

In late March, we came close to having a former employee of Frank Stitt's [Bottega](#) running a new Southern cuisine restaurant in Washington D.C.'s [Shaw Neighborhood](#). Well, we were close.



[Eatonville](#) is now open but Chris Newsome is not serving as its executive chef. Only 10 days into his new job, his boss decided that he wasn't necessarily the right fit. Check out [this story recently published in Washington City Paper](#) to learn what happened. You can also check out [the website for the restaurant](#), named for author [Zora Neale Hurston](#)'s hometown [Eatonville, FL](#), and the process used to determine who would serve as executive chef via videos.