



## **Spring Baking Championship** *Host and Judges Bios (2015)*

### **Bobby Deen**

Bobby Deen has hosted his own series on Cooking Channel, *Not My Mama's Meals*, reworking the recipes of classic comfort foods to be lighter, leaner and just as delicious, and will soon launch Food Network's upcoming *Holiday Baking Championship*. Over the years, Bobby, together with his brother, have published four books: *The Deen Bros. Cookbook-Recipes From The Road, Y'all Come Eat, Take It Easy, and Get Fired Up*. In 2013, Bobby authored his own cookbook entitled, *From Mama's Table to Mine*, which was #1 on *The New York Times* Best Seller List. He recently released his second cookbook, *Everyday Eats*.

### **Duff Goldman**

Chef Duff Goldman founded his Baltimore based bakery, Charm City Cakes, after discovering the time demands from his day job in the kitchen were not allowing him the freedom to try his hand at a new career: playing bass as a working musician in a rock band. Food Network then tapped Duff and his staff to star in *Ace of Cakes*. Duff recently hosted *Duff Till Dawn* and *Kids Baking Championship*, and has also appeared in the Food Network series *Holiday Baking Championship* and has been featured in episodes of *the Best Thing I Ever Ate*, *Iron Chef America*, *The Next Food Network Star*, *Diners, Drive-Ins and Drives*, *Cupcake Wars*, *Chopped*. In 2011, Duff was nominated for two James Beard Foundation awards for Best TV Food Personality/Host and Best Television Program. In addition to owning and operating Charm City Cakes and Duff's Cake Mix, Duff is also a sculptor, artist, and musician, and has an affinity for wearing his signature hockey jerseys.

### **Nancy Fuller**

Nancy Fuller is the host of Food Network's *Farmhouse Rules*, loving mother of six and grandmother to 13, and the owner of Ginsberg's Foods, a multimillion-dollar business she runs with her husband. Nancy lives in an authentic 17th-century farmhouse on beautiful, rolling land in New York's Hudson Valley region. Being on a farm, Nancy's food and recipes represent her surroundings and her philosophy of feeding others with delicious, simple meals from the heart. Nancy recently appeared as a judge on Food Network's *Holiday Baking Championship*.

### **Lorraine Pascale**

Lorraine is best known for her string of hit TV series, which include BBC 2's *Baking Made Easy*, *Home Cooking Made Easy*, and Cooking Channel's *Fresh, Fast and Easy Food*. Each program has been accompanied by an internationally best-selling book of the same title. Most recently, she appeared as a judge on Food Network's *Holiday Baking Championship*. In 2013, she published her first non-TV tie-in cookbook, *A Lighter Way to Bake*. In addition to her TV series and books, Lorraine recently made a documentary, *Fostering & Me*, in which she looked at her own experience of being fostered as a child and the experiences of foster children. Prior to her cooking career, Lorraine was a top model. After giving up modeling, she experimented with other careers, including becoming a trained hypnotherapist, interior designer and mechanic, before attending the Leith's School of Food and Wine.

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