



**UBUD
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12-14 MAY 2017



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Come and get it! Ubud Food Festival lineup and tickets are on the table!

Ubud, INDONESIA –

More than 100 chefs, culinary icons, restaurateurs, environmental advocates and social innovators will descend on Bali this 12–14 May for the third Ubud Food Festival (UFF), which today releases its full lineup and range of ticketed events for 2017.

Headlining this year's international guests are **Chele González** of **Gallery VASK** – the Philippines' only entrant on Asia's 50 Best Restaurants in 2017, chef and author **Joannès Rivière** of Cambodia's coveted **Cuisine Wat Damnak**, and Sicilian-born, award-winning chef owner of Singapore's **Gattopardo Ristorante di Mare** and Sydney's **Olio**, **Lino Sauro**.

They'll be joined by **Manjunath Mural** of Singapore's Michelin-starred **The Song of India**, **Robuchon Bangkok Group's** Executive Pastry Chef, Belgian **Yannis J. Janssens**, the 'Anthropologist in the Kitchen', Taiwanese chef and writer **Tzu-i Chuang Mullinax**, one of Peru's most revered chefs, **Eduardo Montes**, and **Bo Songvisava** and **Dylan Jones** of Bangkok's coveted **Bo.lan** restaurant (no. 19 on Asia's 50 Best Restaurants).

Showcasing the best of contemporary Indonesian cuisine, the UFF will bring together the nation's rising stars and culinary royalty, including Jakarta trendsetters **Karen Carlotta**, **Adhika Maxie** and **Fernando Sindu**, and **Ragil Imam Wibowo**, who is renowned for modernizing Indonesian cuisine.

Celebrated pastry chef **Kim Pangestu** will appear alongside Master Chef Indonesia judge **Rinrin Marinka** and celebrity chef **Farah Quinn**. The Queen of Indonesian cuisine, Ibu **Sisca Soewitomo**, will be joined by the father of Indonesian food writing, Pak **Bondan Winarno**, the world's foremost tempe expert **Professor Winarno** and eminent culinary diplomat **William Wongso**.

Through its host of Special Events, UFF showcases Bali's internationally-acclaimed dining destinations and the chefs behind them, including El Bulli-trained **Kevin Cherkas** of **Cuca**; **Mozaic** and **Spice's** French-meets-Balinese master chef **Chris Salans**; the Street Food Chef **Will Meyrick**; UFF Founder & Director **Janet DeNeeffe**; **Room4Dessert's** **Will Goldfarb**; **Penelope Williams** of **Bali Asli**; and **Eelke Plasmeijer** and the team behind **Locavore**, Indonesia's 'Best In-Country' at no. 22 on Asia's 50 Best Restaurants list.



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Across the three-day program, Festival-goers will experience the culinary diversity of the Indonesian archipelago. Pioneering chef and writer **Petty Elliott** will introduce audiences to modern Manadonese, foraged flavors from the Papuan highlands will be shared by The Jungle Chef **Charles Toto**, the distinctive Chinese-Indonesian cuisine of the Bangka Belitung Islands will be prepared by its leading specialist, **Eddrian Tjhia**, and a fusion of modern techniques and traditional Balinese cuisine will be brought to the table by **Made Lugra**. The world's first Indonesian certified plant-based cuisine chef, **Made Runatha** of **MOKSA** will be joined by colleague and sustainability advocate **Made Janur**.

At the Festival's free in-depth Think, Talk, Taste series, Indonesia's most pressing ecological and health concerns will be canvassed by advocates and innovators including indigenous food biodiversity frontrunner **Helianti Hilman**, Fair Trade Manager of Communities and Fisheries Foundation **Yasmine Simbolon**, lifestyle guru **Arimbi Nimpuno** and health coach **Sophie Navita**.

Honing the skills of avid food writers, photographers and Instagrammers, the Festival also plays host to a range of masterclasses led by the industry's best. With hit social media account **Warteg Gourmet**, gastronomic trailblazer **Dade Akbar** transforms Indonesian street food into haute cuisine. Joining him is culinary storyteller **Ade Putri Paramadita**, esteemed food writer, author and critic **Kevindra Soemantri**, commercial food photographer **Togi Panjaitan**, food historian and author **Fadly Rahman**, and the 'walking dictionary' of Indonesian street food, **Arie Parikesit**.

In the month leading up to and after the Festival, UFF hosts a feast of Fringe Events across Seminyak and Sanur's dining hotspots. From a long-table lunch focusing on Balinese palm sugar at Kaum to a four chef five-course collaboration at Bikini, the Fringe Events bring a taste of UFF down south.

"We're so excited to bringing together more than 100 speakers to dish up our third Ubud Food Festival program, which is rich in culinary heritage, innovation and, of course, taste!" said Founder & Director, Janet DeNeefe. "More than just good food, our program unites chefs and foodies alike for a whole-of-industry look at the food landscape – from the hard-working farmers and growers to our much-loved culinary icons, there is something to excite every appetite!"



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More Information

About the Festival:

- Ubud Food Festival runs from 12–14 May 2017 in Ubud, Bali, Indonesia.
- The three-day program spans a range of ticketed and free events, from cooking demonstrations, special events, workshops and food tours, to markets, film screenings, live music and in-depth forum discussions.
- Special events will take place before, during and after the Festival, at various locations across Ubud and Bali.
- A not-for-profit initiative, the Ubud Food Festival is underpinned by a mission of supporting Indonesia's vibrant and sustainable culinary and tourism industries.
- The full lineup and tickets are now available from the website.
- Visit www.ubudfoodfestival.com for key information on programming, ticketing, scheduling, location, FAQs and more.

Press Contact and Media Accreditation

For more information about the UFF and for interview requests, please contact our International Media Consultant, Julia Winterflood, at julia@yayasansaraswati.org or on +62 812 9942 7591.

Media Accreditation is now open. To apply, please complete the form at www.ubudfoodfestival.com/media-accreditation/.

Media Accreditation will be approved by 21 April.

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