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Mayor Shirley Franklin: For the love of all Atlantans, do not accept Alton's offer to take a ride on his motorcycle—even if you did just bond over presenting Chef Linton Hopkins as the winner of the Iron Chef America Atlanta Challenge.



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A TASTE OF ALTON

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You can let your breath out now—as promised, I've got the results of the **Iron Chef America Atlanta Challenge**—or, as I like to call it, “Chef Smackdown.” **Taste of Atlanta** hosted the challenge, and hunka-hunka burning love and motorcycle-riding star of the Food Network’s “Feasting on Asphalt,” **Alton Brown**, along with **Mayor Shirley Franklin**, announced the winner: **Chef Linton Hopkins** of **Restaurant Eugene**. Hopkins grabbed the panel by their palates with a trifecta of entrees: corn milk poached Maine lobster; sweet corn

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butterbean succotash with cream of sweet corn, petit black krim tomatoes, Benton’s bacon, balsamic-corn milk vinaigrette and a corn cloud with corn powder; and corn puree with skillet corn. For dessert, Hopkins presented a corn ice cream lollipop with almond brittle. A corn cloud *and* a corn ice cream lollipop? That’s right—snap! Hopkins beat out three other top Atlanta chefs for the chance to represent the ATL in kitchen stadium on “Iron Chef America.” His segment will be filmed in October and will air sometime in 2007.