



Hospitality awards dominated by Capital

TOP Edinburgh chefs and eateries are up for a host of gongs at the prestigious Catering Scotland Excellence awards.

Chef patron of Capital restaurants L'Escargot Blanc and L'Escargot Bleu Fred Berk-miller is shortlisted for Chef of the Year for the second time while his Queensferry Street eaterie, L'Escargot Blanc, is in the running for Restaurant of

the Year alongside Glasgow's Gamba and Shirley Spear's Three Chimneys on the Isle of Skye.

Paul Wedgwood of Wedgwood The Restaurant on the Royal Mile is another Edinburgh chef hoping to claim the Chef of the Year title after being nominated in 2017.

Meanwhile luxury boutique hotels Dunstane Houses have been shortlisted in the Inde-

pendent Hotel of the Year category and Princes Street's The Waldorf Astoria Edinburgh – The Caledonian is hotly tipped to bag the Group Hotel of the Year Award.

Nobles Café Bar and Restaurant in Leith is shortlisted for the Pub Excellence Award, where it is up against Rabble Taphouse and Grill in Edinburgh's Frederick Street and the city's Scran and Scallie.