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Chefs chosen for Culinary Team Canada Sights set on World Culinary Olympics

Edmonton, Alberta: The six chefs, who will represent Canada at the 2010 Expogast Culinary World Cup in Luxembourg, met for the first time as Culinary Team Canada on March 13, 2010, in Edmonton.

“The challenge after tryouts was not just picking the best chefs, but picking the best chefs who could come together as a *team* — a winning combination — and earn Canada another world culinary championship,” says Business Manager Simon Smotkowicz. “Based on our first team meeting, we’ve got that.”

The chefs of Culinary Team Canada for the 2012 World Culinary Olympics are:

Captain	Brad Horen, Inn at Laurel Point, Victoria BC
Chef Members	Poyan Danesh, Corporate Classics Caterers, Vancouver BC Peter Dewar, Nova Scotia Community College, Halifax NS Patrick Gayler, Inn at Laurel Point, Victoria BC Dave Ryan, Vancouver Community College, Vancouver BC
Pastry Chef	James Holehouse, Shaw Conference Centre, Edmonton AB
Assistant Manager	Vinod Varshney, Northern Alberta Institute of Technology, Edmonton AB
Alternate Members	Roger Andrews, College of the North Atlantic, St. John’s NL Scott Ards, The Royal Glenora Club, Edmonton AB Jeffery Young, The Westin Resort & Spa, Whistler BC
Support Member	Restituto Mendoza, Pinebrook Golf and Country Club, Calgary AB
Team Coaches	Clayton Folkers, Northern Alberta Institute of Technology, Edmonton AB Bruno Marti, La Belle Auberge Restaurant, Ladner BC Judson Simpson, House of Commons, Ottawa ON Fred Zimmerman, retired Chef de Cuisine, Calgary AB

Before the practicing and perfecting of competition menus comes the planning — which got off to a successful and exciting start at Culinary Team Canada’s first meeting. “The creative talent, solid culinary training, diverse professional experience and passionate drive of these chefs makes them push for the best from themselves and each other,” says Smotkowicz. “Add the vision and focus they’re creating together, and Canada has a world-class team heading to the Culinary Olympics.”

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