

# CHEF SPOTLIGHT

Join us in welcoming  
Thompson Hospitality  
Executive Chef  
Gabriel Jonas



Chef Gabriel started cooking very early on with his mother and grandmothers. In middle and high school, he took home economics, which taught him the importance of cooking. His high school teacher saw that he needed more of a challenge, so she created a class for him to teach the younger students the importance of food and where it comes from. Chef Gabriel graduated from Kendall College with a B.A.S. in food and beverage management. During his college career, he interned in France, Hungary and Spain. In Chicago, Illinois, he worked at The Peninsula hotel, learning every kitchen aspect of a 24-hour establishment. After moving around the United States, he helped to open a restaurant in Aspen, Colorado. He left Aspen and moved to Sweden to understand Nordic cuisine and culture. After returning home to Chicago, he found himself working with Thompson Hospitality, where he's able to incorporate his mixed cultural background and worldly travels into his work.

