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## Tavern in Pacific Beach Hires New Chef



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Meet Chef Christina Pancheri, the new executive chef at Tavern. The recently minted queen of The Verant Group's first born restaurant, Tavern at 1200 Garnet Avenue in Pacific Beach, says she believes in fate. She didn't always realize she'd become a chef—just wait, this gal knows what you're thinking. Pancheri studied psychology, and believes life's events led her right into the kitchen at Tavern.

The youngest of three children, Christina grew up in Poway with a tight-knit family. Her family spent quality time together and often cooking was the impetus. In fact, they still congregate in the kitchen every Wednesday evening.

This 2013 grad from the Art Institute in San Diego takes over the helm at Tavern, after working as the chef de cuisine at

Kitchen 4140 in Clairemont and previously as a line cook at Little Italy's La Villa.

Christina feels at home with The Verant Group and says that working for the company has been wonderful. She states, "...it has been a dream so far, and I feel I was the missing piece for the Tavern crew; this position was meant for me."

For more information about Tavern, please visit <u>www.tavernatthebeach.com.</u>

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