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LEADING CATERERS  
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# MEMBERSHIP

Prospective members of LCA are evaluated for their performance before being invited to apply for membership. Their evaluation includes an appraisal of their client responsiveness, evaluation of their facilities, a review of their training and quality control systems, their online reviews, and their industry awards. Other industry stakeholders such as event professionals are also asked for their input.

In most geographic markets around the country, there is only a single LCA member. This geographic exclusivity is necessary to maintain the high-quality standards expected of LCA member companies. LCA members also agree to a strict Code of Conduct, the content of which is available to any interested client.

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# ABOUT LCA

## MISSION STATEMENT

LCA offers the assurance of an exceptional catered event, no matter which member company is serving, and no matter what the size and type of event. With the quality commitment of a national brand, LCA provides the local knowledge and sensitivity required for each catered function. The LCA marque stands for excellence in the entire event catering experience.

## HISTORY

Nearly 60 of the top caterers from throughout the US and Canada have joined forces to create the LCA. These are the most successful independent caterers in their respective markets, and an invitation to join a peer evaluated membership consortium such as LCA is a high honor and distinction.

Founded in 2007 as a CEO roundtable focused on raising the standards of the catering industry, the LCA enters its second decade as a highly responsive and innovative cooperative of top ranked caterers. The group annually caters over \$650 million in events of all types, and includes nearly half of the top 20 caterers in the US and Canada.

The LCA has an active affiliation with a similar group of top caterers in Western Europe, the European Party Caterer Association (EPCAS). The LCA members have also worked cooperatively with many of the top celebrity chefs nationwide.

LCA members have collectively won many hundreds of industry awards, and have been the subject of extensive press coverage. The members are extremely highly regarded both by their clients and by their industry peers. The individual and combined resources of the member companies of LCA can be relied on to successfully execute any catered function, from a single event to simultaneous events in nearly every major event market in the US and Canada.



# SERVICES OFFERED

## CORPORATE EVENTS

LCA specializes in corporate events of all types—marketing, celebratory, client related, employee morale, and others. Whether held in the hosts' facility, or in an off-premise location, LCA members are able to deliver a high value corporate event experience.

## WEDDINGS

At its collective portfolio of some of the most desirable wedding venues in North America, the LCA caters thousands of weddings annually. Most LCA members have dedicated wedding specialists on staff to ensure that a wedding day is executed flawlessly, no matter the level of complexity.

## SOCIAL & LIFE CYCLE EVENTS

Bar and bat mitzvahs, first communions, quinceañeras, retirements and graduations, and even funerals are all important life cycle events. Superb food and service are crucial to making these events special and memorable, and the LCA is a robust resource for those products.

## CONVENTION, MEETING & INCENTIVE TRAVEL EVENTS

A planner for an out of town group looking for an authentic local event experience could do no better than reaching out to the LCA member in their destination city. Top notch food is key to enjoying the convention travel experience, and as the top caterers in their respective markets the LCA members are supremely well suited to create a superb locally or regionally themed event.

## NONPROFIT FUNDRAISER/GALA EVENTS

Galas and fundraisers are crucial to the success of most charitable ventures—including achieving both financial and membership goals. The LCA is highly attuned to the needs of most charities, and is a great resource for all the necessary components to make these gala events successful.

## SPORTS & ENTERTAINMENT VIP CATERING

Whether an annual or one-off event, excellent hospitality is imperative to drawing a crowd at a sports or entertainment function. The LCA collectively has provided catering services to many of these events, all around the country. Golf, tennis, football and other sporting event, music festivals, air shows, and public events of all types are part of the LCA portfolio.

## CORPORATE DELIVERY CATERING

Many LCA members offer both traditional and innovative delivery catering services. From box lunches to sandwich trays to exciting hors d'oeuvre presentations, this service is one that almost everyone has need for at least occasionally.

## EMERGENCY SERVICES CATERING

Several the LCA members are highly experienced and equipped emergency services caterers. Forest fires, hurricanes, ice storms, tornadoes, and disasters of all types require feeding the first responder crews, and the LCA has extensive expertise in this field.





# MORE SERVICES

## RESTAURANT & CAFE OPERATIONS

Among the LCA membership are several prominent restaurateurs, and many other members operate successful restaurants and cafés as part of a venue contract requirements. These existing resources are available to the general LCA membership, as well as to their clients requiring restaurant operations.

## CONTRACT/PROGRAM FOODSERVICE

Sometimes corporations or institutions have need for daily foodservice, either catered in or prepared on site. A number of LCA members in different markets around the country offer this service.



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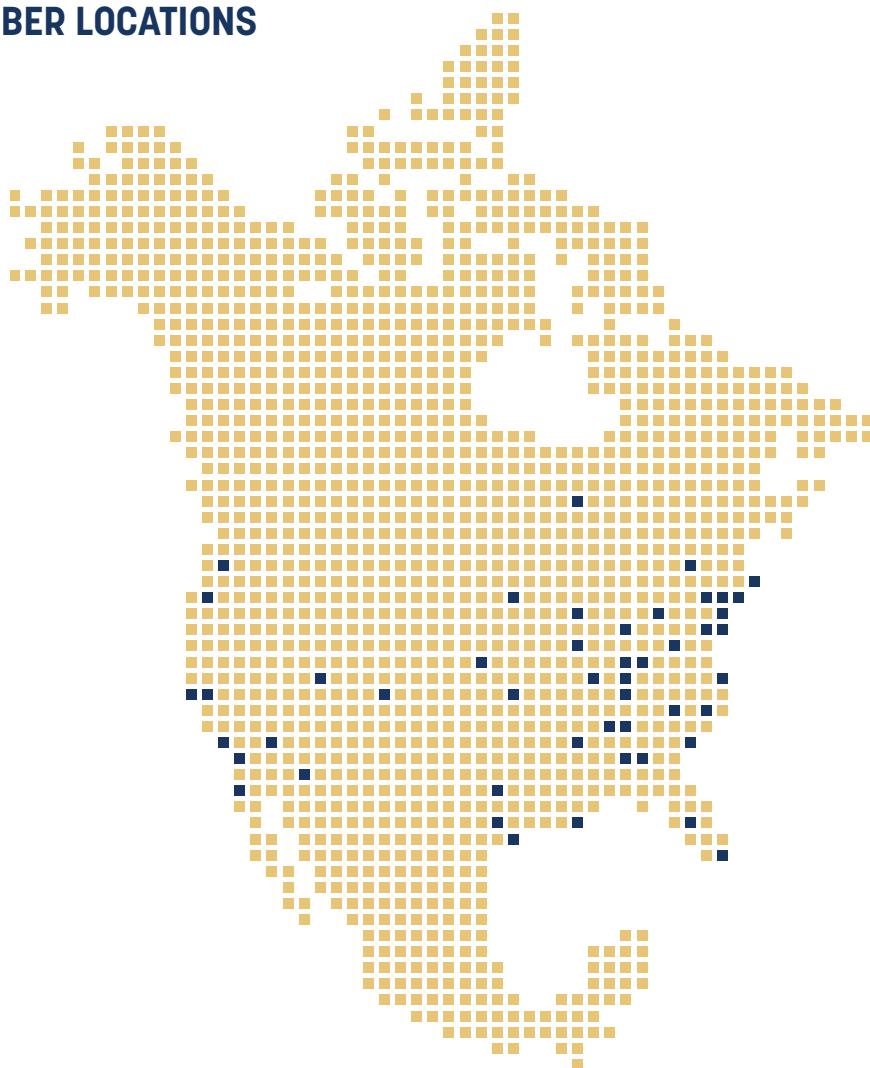




# LOCATIONS

## LEADING CATERERS OF AMERICA MEMBER LOCATIONS

Austin TX	Miami FL
Baltimore MD	Milwaukee WI
Boston MA	Minneapolis MN
Buffalo NY	Northern New Jersey NJ
Charleston SC	New Orleans LA
Charlotte NC	New York City NY
Charlottesville VA	NYC North Suburbs/ SW CT NY/CT
Chicago IL	Omaha NE
Cincinnati OH	Orange County CA
Columbus OH	Orlando FL
Dallas/Ft. Worth TX	Philadelphia PA
Denver CO	Phoenix/Tucson AZ
Detroit MI	Pittsburgh PA
East Bay Area CA	Portland OR
Harrisburg PA	Providence/Newport RI
Hartford/New Haven CT	Raleigh/Durham NC
Honolulu HI	Salt Lake City UT
Houston TX	San Diego CA
Indianapolis IN	San Francisco CA
Kansas City KS/MO	Santa Barbara CA
Knoxville TN	Seattle WA
Las Vegas NV	St. Louis MO
Long Island NY	Toronto ON
Los Angeles CA	Vancouver BC
Louisville KY	Virginia Beach/Norfolk VA
Memphis TN	



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