

A FINE LINE

a woman's place is in the kitchen ■



"Best Documentary by a First Time Filmmaker"

"An endearing look at progress toward equality"

VANITY FAIR

The Boston Globe

ABOUT THE FILM

A Fine Line is an acclaimed documentary that explores why less than 7% of head chefs and restaurant owners are women despite having traditionally held the central role in the kitchen. The film interweaves candid insights from world-renowned female chefs with a central narrative of a small-town restaurateur. This restaurateur is both a chef and single mom—and she is on a mission to do what she loves while raising two kids with the odds stacked mightily against her. *A Fine Line* opens up a timely discussion about equality in the culinary field and beyond.

"Shocking, insightful & highly inspirational. I literally flew out of my chair to take action and stand along side these incredible women!"

– Nicole DeMeo
CEO Media Luna Vineyards



"A Fine Line began as a love letter to her mom... it grew into a much bigger story."



THE STORYTELLER

Director & Producer, Joanna James, has a personal connection to seeing the film's impact mission realized. Her mother, Val, has been the sole owner and operator of a successful restaurant since 1991. But like many women navigating motherhood and career, Val had to make significant sacrifices and persevere in order to overcome systematic obstacles. Knowing that women continue to face such barriers, Joanna is driven to help create a more level playing field for more women to reach their full potential through these powerful screenings.



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The team behind *A Fine Line* has built a coalition of leaders in the culinary, high-tech and educational fields to seed and expand the film's message and Impact Campaign. *A Fine Line* has already been the centerpiece of impactful screening events from Silicon Valley to New York to Nantucket. These events both recognize women across industries for their achievements and enlisting them to pay it forward to significantly increase women in leadership.



"Thank you for sharing your timely film and enthusiasm with us. We had an overwhelming positive response."

– Gwen Koch, **Harvard University Food Literacy Project**

"A Fine Line is both a personal story and national discussion. It's informative and tugs at your heartstrings all at once."

– **The New Times**



"Thank you for sharing your inspiring film at the Adobe Global Future of Food at Work Summit. The impact was tremendous... my inbox was overflowing with positive feedback."

– Mirit Cohen, **Adobe Global Food Program**

CHANGE THE NARRATIVE

A Fine Line is a call to action for audiences to see how we can each play a role in closing the gender gap and fostering women leaders. Going into high schools encouraging girls to aspire to any career goal, showing them a path as opposed to false messages. Inspiring mid-level career women to take a leap into leadership through apprenticeships and mentorship. You can help us create more women leaders in tech, culinary and beyond.

