

FOODIES: Matt Merrin of Jam Corner with Wayne Gilray from Wayne and Adele's Garden of Eating, front, and Braden Honnery of Michels, Stuart Hostren of A Touch of Salt and Adam Gower from Jam Corner, back Photo: SCOTT RADFORD-CHISHOLM

## Maggie heads food feast as part of AFCM

ONE of Australia's most lovable chefs will host the Australian Festival of Chamber Music's annual Chefs in the North dinner.

Maggie Beer will return for a second year to host the prestigious event at Jupiters Townsville on July 26.

Ms Beer has a passion for chamber music and is also good friends with the festival's general manager Sue Hackett.

"My first experience of this festival was the Chefs in the North dinner. Food and music, music and food, nothing could be better and what a night to remember," Ms Beer said.

Local chef Wayne Gilray from Wayne and Adele's Garden of Eating will again team up with Jam Corner owner Matt Merrin to organise the five-course degustation menu.

Visiting chefs will be paired with Townsville's local culinary talents including Jupiters Townsville Essence demi chef Adrian Winoto, A Touch of Salt sous chef Stuart Hoskins, Michels chef de partie Braden Honnery and Jam Corner head chef Adam Gower.

Mr Gilray said the chefs received invaluable experience.

The Australian Festival of Chamber Music will run from July 27-August 4.

For more details go to www.afcm.com.au.

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