



California brothers win NYC street vendor award

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NEW YORK - Three brothers from [California](#) are [New York](#)'s best street chefs _ as in, cart vendors.

They faced four others in an intense cook-off for the Vendy Award _ held Saturday under the [Brooklyn Bridge](#).

The nonprofit Urban Justice Center, which sponsors the award, crowned Jesse, Brian and Dave Vendley, whose Calexico cart in [SoHo](#) offers California-style Mexican food.

The other four finalists serve meat and cheese pupusas from El Salvador, Middle Eastern falafel, spicy Indian biryani and Jamaican fusion food.

The award is a fundraiser for the Justice Center's Street Vendor Project, which fights for the rights of the city's thousands of sidewalk vendors.