

The Somerville Arts Council presents:

Nibble Culinary Entrepreneur Program



Do you like to cook? Would you like to explore a culinary career?
Then this program might be for you!

ABOUT The Nibble Entrepreneurship Program is a City of Somerville initiative to support members of our immigrant communities to learn about possible career opportunities in the food industry. So, if you like to cook and are interested in pursuing a culinary career — you may be interested in this opportunity. We offer a series of workshops; the sessions will be taught by a rotating group of city employees, business professionals and food business owners. The program also provides vending opportunities to qualified participants. Most likely we'll meet on a Monday or Tuesday evening, 6-8pm, beginning in February of 2020. **COST:** This program costs \$100; but qualified applicants will receive financial support and will only have to pay \$25.

INTRODUCTORY INTERVIEW: Please fill out this form, send to us and we will set up an interview with you.

Name _____

Email _____

Phone _____

Address _____

What is your level of English? _____

Are you enrolled in an ESL program? _____

Are you available to meet on Mon, Tues or Wed evenings, from 6-8pm? _____

What experience do you have cooking?

Do you cook for large gatherings? _____

Do you have catering experience? _____

Do you have restaurant experience? _____ If so, What kind of experience?

Do you have written down recipes for your dishes? _____

Have you sold your food at festivals, church functions, etc? _____

Do you have experience teaching others how to cook? _____

What type of cuisine is your specialty? _____



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What would you like to learn in this culinary business program?

-How to find a job at a food business, like a restaurant? YES ____ NO ____

-How to start your own food business — if yes, what kind of food business?

-Learning about Health permits YES ____ NO ____

-Learning about food packaging and distribution YES ____ NO ____

-Learning about financing a new food business YES ____ NO ____

-How to produce family recipes for large groups/restaurants YES ____ NO ____

Program Opportunities

-Do you have interest in cooking/running a 1-night restaurant? YES ____ NO ____

-Do you have interest in teaching cooking classes? YES ____ NO ____

-Would you like to sell your food at markets/festivals? YES ____ NO ____

Tell us if you have other specific ideas about how to earn money from cooking —and/or what you'd like to learn about the food business.

Send this application to:

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Questions

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Deadline: February 7, 2020

How we will select participants

This is a small program; we hope to select 5 participants. Preference may be given to Somerville residents who have solid cooking experience and either speak English or are enrolled ESL classes. Nibble primarily serves low-moderate income global cooks — due to our funding streams and mission. Nibble especially seeks cooks who make cuisine from their native countries.