

20TH ANNIVERSARY SPECIAL

hall of fame *50 best new chefs*

We love all of our Best New Chefs from the past two decades, but these 50 exemplify four different kinds of success stories: as entrepreneurs, hometown heroes, creative visionaries or one-restaurant monogamists. by jane sigal

michael schlow, '96

For years, Schlow has impressed Bostonians at both his fancy Asian-French Radius and the Italian Via Matta. Now, with Alta Strada in Wellesley, he's brought his top-notch Italian cooking to the suburbs. **FAMOUS DISH** Alta Strada's *chitarra* pasta with spicy lobster. viamattarestaurant.com.