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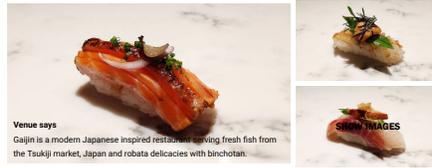
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Venue says
Gaijin is a modern Japanese inspired restaurant serving fresh fish from the Tsukiji market, Japan and robata delicacies with binchohan.

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In Astoria, just off the bustling shopping district of Steinway Street, lies a hidden treasure. Gaijin, meaning "outside person" in Japanese, is an apt moniker for Chef Mark Garcia's modern take on Japanese food.

Garcia and co-owner Jay Zheng met working in Chicago restaurants and planned for five years to open their own place. They brought their ideas—and nearly their entire staff—to the Big Apple for a soft opening last October. The staff look chic in crisp white button-downs and leather suspenders, with jaunty newsboy caps for the cooks. Jazzy ooo provides unobtrusive background music for diners.

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Gaijin says

In Japanese, "gaijin" literally means "outside person." A Chicago native co-owner and executive chef Mark fell in love with Japanese cuisine while working at Sushi Samba. He approached Chef Kaze to formally train and mentor him. Chef Kaze agreed, and so began a decade long relationship during which Mark rose to the top of the Chicago restaurant scene.

His artistic eye and creative skills are influenced by his training under Chef Kaze, a veteran Chicago sushi chef with a 30-year history of opening innovative

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