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## **GALVESTON RESTAURANT WINS BIG IN 2011 "BEST OF GALVESTON" AWARDS ON GALVESTON.COM**

Galveston Restaurant Group took top honors in three cuisine categories in the 2011 "Best of Galveston" awards on Galveston.com. Mario's Seawall Italian Restaurant won the "Best Italian Cuisine," Saltwater Grill emerged as "Best Seafood Cuisine," and Sky Bar Steak & Sushi took first in "Best Asian Cuisine."

The survey takes place each calendar year on the official website of Galveston Island tourism, and is open to all visitors to the site. Throughout 2011, votes were cast in record numbers, with over 85,000 votes tallied. And though vote count was extremely high, Galveston.com went to great lengths to ensure count accuracy by partnering with one of the most respected polling firms on the internet, SodaHead.

"We take tremendous pride in knowing the annual Galveston.com Web Survey is quickly becoming the gold standard of true customer opinion, not just 'who can mail in the most ballots'" says Jim Cordell, vice-president of Galveston.com & Company.

The results were especially pleasing to Galveston Restaurant Group owners Johnny Smecca, Joey Smecca and Danny Hart. "We work extremely hard to provide the ultimate dining experience that spans many different types of cuisine" explained Hart. "Winning the only three categories we competed in really solidifies the effort we give to our guests each and every day."

Galveston Restaurant Group is a multifaceted restaurant company comprised of Johnny Smecca, Joey Smecca and Danny Hart. Galveston Restaurant Group owns and operates Mario's Seawall Italian Restaurant, Gumbo Bar, Saltwater Grill, Sky Bar Steak & Sushi, Papa's Pizza and Little Daddy's Gumbo Bar. Visit them online at [www.GalvestonRestaurantGroup.com](http://www.GalvestonRestaurantGroup.com).