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CORUS STUDIOS' SPIN-OFF COMPETITION SERIES
WALL OF BAKERS MAKES ITS SWEET DEBUT MARCH 28 AT
10 P.M. ET/PT ON FOOD NETWORK CANADA**

Talented Home Bakers Compete to Take Home the \$10,000
Grand Prize

The Country's Best Pastry Chefs Serve as Judges
with Dynamic Host Noah Cappe at the Helm

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TORONTO, February 2, 2022 – No whisk, no reward! **Food Network Canada** introduces the ultimate baking competition **Wall of Bakers** (10x60), a spin-off of *Wall of Chefs*, which was ranked a Top 10 program on the network in spring and fall 2020*. This series tests the precision skills of Canada's home bakers as they battle in three rounds of captivating competition, in front of a dozen of the country's most accomplished

pastry chefs. As the hopeful home bakers rise to the challenge, they'll set their sights on the \$10,000 grand prize and the title of *Wall of Bakers* champion. The Corus Studios original makes its sweet debut **March 28** at **10 p.m. ET/PT** on Food Network Canada.

Wall of Bakers features an expert panel of 24 of the country's biggest names in baking on rotation throughout the season. The pastry chefs offer their expertise in each round, all while tasting, judging and eliminating one home baker. Ultimately, they decide who takes the cake.

The *Wall of Bakers* judges include:

- Elizabeth Charlton – Wolfville, N.S. (Slow Dough at Wolfville Farmers Market)
- Lynn Crawford – Toronto, Ont. (*Wall of Chefs*, The Hearth)
- Christine Cushing – Toronto, Ont. (*Wall of Chefs*)
- Patrice Demers – Montreal, Que. (Patrice Pâtissier)
- Stephanie Duong – Toronto, Ont. (Roselle Desserts)
- Farzam Fallah – Toronto, Ont. (Previously Black Sheep Restaurant Group in Hong Kong)
- Domenic Giammarella – Toronto, Ont. (Pearl Morissette)
- Andrew Han – Vancouver, B.C. (Kouign Café)
- Steve Hodge – Vancouver, B.C. (*Great Chocolate Showdown*, Temper Chocolate & Pastry)
- Christinn Hua – Toronto, Ont. (Millie Desserts)
- Jenna Hutchinson – Winnipeg, Man. (Jenna Rae Cakes)
- Lenore Johnson – Kitchener, Ont. (LenJo Bakes)
- Shobna Kannusamy – Vancouver, B.C. (Soirette Pastry Boutique)
- Ashley Kosowan – Winnipeg, Man. (Jenna Rae Cakes)
- Ricardo Larrivée – Saint Lambert, Que. (Ricardo Media Inc.)
- Tracey Muzzolini – Saskatoon, Sask. (Christies Mayfair Bakery)
- Jo Notkin – Montreal, Que. (Maison Zoe Ford)
- Raveena Oberoi – Surrey, B.C. (Just Cakes Bakeshop)
- Tara O'Brady – Niagara, Ont. (Author, *Seven Spoons*)
- Anna Olson – Welland, Ont. (*Anna's Occasions*, *Great Chocolate Showdown*)
- Guy Rawlings – Toronto, Ont. (Montgomery's)
- Amy Rosen – Toronto, Ont. (Rosen's Cinnamon Buns)
- David Rousseau – Calgary, Alta. (Ollia Macarons & Tea)
- Joanne Yolles – Toronto, Ont. (Teacher, Baking & Pastry Arts at George Brown College)

In each stand-alone episode of *Wall of Bakers*, host **Noah Cappe** (*Wall of Chefs*, *Carnival Eats*) leads four amateur bakers to face off in three rounds of sweet competition. In the first "Crowd-Pleaser" round, they prepare their own personal 'signature' desserts. In the second "Baker's Pantry" round, they are challenged to come up with a dessert using two ingredients that are staples in the pantry of one of the chefs on the Wall. In the third and final "Bakery-Worthy" round, the last two home bakers are inspired by a chef's signature confection to make their own bakery-worthy creation.

Throughout the season, the determined batch of bakers will push their pastry talents to the limit as they are tasked with using mandatory ingredients and pairings such as tahini and dark chocolate, black sesame paste and bananas, apple butter and rosemary and more. Each episode also incorporates themes to inspire creativity in their baked goods including re-inventing a classic dessert, carnival treats, spiced infusions and experiments with flavour combinations.

Foodnetwork.ca offers exclusive *Wall of Bakers* content, including a closer look at the cast of pastry chefs from across the country, inspiring recipes and more.

Wall of Bakers is produced by Insight Productions (a Boat Rocker Company) in association with Corus Studios for Food Network Canada. Executive Producers are John Brunton and Eric Abboud and Series Producer is Erica Lenczner. For Corus Studios and Food Network Canada, Marni Goldman is Executive in

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