

Here's to the exquisite art and persevering heart of the year's most creative chefs.

Plate's Chefs to Watch, the annual release of new culinary innovators, now in its sixth year, has captured the devotion of both readers and advertisers who want to know those chefs.

Sleuthing across the country's restaurant landscape, our tenacious editors are the first to find and fete these rising stars.

Join us when we present the 2020 Chefs to Watch. We will showcase chefs who are blending their diverse stories with rare talent and raw determination.

Advertise in the November/December "Chefs to Watch" issue!

Leverage this opportunity to showcase your products alongside the stories, recipes and captivating photography of this year's class. Work with our custom content team to elevate your brand and product story and gain chef engagement.

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What makes Chefs to Watch a must-read?

Food culture, personalities, recipes and chef stories make Chefs to Watch a must-read.

Plate emphasizes the individual stories of chefs like no other brand in the foodservice industry. Here, chefs are celebrities—and that's the key to building reader affinity.

As we share their personal passions, their cultural imprints, their goals and unique methods, our readers discover inspiration for their own creative pursuits. This phenomenon within Plate's community—coast to coast and beyond—binds chefs to our brand in deeper and stronger ways.





"You have to not just love it; you have to love it from the depths of your soul. And you also have to love the restaurant business, because it's hard. It's not easy."

Anthony Lombardo, SheWolf, Detroit

"My focus has always been on the food and showcasing the Cambodian culture. I'm grateful for the attention, but I try not to let it distract me from what I'm trying to do."

-Nite Yun, Nayum Bai, Oakland, Calif.



Who are the Chefs to Watch?

Through our Chefs to Watch voices, we see how closely their personal journeys are intertwined with the food they create.

What they're bringing to the table is a harmony of heritage and bold individuality. With great care and attention, they craft delicious dishes with unexpected ingredients. Led by the joy of creating happiness with food and driven by the courage to achieve their ambitions, our chefs are influential artists quietly but indelibly changing the world one plate at a time.

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4 reasons why you should you advertise in Plate's Chefs to Watch

Reason #1: Your Brand Is Broadcasted

Prior to release, we deploy a major campaign through e-blasts and promotions via web and print—to build anticipation among readers. As an advertiser, your logo will appear in our promotional efforts.

Reason #2: Social Explosion

The build-up and release of the 2020 Chefs to Watch dramatically increases social media traffic as readers engage with exciting content they're compelled to share.

Reason #3: People Read About People

Chefs to Watch is all about a talented group of people, their passion and experiences, their art and insights.

Reason #4: Tell Your Story

Let us create a customized piece that engages our readers with your brand and its benefits. Whether it's a single or spread advertorial, recipe cards, or a multiple page supplement, this is your chance to be front and center with your impact piece deployed across our print and digital editions and online. Choose from current offerings or suggest something new.

Custom Content Ideas to Make Your Own

- Spread or page custom content profiling innovative chefs and uses of your product
- Spread or page custom content featuring culinary trends that align with your products
- Recipe cards featuring creative applications of your products
- Infographic: Ideas to boost chef creativity
- Multiple page supplement highlighting innovative technology trends or time-saving solutions for chefs

Exclusive Sponsorship Opportunities

Target chefs by sponsoring these exclusive editorial sections within the Chefs to Watch issue:

- Q&A Outtakes with Plate's Chefs to Watch in a high-profile gatefold format
- Plate's Chefs to Watch Then and Now: a look at what past Chefs to Watch are doing today.

"We want to keep pushing to meet the high expectations people have when they come to Vianda. At the same time, I think we're setting the bar for the dining experience in Puerto Rico."

> –Francis Guzman, Vianda, San Juan, Puerto Rico







"Whenever I have stress, I run to the restaurant. I get joy from making people happy. Seeing them eat my food and enjoy it gives me positive energy."

-Keith Corbin, Alta Adams, Los Angeles



Contact your Plate rep to position your brand among this year's Chefs to Watch

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Loryn Nalic Balkan Treat Box St. Louis

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Chefs to Watch Class of 2019

Pictured left: Chris Morgan (left) and Gerald Addison are co-chefs at Middle Eastern Maydan and street-food focused Compass Rose restaurants in Washington, D.C.

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