



LET THE BATTLES BEGIN!

**IRON CHEF CANADA RETURNS WITH A NEW ENSEMBLE
OF CHALLENGERS READY TO COMPETE FOR
CULINARY SUPREMACY**

#IronChefCanada returns August 28 on Food Network Canada

Canada's Roster of Renowned Iron Chefs Returns to the Kitchen Stadium
Along with Gail Simmons as Host, Chris Nuttall-Smith as Floor Reporter
and Jai West as Chairman



From L to R: Lynn Crawford, Rob Feenie, Hugh Acheson, Jai West, Gail Simmons, Chris Nuttall-Smith, Susur Lee and Amanda Cohen. Photo credit: Courtesy of Food Network Canada

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TORONTO, August 6, 2019 – [Iron Chef Canada](#) is back this fall with new episodes (10x60) featuring highly skilled competitors and more fiery, over-the-top action. Ten new chef challengers are ready to face off against Canada's legendary Iron Chefs in head-to-head battles for culinary supremacy. The epic showdowns begin **Wednesday, August 28** at **10 p.m. ET/PT** on **Food Network Canada**.

Renowned culinary expert and television personality [Gail Simmons](#) returns as host, alongside prominent food journalist and critic [Chris Nuttall-Smith](#) as floor reporter and Vancouver-native [Jai West](#) as *Iron Chef Canada*'s revered Chairman. Celebrated Canadian Iron Chefs [Hugh Acheson](#), [Amanda Cohen](#), [Lynn Crawford](#), [Rob Feenie](#), and [Susur Lee](#) all return for battle.

In each hour-long battle, a uniquely talented chef challenger brings their culinary prowess to contend with an Iron Chef in the fully equipped **Monogram** kitchen stadium, outfitted with top-of-the-line appliances from Monogram. Using a featured "secret ingredient," the chefs prepare five dishes and at the mid-way point of each battle, the Chairman turns up the heat when he introduces his "culinary curveball," an unexpected ingredient that must be incorporated into at least one course. The dishes are judged on taste, presentation and originality by a panel of culinary experts and industry professionals to determine whose cuisine reigns supreme.

The [new batch of chefs ready for battle](#) are:

- **Paul Boehmer**, Toronto, Ont. – Chef/Owner of Böehmer
- **Shane Chartrand**, Enoch, Alta. – Chef and General Manager, SC Restaurant at River Cree Resort
- **Fisun Ercan**, Montreal, Que. – Executive Chef, Su Restaurant
- **Jonathan Gushue**, Joe Batt's Arm, N.L. – Executive Chef, Fogo Island Inn
- **Stefan Hartmann**, Vancouver, B.C. – Regional Executive Chef, Tacofino
- **Nick Hodge**, Montreal, Que. – Chef/Owner, Icehouse
- **Duncan Ly**, Calgary, Alta. – Executive Chef and Owner, Foreign Concept Restaurant
- **Giuseppe "Pino" Posteraro**, Vancouver, B.C. – Chef/Founder/Proprietor, Cioppino's Mediterranean Grill
- **Ivana Raca**, Toronto, Ont. – Executive Chef and Partner, Ufficio Restaurant
- **Scott Vivian**, Toronto, Ont. – Chef and Owner, Beast Restaurant

The fierce competitions kick off on August 28 with an intense battle between legendary Iron Chef Susur Lee and British Columbia-based challenger and a Michelin Star recipient, Chef Stefan Hartmann. The duo will be tasked to create unforgettable dishes that feature the off-cuts of meat known as offal. Chef Lee enters kitchen stadium with Sous Chefs Jonas Mangao and Bryan Gunness, while Chef Hartmann is accompanied by Sous Chefs Francis Domacena and Friedolin Janke. Guest judges for this episode include food writer **Jeffrey Merrihue**, Food Network Canada personality **Mijune Pak** (*Top Chef Canada*), and restaurateur and television personality **Brad Smith**.

Upcoming new episodes of *Iron Chef Canada* will see a rotating panel of acclaimed culinary guest judges including first-time appearances by Quebecois restaurateur **Lenny Lighter**, chef and activist **Joshna Maharaj**, acclaimed musician and food adventurer **Steven Page**, and notable restaurant writer and photographer **Renée Suen**.

On [foodnetwork.ca](#), exclusive *Iron Chef Canada* content includes a more in-depth look at the upcoming competitors, interviews with the Canadian Iron Chefs, secret ingredient tips and tricks videos, and the *Iron Chef Canada* [quiz](#) determines if fans have what it takes to compete. Full episodes of the show are also available online after broadcast.

Food Network Canada is available on a National Free Preview from October 1 to November 17, 2019. Please check [local listings](#) for additional details.

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