

**Executive Chef Tyson Cole prepares a 12 course meal
for author and Japanese cuisine expert Hiroko Shimbo.**

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When all was said and done, Hiroko was very impressed with what we had been prepared and served by Tyson and his team. 'I appreciate his culinary talent and his respect for the ingredients. A lot of our dinner wasn't Japanese in the classic sense, but it was based on Japanese training, used the freshest seasonal ingredients like the Japanese do, and had clean flavors in the Japanese way. His meticulous and careful attention to create beautiful presentation is astonishing. I am really glad that I got to experience Tyson's food.'