



### **Applications now open for the Marlborough Home Chef Cook-Off Series!**

Are you an amazing home cook that your friends and family tell you all the time that you have what it takes to be a professional? Then we've got an amazing opportunity for you.

We are calling out for New Zealand's best home cooks to apply for the competition that's run in the culinary pavilion during the 2019 Marlborough Wine and Food Festival. We're looking for four game home cooks to pair up with a professional chef and compete by cooking off using the same ingredients, same equipment, both live and on stage within 45 mins at the New World Culinary Pavilion! Each will be given a mystery box provided by New World Blenheim using amazing local Marlborough produce and competition for the ultimate title, the Marlborough Wine and Food Festival New World Culinary Pavilion Chef of the Year! Keen to learn more? Read below;

### **Need to know more about the process? No worries**

1. Applications open 1<sup>st</sup> October via the following link
2. Finalists will be shortlisted and application close 9.11.18
3. Four finalists will be announced during the programme launch 15.11.18 (finalists will be asked to join the organisers in Marlborough for a party programme announcement)
4. An MC and professional chef will be announced prior to the festival

### **On the day, what's going to happen?**

1. Each home cooks and professional chefs will be paired up and given an allocated 45min time to compete on stage in the culinary pavilion (exact timings will be communicated prior to the festival day)
2. At the start of each session, the MC will introduce the home cook and professional chef
3. The home cook will be given a 10min advantage to see what's under the New World mystery box full of Marlborough ingredients to cook with
4. During that time, when the home cook is out the back, the professional chef will be interviewed on stage by the MC
5. The home cook and chef will each have the same equipment and produce to cook with
6. Mystery box will be revealed by the MC on stage for the chef and audience to see
7. Clock starts and each person will have 45mins to produce a dish using the mystery ingredients
8. One professional judge will vote on the dish produced by each person

9. People's choice (by a show of hands) will also count in the overall score
10. A winner will be announced and crowned the winner

#### **Terms and conditions for the Marlborough Home Chef Cook-Off Series**

1. Applicants need to be New Zealand citizens or a permanent resident
2. By applying, you agree to having your photograph and video taken during the entire duration of the festival cook off with full usage for promotional activity in future years
3. Pictures and content contained and taken by the festival organisers is the property of Wine Marlborough Ltd and may be used for any purpose and with no expiry unless otherwise stated
4. If successful, you agree to follow all instructions and procedures that are given to you by the festival organisers and culinary pavilion staff
5. The competition is only open to those who are 'home cooks' and not eligible to professional chefs or any cooks who are in the hospitality industry, published authors etc
6. Cancellation; by agreeing to the terms and conditions you make yourself available for the day of the competition, the festival accepts zero tolerance for cancellations on the day or prior once the announcement has been made of the four home cooks
7. Only applicants who are over 18 years old will be able to enter and ID will be requested before the competition announcement of the four finalists
8. The event organisers take no responsibility or any liability should you or other parties injure themselves whilst on site or during the cook-off. Steps will be taken and a briefing will be held to make sure you understand what's involved before the competition commences
9. The festival organisers have the right, without notice to refuse entry, or eject, any person whose behaviour does not comply with the rules and regulations set forth by the venue and/or promoter.
10. No alcohol will be consumed before or during the competition if the applicant is successful
11. The festival organisers reserves the right to withdraw, replace, add or substitute artists or performers without notice.
12. Prizes given to the overall winner are final and are to be used within 12 months of the festival date, no negotiation or cash equivalent discussions will be entered into with the festival organisers.
13. By entering the competition, you are encouraged to share and encourage others to enter and only talk about the festival and competition in a positive manner
14. These terms and conditions may be subject to change at any time, with or without notification by the festival organisers, Wine Marlborough Ltd.