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## **Tom Victor Gausdal: Author of World Best Cookbook**

On May 20, 2006 in Kuala Lumpur (Malaysia), Tom Victor Gausdal receives the Gourmand Award for “Best Cookbook in the World”. His book “Husmannskost”, traditional home cooking is published by Forlaget Press A/S, with photos by Guri Dahl.

Chef Tom Victor Gausdal is captain of the Norwegian culinary team. He won the Silver Medal at the Bocuse D’Or in 2005. He was Chef of the Year 2005 in Norway.

Other previous winners of this unique prestigious award are:

1997	Chuck Williams - US
1998	Roger Souvereyns – Belgium
1999	Thomas Keller – US
2000	Dieter Müller – Germany
2001	Pierre Herme – France
2002	Michel Bras – France
2003	Heston Blumenthal – UK
2004	Harumi Kurihara – Japan

Four of the last winners now have three Michelin stars, which is a very positive sign for this year’s winner. Harumi Kurihara has sold over 15 million cookbooks and magazines around the world, in Japanese, English, French and German.

This is a great success for Norway. It is the first time Norway wins a Gourmand Best in the World award for a cookbook. Once in 2001 it won a “The World’s Best Book on Spirits” award for “Historien om Cognac, Calvados og Armagnac” by Toralf Bolgen published by Editor Lars Røtterud at Gyldendal.

All information and other awards results are available in the Gourmand Yearbook 2006.

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