

**Neera Monica Lal**

**EDUCATION**

Bachelor of Arts, Reed College: History

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:**

**President/CEO Monterey Peninsula Chamber of Commerce**  
**August 2021-Present** Supervisor: Kevin Causey-Board Chair  
Responsible for implementing and monitoring the strategic initiatives and policies of the Chamber/Board by monitoring operating plans and the full range of management activities therein. Close interaction with Board of Directors, community and elected leaders with focus on relationship building.

**Membership Development Manager Monterey Peninsula Chamber of Commerce**  
**April 2019 – July 2021**  
Direct contact with current and prospective members. Responsible for all communications and marketing, scheduling, coordinating of committee meetings, sales and seeking event sponsorship. Special Events marketing, ribbon cuttings, mixers, planning and day of execution.

**Estate Chef in Residence Stonepine Estate**  
**July 2018- April 2019** Supervisor: Gordon Hentschel  
Responsible for menu production and execution, client sales for events

**Sous-Chef Bernardus Lodge -**  
**2015 – 2018.** Supervisor: Cal Stamenov  
Initially hired as consultant to aid with re-opening after renovations, then position shifted to operating in an all-around capacity.

**Estate Manager/Chef Quail Lodge Golf Club and Resort**  
**2003 - 2012** Supervisor: Sarah Cruse  
Created and maintained a team. Management of construction projects, attention to detail, and ability to respond effectively to diverse client needs with high degree of privacy.

**Chef de Cuisine/Exec Sous-Chef Bernardus Lodge Spa and Resort**  
**1999 - 2002** Supervisor : Cal Stamenov 831-236-8794  
Part of the opening team responsible for creating the kitchen. Responsible for creation of daily menus, sourcing products, scheduling, and budget support for Chef.

**Further Personal Experience:**

2019-present Les Dames D' Escoffier (Culinary Society)  
2017-Present- Co-Leader Girl Scout Troop 30610  
2020 - present- President -BPSA (Bojuka Ryu Martial Arts Club in Marina)  
2021 Monterey County Advisory Redistricting Commissioner – District 5  
2012 – present – Loaves and Fishes (San Carlos Parish)  
2014-2020 - Board Member Junipero Serra School