



## JOHN CATUCCI SHARES HIS *BIG FOOD BUCKET LIST* BEGINNING MAY 24 AT 9 P.M. AND 9:30 P.M. ET/PT ON FOOD NETWORK CANADA

Host/Comedian Eats His Way Across North America, Checking the Most Mouth-Watering Dishes and Unforgettable Food Adventures Off His List

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Photo of John Catucci, host of *Big Food Bucket List*. Photo courtesy of Food Network Canada.

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**TORONTO, April 24, 2019** – This spring, **Food Network Canada** takes viewers on a one-of-a-kind food adventure across North America in the new Canadian original series from Corus Studios, [Big Food Bucket List](#) (14x30min). Fan-favourite host and comedian [John Catucci](#) ([You Gotta Eat Here!](#)) takes viewers along as he checks the most buzz-worthy, crazy, delicious food and must-see culinary stops off his bucket list. *Big Food Bucket List* premieres **Friday, May 24** at **9 p.m.** and **9:30 p.m. ET/PT** on Food Network Canada.

Viewers know John Catucci from his five seasons as host of the Food Network Canada hit series, *You Gotta Eat Here!*. Now he's back for another helping of over-the-top, delicious food, but this time around, he's on mission to find highly-recommended favourites to check off his *Big Food Bucket List*. Each episode, John visits three restaurants across North America and tries their must-eat meals. Then he hits the kitchen to lend a hand and learn how the chefs make their mind-blowing creations.

In the premiere back-to-back episodes, “Rolling in the Deep Dish” and “More Than Meats the Eye”, airing May 24 at 9 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. ET/PT, John dives into the original deep dish pizza in Chicago, Ill. and learns how to make a mile-high pizza pie. In Toronto, Ont., he’s off to feast on a burger with a sweet pineapple bun and jerk lobster fit for a king at a spectacular Jamaican-Chinese joint. Then John visits Louisville, Ky. to try out some truly authentic Kentucky fried chicken at a world-famous historic location before heading to Boston, Mass. to dig into the ultimate surf and turf burger topped with a juicy lobster tail, as well as mind-blowing fried lobster and waffles.

This season, John will try drool-worthy dishes that include an Instagram-famous, ooey-goey spaghetti grilled cheese from Irvine, Calif., seared scallops straight from the sea in Halifax, N.S., hand-rolled pasta perfection in Vancouver, B.C., and authentic New Orleans, La. fried chicken said to be Beyoncé’s favourite. John also satisfies his sweet tooth with treats like authentic New Orleans Bananas Foster, sinfully delicious hazelnut chocolate French toast from Calgary, Atla., and fluffy blueberry pancakes from a Nova Scotian sugar shack. Along the way, John also takes part in some unforgettable food adventures including a decadent medieval feast where no forks are allowed, learning the tricks of the trade at an apple orchard, getting smoked meat lessons from a pit master, and venturing to an authentic Canadian sugar shack.

Tourism Nova Scotia joins as a sponsor for three episodes, providing John with restaurant recommendations for bucket list-worthy dishes that highlight the province’s rich culture and fresh and local way of life.

Viewers can visit [foodnetwork.ca](http://foodnetwork.ca) to learn more about the series, find featured restaurants through an interactive locator map, check out exclusive recipes, behind the scenes content, and watch full episodes after broadcast.

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Lone Eagle Entertainment Ltd. is an independent production company based in Toronto, Canada. Founded in 1996 by Michael Geddes. Lone Eagle develops and produces high-concept television and formats, such as the award-winning, multi-season series *You Gotta Eat Here!* on Food Network Canada and the comedy panel show *Too Much Information* for Super Channel. Lone Eagle Entertainment's *Popstars* was the #1 rated Canadian series for three consecutive seasons. Lone Eagle Entertainment has also brought TV audiences such favourites as *Wipeout Canada*, *Inside the Box*, *You Bet Your Ass*, *The Office Temps*, *Hooked Up*, *Game On*, *The Call*, *Supermodels*, *Tribes of the 21st Century* and *Carlawood*. Lone Eagle Entertainment's series are distributed around the world.

Ahead of the premiere of *Big Food Bucket List*, John Catucci will be available on May 23 for in-person interviews in Toronto and phone interviews nationally. Additional interview opportunities available upon request.

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