

Rick Smilow Board Director

Rick Smilow is the President, CEO and Owner of the Institute of Culinary Education (ICE) in New York City and Los Angeles. Prior to ICE, Smilow was an entrepreneur in the pet food business and held product management positions in the Grocery Division at Nabisco Brands USA.

Rick earned a BA degree in history from Emory University and an MBA in marketing from the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University. Rick is a director of City Harvest, STREETS International (Vietnam), and JOIN Israel. He is also a member of YPO (Young Presidents' Organization), and on the Advisory Council for the Yale Sustainable Farm.

He is a board member and partner in Dinex, Chef Daniel Boulud's NYC based, 14-unit international restaurant group. In 2003, Smilow was the annual honoree of the New York Association of Culinary Professionals; and, in 2011 he was the IACP's Entrepreneur of the Year. In 2010, Smilow coauthored, "Culinary Careers: How to Get Your Dream Job in Food," a 360-page 'information and inspiration' book published by Random House.