burnt Caramel Organic Bar</li> <li>Chubby Chipmunk Hand-Dipped Chocolates Fortunato #4 Bar</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ChocXO Camino Verde 72% Ecuador</li> <li>Luxx Chocolat GFBar</li> <li>Mink Chocolates Taj Masala</li> <li>Nuttyness Milk Chocolate Pure Almond Marzipan Bar</li> <li>SPAGnVOLA Chocolatier Single Estate Chocolate Bar</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ChocXO Fortuna Especial No. 4 80% Peru</li> <li>Gem Chocolates Lost &amp; Found</li> <li>Ticket Chocolate Grasshopper Pie Beloved Bar</li> </ul>
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<b>Most Unique</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Delysia Chocolatier Gryllinae with Fruit &amp; Nuts Chocolate Bark</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Luxx Chocolat GFBar</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chocolate for the Spirit Organic 74% Dark Chocolate Urth Bar</li> <li>Dear Coco Chocolate Madras Toffee Chocolate Bar</li> <li>Dear Coco Chocolate Shanghai Toffee Chocolate Bar</li> <li>Delysia Chocolatier Gianduja</li> <li>Delysia Chocolatier French Toast Bark</li> <li>Mink Chocolates Taj Masala</li> <li>Shatell Organic Dark 70% Cacao Criollo - Peru</li> <li>Ticket Chocolate Hazelnut Cherry Stuffing Beloved Bar</li> </ul>
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<b>Best Graphic Design</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chocolate for the Spirit Sugarplum Enchantment Bar</li> <li>• ChocXO Camino Verde 72% Ecuador</li> <li>• ChocXOGuantupi 75% Ecuador</li> <li>• ChocXOFortuna Especial No. 4 80% Peru</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gem Chocolates Lost &amp; Found</li> <li>• Shattell Organic Dark 70% Cacao Criollo - Peru</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alter Eco Dark Salted Burnt Caramel Organic</li> <li>• Chocolate for the Spirit Divine Swine Bar</li> <li>• Delysia Chocolatier Gianduja</li> <li>• Mink Chocolates Taj Masala</li> <li>• Nuttyness Milk Chocolate Pure Almond Marzipan Ba</li> <li>• SPAGnVOLA Chocolatier Single Estate Chocolate Bar</li> <li>• The Chocolate Fetish Share the Love Dark Chocolate Bar</li> <li>• Wild Sweets by Dominique &amp; Cindy Duby Dominican Republic 'La Red' 42% Milk Salted Butter Caramel</li> </ul>
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### SAMPLE OF AWARD WINNERS

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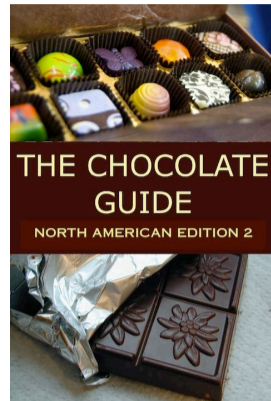


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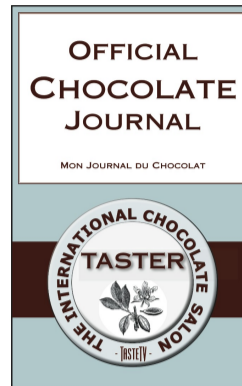
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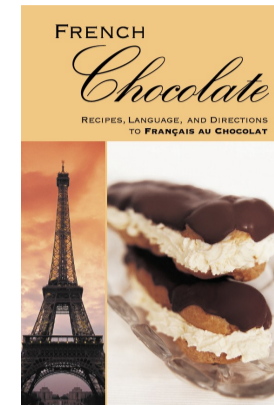
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