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Starstruck

Masaharu Morimoto at last night's Rising Stars Revue
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The stars certainly came out last night at the [Mandarin Oriental](#) for the [StarChefs](#) "Rising Stars Revue." In addition to delectable dishes such as coriander-crust triggerfish with quinoa, wood-ear mushrooms and sweet-and-sour basil eggplant sauce from [Perilla](#)'s Harold Dieterle and a wild mushroom consommé with mushroom ravioli with peas, morel and chorizo from [Aldea](#)'s George Mendes, there were quite a few tidbits to be taken in from the masters in the house. David Bouley expressed his excitement for kaiseki cuisine, which will be the theme of Brushstrokes, his Japanese cooking school/restaurant debuting this winter; [Masaharu Morimoto](#) confided that his empire will be expanding to Hawaii and California; and Jason Denton confirmed that he's putting the finishing touches on the West Villager Cors'ino, which will open next month.

— Kathleen Squires

George Mendes' wild mushroom consommé with mushroom ravioli with peas, morel and chorizo
Photo: Hernan F. RodriguezDaniel Boulud and David Bouley
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