



SKÅL INTERNATIONAL

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Skål International Orlando

Young Skål Program continues path of growth and success



The Young Skål Program at Skål International Orlando began in 2008 with Dr. Abe Pizam, Dr. Wilfred Iskat, Skål Orlando Past Presidents Barbara Kenney and Carlton Hudson, and Tom White, Past President Skål Orlando and Skål USA.

Since then, more than 30 studying hospitality management at the University of Central Florida Rosen College of Hospitality Management have been welcomed by Central Florida industry leaders and mentors to assist them with their knowledge and experience. The new Dean of UCF Rosen College, Dr. Youcheng Wang, is now actively involved in the Young Skål Program and process.

“We are so proud of our Young Skål program and the commitment that our members have made to embracing these outstanding young people who are the future of our hospitality, travel and tourism industry,” said John Stine, President of Skål International Orlando. Congratulations to our newest Young Skål Members Direne Falcon, Dalanique Horne, Tania Imani, Jessica McKinney and Kiara Miranda Berrios and to our Young Skål Chair, Stefanie Zambelli, who started membership in our club herself as a Young Skål Member and is internationally engaged with the Young Skål Program with Skål worldwide.”

As the number of Young Skål members continues to grow, Skål International Orlando is proud to mentor them as they transition to Young Skål Professional and Active Membership status. Some active Skål Members and their companies have also offered scholarships for Young Skål members.

According to Stine, Skål Orlando has done much to personally meet with Young Skål members while giving them job shadowing and internship opportunities. “Several have hired Young Skål graduates in their hotels, restaurants, and event venues in professional areas such as desk, marketing, social media, events and call center operations,” he added.