

MEDIA ALERT

STOVE BURNERS ON! CHEF KNIVES OUT!

STAR-STUDDED LINEUP OF CELEBRITY CHEFS JOIN FORCES WITH HOME COOK FUNDRAISERS FOR THE CULINARY SHOWDOWN TROPHY IN SUPPORT OF UHN'S WEST PARK HEALTHCARE CENTRE

Chefs Mark McEwen, Alvin Leung, Antonio Park, Nicole Gomes & Claudio Aprile compete for culinary supremacy – and a great cause

For immediate release:

- WHAT: Canada's top culinary talents get ready to heat things up at the second annual <u>West Park</u> <u>Foundation Culinary Showdown</u>. Top chefs and fundraising foodies attempt to out-cook one another in a 3-course team competition where they race against the clock to culinary excellence.
- WHEN: Saturday, November 2, 2024 Competition starts at 7 pm – 11 pm
- WHERE:Beanfield Centre at Exhibition Place, 105 Princes' Blvd, Toronto
- WHO:Chefs Alvin Leung, Mark McEwan, Claudio Aprile, Antonio Park & Nicole Gomes, emcee BradSmith and amputee and stroke survivor, Patty De Guia
- **EVENT:** This full-day event covers everything from knife skills, tricks of the trade and the competition itself. Schedule is as follows:

*Celebrity Chef School, 10:30 am – 3 pm: chefs teach their fundraising foodies the culinary tricks of the trade including knife skills, cooking methods and food prep – prior to the big competition.

*Culinary Showdown, 7 pm – 11 pm: the burners turn on and the knives come out as the Chefs work alongside the fundraising foodies, developing three different courses to impress the panel of judges.

About UHN's West Park Healthcare Centre & The Culinary Showdown

UHN's West Park Healthcare Centre is a national leader in rehabilitation and complex continuing care, located in west Toronto. We help people recover from life-altering illness or injury, regain their independence and get back to their lives. Now in its second year, The Culinary Showdown raises funds for the <u>West Park Foundation's</u> <u>Get Your Life Back Campaign</u>, to support West Park's ongoing campus redevelopment, high-quality patient care and leading-edge research.

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