



# TOP CHEF CANADA UNVEILS ITS ILLUSTRIOUS LINEUP OF SEASON 11 COMPETITORS

The Series Returns Monday, October 14 at 10 p.m. ET/PT on Food Network Canada and Streaming on STACKTV



Top Chef Canada's Season 11 competitors. Image courtesy of Food Network Canada. L to R: Rémi Lemieux, Alexander Fields, Miriam Echeverria, Moira Murray, Christina Khan, Shane Chartrand, Lisa Ahier, Haan Palcu-Chang, Ruby Gatt, Chanthy Yen

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**TORONTO, September 3, 2024** – <u>Top Chef Canada</u>, the nation's most revered culinary competition, returns for a momentous 11<sup>th</sup> season, ready to show viewers that Canada's culinary scene has taken its rightful place on the world stage. The season boasts an illustrious lineup of competing chefs, an esteemed panel of returning judges and big-name guests. *Top Chef Canada*, a Top 10 specialty entertainment program\*, returns for Season 11 beginning **Monday, October 14 at 10 p.m. ET/PT** on <u>Food Network Canada</u> and streaming on <u>STACKTV</u>.

Top Chef Canada welcomes back chef, cookbook author, and longtime series host, **Eden Grinshpan**, along with an esteemed panel of returning judges: Chef, fermenter and author **David Zilber**, powerhouse restaurateur **Janet Zuccarini**, chef and owner of The McEwan Group, **Mark McEwan**, and content creator and global food expert **Mijune Pak**.

For over a decade, *Top Chef Canada* has given fans a front-row seat to the country's ever-evolving culinary scene. With 10 *Top Chef Canada* champions making their mark across the nation and the world, and the recent Michelin certifications in Toronto and Vancouver, it's clear that Canada's culinary scene has arrived on the world stage. Now it is time to usher in a new era, with 10 new skilled, creative, and boundary-pushing chefs ready to compete for the title of Canada's Top Chef. Season 11's standout lineup of competitors includes:





- Lisa Ahier 63, Tofino, B.C. (Formerly Sobo Restaurant)
- Shane Chartrand 48, Edmonton, Alta. (Formerly Banff Hospitality Collective)
- Miriam Echeverria 42, Algonquin Highlands, Ont. (Dimensions)
- Alexander Fields 32, Etobicoke, Ont. (Rhyz)
- Ruby Gatt 32, Montréal, Que. (Bar L'idéal)
- Christina Khan 31, Toronto, Ont. (La Palma)
- Rémi Lemieux 30, Montréal, Que. (Formerly Nomi)
- Moira Murray 35, Halifax, N.S. (Peacock Wine Bar)
- Haan Palcu-Chang 39, Salt Springs Island, B.C. (Mama Flo's)
- Chanthy Yen 35, Vancouver, B.C. (Bacaro)

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During this season's fast-paced challenges, Michelin Star chefs, culinary icons and notable personalities join the *Top Chef Canada* judging panel as guest judges and tasters. This includes Andy Baraghani (New York Times Bestseller and James Beard Award Winner), Andrea Carlson (chef/owner, One Star Michelin restaurant Burdock & Co – Vancouver), Kristen Kish (*Top Chef* host and chef/partner, Arlo Grey - Austin, TX), Sarah Nurse (Olympic and World Champion, PWHL player), Gail Simmons (*Top Chef* judge), Patrick Kris (chef/owner of One Star Michelin restaurants Alo and Alobar Yorkville – Toronto), Frédéric Morin (coowner and co-founder, Joe Beef Group), Antonio Park (chef/restauranter), Rob Rossi (chef/partner, One Star Michelin restaurant Osteria Giulia and Bib Gourmand recognized Giulietta), Tre Sanderson (*Top Chef Canada*, Season 10 winner), and many more. A full list is available here.

Visit <u>foodnetwork.ca</u> for an exclusive look at the upcoming 11th season and companion content including full chef bios, behind-the-scenes content with the hosts and judges, and more.

Top Chef Canada is the homegrown version of the hit Emmy® Award-winning NBCUniversal Series Top Chef and is produced by Insight Productions (a Boat Rocker company) in association with Food Network Canada. Eric Abboud is Executive Producer and Showrunner along with Insight's CEO & Executive Producer John Brunton and Executive Producer Mark Lysakowski. Co-Executive Producers for Insight Productions are Jessica Brunton and Daniel Klimitz. For Food Network Canada, Lynne Carter is Director of Original Programming and Rachel Nelson is Vice President of Original Programming and Head of Corus Studios.

\*Source: Numeris PPM Data, Total Canada, FL22 (Aug29/22-Jan1/23), 3+ airings, AMA(000), A25-54, CDN SPEC COM ENG excluding sports stations

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