

Chelsey Espinera

General Manager, Delaney Oyster House

Chelsey Espinera is the General Manager of Delaney Oyster House and a longtime member of The Neighborhood Dining Group team. Born in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma and raised in Atlanta, Georgia, Espinera has fond memories of her parents working in the industry and running around restaurants as a child. Building upon this initial spark, Espinera went on to study hospitality, tourism, and events, with a focus on restaurant management at Metropolitan State of Denver before graduating and making a cross country move to Charleston, South Carolina for warmer weather and a taste of Southern comfort foods. Following various front and back of house roles, Espinera landed her first position with NDG at McCrady's in 2016, where she served as server and shortly thereafter Banquet Captain at the legendary Charleston restaurant. Joining the opening team at Delaney Oyster House, Espinera served as Front of House Manager and Sommelier before being promoted to General Manager in 2021. In her current role, Espinera brings a strategic management style, with a focus on educating staff on their seasonal seafood offerings and providing guests with all of the charm and hospitality that the Holy City has to offer. When she's not at Delaney Oyster House, Espinera enjoys spending time in her home kitchen, testing new recipes and trying new cooking techniques.