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## **FOOD NETWORK STAR: COMEBACK KITCHEN** *(2017) Episode Descriptions*

### **Premiering Sunday, May 21<sup>st</sup> at 8pm ET/PT – PREMIERE!**

#### **"A Fresh Star(t)"**

Seven former finalists return for a second shot at stardom. Co-hosts Valerie Bertinelli and Tyler Florence kick off the proceedings by identifying what kept each of the alumni from prevailing in their previous season. Then, the competitors must each take on a retro dessert in desperate need of a comeback and shoot an Instagram video about their updated version. Duff Goldman joins Valerie and Tyler to help judge the results, with one contestant eliminated from the competition.

### **Premiering Sunday, May 28<sup>th</sup> at 8pm ET/PT**

#### **"Dinners of the Decades"**

For the Mentor Challenge, the six remaining competitors each take on a forgotten pantry ingredient and perform a live web stream, demonstrating how they used their ingredient in a creative and modern way. For the Star Challenge the finalists go head-to-head, traveling back in time to a past decade and working with tools of that era to create a decade-appropriate dish. After each competitor presents their dish to co-hosts Valerie Bertinelli and Tyler Florence, another competitor is sent packing.

### **Premiering Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup> at 8pm ET/PT – FINALE!**

#### **"Passing the Bar"**

The final five competitors hack a classic salad bar, harvesting ingredients to create a dish while telling the entire tale in an Instagram Story. One competitor is sent home based on the results. For the final challenge, the remaining four hopefuls battle it out for the coveted spot as the 13<sup>th</sup> finalist on the new season of *Food Network Star*. Each of them must create their own dinner party and a video invitation to attract potential dinner guests. Co-hosts Valerie Bertinelli and Tyler Florence attend each dinner party and determine the ultimate winner.

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