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GOLD MEDAL PLATES REGINA SAVE THE DATE

2015 Chefs Announced and The Mosaic Company Sponsors Gold Medal Plates for \$50,000!

REGINA – This year's Gold Medal Plates (GMP), Canada's most anticipated culinary championship, will be held at the Conexus Arts Centre, Friday, October 23rd, 2015 in Regina, Saskatchewan.

Nine of Regina's brightest and most talented chefs will be competing in the 2015 edition of the Olympic fundraising event, with the return of last year's silver medalist, Leo Pantel of the Conexus Arts Centre and bronze medalist, Geoffrey Caswell-Murphy of DoubleTree by Hilton.

Last year's gold medalist, Milton Rebello of the Wascana Golf & Country Club offered guests and judges his exceptional entrée of 'Pork Belly Inside Out' that stole the show and garnered him the Regina 2014 competition winner. He will be returning as a judge of the competition in celebration of Canadian Excellence in cuisine, wine, the arts and athletic achievement.

We are excited to announce a few newcomers to this exciting culinary competition! The nine participating Chefs at the Regina 2015 Gold Medal Plates event are:

Geoffrey Caswell-Murphy – DoubleTree by Hilton
Lloyd Frank – Rock Creek Tap & Grill
Sean Hale – Victoria's Tavern
Leo Pantel – Conexus Arts Centre
Johnathan Thauberger – Crave Kitchen & Wine Bar
Ricardo Rodriguez – Table 10



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David Straub – Flip Eatery & Drink
Fumito Itoh – Enso Sushi and Japanese Cuisine
Michael Zeck – Queensbury Convention Centre Evraz Place

“Regina has so many talented chefs in this years’ event”, says GMP Regina Co-Chair Wayne Morsky. “It will guarantee to be a lively, competitive showcase of unique creations. And we are fortunate again to have The Mosaic Company supporting our athletes with their generous sponsorship.”

Gold Medal Plates has raised over 9.5 million for Olympic Athletes. And this year, The Mosaic Company announced a \$50,000 sponsorship to Gold Medal Plates to continue its support of Canadian Olympic athletes. The sponsorship goes towards funds dispersed for Own the Podium, an initiative that helps Canadian athletes in the top 10 - helping with nutrition, sports psychology, coaching and access to new equipment - so they can compete at the world level.

Sarah Fedorchuk, Director of Public Affairs for The Mosaic Company says, “What these athletes stand for is passion, excellence, drive and determination. They are representing our country at these Olympic games and The Mosaic Company is happy to support them.”

The Mosaic Company is one of the world's leading producers and marketers of concentrated potash and phosphate crop nutrients. Mosaic is a single-source provider of potash and phosphate fertilizers and feed ingredients for the global agriculture industry. Their generous sponsorship of Gold Medal Plates will do much to support high performance athletes.

“We believe this event will sell out very quickly just as the previous years,” said GMP Regina Co-Chair Wayne Morsky, “People should attend this event firstly to support our developing Olympic athletes, secondly to support and experience the amazing cuisines our chefs prepare and thirdly, to have the opportunity to bid on unique travel experiences.”

About Gold Medal Plates

Gold Medal Plates is the ultimate celebration of Canadian Excellence in cuisine, wine, the arts and athletic achievement. Celebrated in eleven cities across Canada, Gold Medal Plates features the premier chefs in each city in a competition to crown a gold, silver and bronze medal culinary team in each city, and subsequently nation-wide at the Canadian Culinary Championships.

Founded in 2003, the goal of Gold Medal Plates is to raise substantial funds for Canada’s high performance athletes, while celebrating Canadian excellence. Since 2004, Gold Medal Plates has received tremendous support and accolades all across Canada, and generated a



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combined net total of over \$9.5 million for Canada's Olympic athletes! Gold Medal Plates is supported by corporate partners and individuals from across Canada who are committed to Canadian Excellence and supporting Canadian athletes.

In February, the top 8-10 chefs from each city or region are selected by a national and regional panel of judges and they then compete in the fall for the honour of being the regional Gold Medal Plates champion. During the Gold Medal Plates project over 100+ competing chefs create their ultimate dish and pair it with a premier Canadian wine, spirit or beer. A team of food and wine critics from each region work with national critics to determine the top three winning creations and then a gold, silver and bronze medal winning chef is crowned. To be invited to compete is a notch in the belt. To win the gold is a major achievement! The gold medal winning chef goes on to compete at the Gold Medal Plates Finale – The Canadian Culinary Championship – in Kelowna, British Columbia to be crowned the top chef in Canada is a career changer.

Those interested in sponsorship opportunities or wishing to purchase tickets for the Regina event on Friday, October 23rd may do so by contacting Lisa Peters at 306-539-5339 or by email at regina@goldmedalplates.com.

Event information can also be found:
Official Website: www.regina.goldmedalplates.com
Official Twitter: @GoldMedalPlates
Official Hashtag: #GMP2015

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