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### PRESS RELEASE

#### **Jim Cuddy, Barney Bentall and Danny Michel to Headline Gold Medal Plates Halifax**

*Halifax, N.S.* – Gold Medal Plates is the ultimate celebration of Canadian excellence in cuisine, wine, entertainment and athletic achievement. On October 16, 2014, nine local chefs will compete in the Gold Medal Plates Halifax competition. Held at the Cunard Centre, the chefs will create their most innovative dishes and the winner of the Halifax competition will participate in the final, nation-wide, Canadian Culinary Championships in Kelowna, B.C. in February 2015.

Competing chefs for the 2014 competition in Halifax include:

**Ray Bear**, Saeger Bistro & Scanway Catering (Halifax)  
**Craig Flinn**, Chives Canadian Bistro & 2 Doors Down (Halifax)  
**Mark Gray**, Brooklyn Warehouse (Halifax)  
**Renée Lavallée**, The Canteen (Dartmouth)  
**Jason Lynch**, Le Caveau Restaurant (Grand Pré)  
**Dave Smart**, Front & Central (Wolfville)  
**Jamie Smye**, Privet House Restaurant (Wolfville)  
**Terry Vassallo**, Café Chianti (Halifax)  
**Tracy Wallace**, Cabot Links Resort (Inverness)

“What gets me pumped up about events like this is that we are building support and opportunities for local athletes who are on the road to Olympic medals,” says co-chair Mathew Harris, Managing Partner Atlantic Deloitte. “With nine local chefs, 19 Olympians and the entertainment of Jim Cuddy, Barney Bentall and Danny Michel, we’re showcasing the best of Nova Scotia and the best of Canada...our community coming together to help raise money and awareness for Canadian athletes representing us on the international stage.”

Net proceeds from Gold Medal Plates are given to the Canadian Olympic Foundation which supports Olympic athletes and high performance programs. Since its inception, Gold Medal Plates competitions across Canada have raised more than \$8.2 million for the Canadian Olympic Foundation.

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### **Gold Medal Plates Halifax, Add 1 -**

Gold Medal Plates Halifax will feature spectacular auction items, such as getaways with Olympians and Canadian entertainers to locations like Tuscany, New Zealand, Scotland as well as Kelowna for the Canadian Gold Medal Plates finals.

To purchase tickets for the 2014 Gold Medal Plates Halifax, contact Brenda at [Halifax@goldmedalplates.com](mailto:Halifax@goldmedalplates.com), 902-492-9291, ext 114 or visit [www.goldmedalplates.com](http://www.goldmedalplates.com).

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### **About Gold Medal Plates**

Gold Medal Plates is the ultimate celebration of Canadian Excellence in cuisine, wine, entertainment and athletic achievement. Celebrating in 11 cities across Canada in 2014, Gold Medal Plates features superb Canadian wines, premier chefs and Canadian Olympic athletes, in a competition to crown a gold, silver and bronze medal culinary team in each city, and subsequently nation-wide. Since 2004, this event has received tremendous support and accolades all across Canada and generated a combined net total of over \$8.2 million for Canada's Olympic athletes. [www.goldmedalplates.com](http://www.goldmedalplates.com).

### **About Canadian Olympic Foundation – The Beneficiary of the events**

The Canadian Olympic Foundation is a national charitable organization created by the Canadian Olympic Committee (COC) supporting high performance athletes across all winter and summer sports. The Foundation's Mission is to generate support to meet the technical, scientific, medical and coaching needs of Canada's high performance sport system and assist Canada's athletes in becoming ambassadors for sport, healthy living and the pursuit of excellence across the nation. Net proceeds from Gold Medal Plates are given to the Canadian Olympic Foundation to support high performance programs such as Own the Podium. [www.olympicfoundation.ca](http://www.olympicfoundation.ca).