**Board Application Required Materials**

Please complete the 2025 RCA Board of Directors Application (below)

Required with your application:

* RCA Board Application
* Personal RCA Vision Statement – See directions below
* Personal Bio – See directions below
* RCA Board Performance Agreement
* A letter of approval/support from your current employer
* Headshot Photograph
* A letter of recommendation from a current or past RCA Board member (recommended)

Submit all materials to RCA Headquarters via e-mail to [elections@culinology.org](mailto:elections@culinology.org); submission **deadline is Friday, September 20, 2024 by Midnight Pacific Time**

Questions on application requirements? Submit to [elections@culinology.org](mailto:elections@culinology.org)

**RCA Board of Directors Application**

**Applicant Information:**

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| **Full Name:** |  |
| **Current Title:** |  |
| **Current Employer:** |  |
| **Primary E-mail:** |  |
| **Primary Phone:** |  |

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| **Membership Category** Highlight or Check One | Chef |  |
| Culinology |  |
| Food Science & Technology |  |
| Affiliate |  |
| Associate |  |

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| **Primary Responsibility at Your Company**  Highlight or Check all that apply | R&D |  |
| Culinary |  |
| Quality |  |
| Academia |  |
| Product Development |  |
| Operations |  |
| Sales |  |
| Marketing |  |
| Food Science |  |
| Other |  |

Please complete the below:

* Current RCA Certifications:
* Current RCA Committees (actively serving):
* Past RCA Committees (previously served):
* Other professional memberships (ex. IFT, ACF):
* Professional Awards/Honors:
* Current or Former RCA Board Member Referral (list Board Member name):
* Letter of support or approval from current employer – include with application.

*Signature to certify that the above information is accurate.*

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_\_

*Please sign this application and forward a photograph, a personal biography, a personal RCA vision statement, Board Member Performance Agreement, employer letter of approval and current/past RCA board member referral.*

**RCA Vision Statement**

The personal RCA vision statement gives you the opportunity to describe your own RCA story and how you believe you can make a positive impact on the Board of Directors and to the RCA.

Your vision statement may describe why you became an RCA member and how you’ve been active and involved. Describe any committee work, RCA regional work or other RCA related activities.

Your vision statement should also describe how you will make a positive impact on the Board of Directors and for the RCA organization. Discuss why you’re uniquely qualified to become a board member.

Your Vision Statement is limited to 400 words or fewer, which is about one full page.

**RCA Board Application Biography**

Applications to the RCA Board of Directors must include a professional biography. This document should describe your academic and professional career. Focus your biography on the skills necessary to serve on the RCA Board of Directors.

Biographies should include educational background and professional career background. List successes and accomplishments, certifications and professional skills. Discuss why you are a great candidate to serve on the RCA Board of Directors.

Your biography is limited to 400 words or fewer, which is about one full page.