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Holiday Baking Championship

Host and Judges Bios (2016)

Bobby Deen

Bobby Deen is host of Food Network's *Holiday Baking Championship*, co-host of Cooking Channel's *Junk Food Flip*, and was host of *Not My Mama's Meals* on Cooking Channel in which he reworked the recipes of classic comfort foods to be lighter, leaner and just as delicious. 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 and was followed by *Everyday Eats* in 2014.

Duff Goldman

Duff Goldman graduated from the University of Maryland, Baltimore County with degrees in history and philosophy. He then went on to study at the Culinary Institute of America at Greystone, and from there went on to work at several acclaimed culinary destinations, including French Laundry, Vail Cascade Hotel, and Todd English's Olives before returning to Baltimore in 2000 to become a personal chef. In March 2002, he opened Charm City Cakes, and it soon became a household name on Food Network's series *Ace of Cakes*, which aired for 10 seasons. In 2011, Duff was nominated for two James Beard Foundation awards for Best TV Food Personality/Host and Best Television Program. He published his first cookbook book in 2015 entitled, *Duff Bakes: Think and Bake Like a Pro at Home*. In addition to owning and operating Charm City Cakes, Charm City Cakes West and Duff's Cake Mix, Duff is also a sculptor, artist, and musician, and has an affinity for wearing his signature hockey jerseys.

Duff serves as a judge on Food Network's Holiday Baking Championship and Spring Baking Championship, and is also the co-host of Kids Baking Championship and the forthcoming series Worst Bakers in America.

Nancy Fuller

Nancy Fuller got her start as the host of Food Network's *Farmhouse Rules*, where she cooks wholesome, simple meals from the heart of her home- the kitchen of her authentic 17th-century farmhouse on beautiful, rolling land in New York's Hudson Valley. Nancy can also be seen as a judge on Food Network's *Holiday Baking Championship*, *Spring Baking Championship*, and *Clash of the Grandmas*. As a loving mother of six and grandmother to 13, Nancy is not a stranger to supplying food in large quantities as she is also the owner of Ginsberg's Foods, a multimillion-dollar food distributor business that she runs with her husband.

Lorraine Pascale

Lorraine Pascale 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*. She currently serves as a judge on Food Network's *Holiday Baking Championship*, *Spring Baking Championship*, and the forthcoming series *Worst Bakers in America*. In addition to her TV series, she has authored 6 best-selling books and 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 the birth of her daughter, she experimented with other careers, including becoming a trained hypnotherapist, interior designer and mechanic, before attending the Leith's School of Food and Wine.