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COME AND GET IT! UBUD FOOD FESTIVAL LINEUP AND TICKETS ARE ON THE TABLE

Ubud, INDONESIA –

Almost 100 chefs, restaurateurs, farmers, social entrepreneurs and outstanding innovators will descend on Bali this 13–15 April, 2018, for the fourth Ubud Food Festival Presented by ABC (UFF), which today announced its full lineup and selected ticketed programs. The Festival's coveted Special Events will be released on 16 February, followed by its expansive range of free events.

Welcoming speakers from across Asia and beyond, the UFF will plate up pioneering culinary insights and ideas and fearless flavors, all energized by the theme '**Generasi Inovasi**'. The theme is inspired by Indonesia's young, tech-savvy population, which is driving the nation's booming innovation economy and transforming the entire spectrum of the nation's food industry.

The UFF is thrilled to welcome Indonesian-born **Rydo Anton**, Head Chef of **Gaggan** in Bangkok. The first restaurant to maintain the top spot on the **Asia's 50 Best Restaurants** list for three consecutive years, at last year's **World's 50 Best** it came in at number seven. Chef Rydo will be collaborating with Ubud's hometown heroes Locavore for a Special Event serious foodies will not want to miss.

Along with Gaggan's two Michelin stars, this year's international guests are similarly sparkling. In Singapore, Korean Chef **Sun Kim's Meta** received its first last year, as did Australian Chef **Sam Aisbett's Whitegrass**, and Sri Lankan Chef **Rishi Naleendra's Cheek by Jowl**. Chef Rishi is the first Sri Lankan to receive Michelin status. They'll be joined by Chef **Jun Lee**, whose **Soigné** in Seoul was awarded one star in 2016 and 2017.

The accolades continue with Singaporean **Petrina Loh**, Chef-Owner of **Morsels**, Restaurant of the Year and Chef's Choice (Western) at the World Gourmet Summit Awards of Excellence in 2017, **Daniel Chavez**, Chef-Owner of acclaimed **OLA Cocina del Mar** and **TONO Cevicheria**, and Australian Chef **Ryan Squires**, whose **Esquire** in Queensland holds three Chef Hats.



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A strong contingent of innovative young chefs from Jakarta will be making its way to Ubud. It features pastry queen Chef **Kim Pangestu** of **Kimmy Patisserie** and **Nomz Kitchen & Pastry**, **Gloria Susindra** of **Mother Monster**, **Hans Christian**, Chef de Cuisine of **View Restaurant by Fairmont Jakarta**, **MasterChef Indonesia** judge **Rinrin Marinka**, and Chef **Andrian Ishak**, whose **Namaaz Dining** has been described as Indonesia's first molecular gastronomy restaurant.

They'll be joined by Indonesian fine dining pioneer Chef **Ragil Imam Wibowo** of **NUSA Indonesian Gastronomy**, culinary storyteller **Ade Putri Paramadita**, and respected food writer **Jed Doble**, publisher of Indonesia's leading English-language F&B publication, **FoodieS Magazine**. This year *FoodieS* launched the **Jakarta's Best Eats Awards and Guide**, and appearing at UFF will be the Award's **Best Chef**.

The Festival's theme 'Generasi Inovasi' is epitomized by speakers such as **David Christian**, Co-founder of **Evoware**, producing food packaging from biodegradable, chemical-free farmed seaweed, **Tissa Aunilla** of **Pipiltin Cocoa**, **Thor Yumna** of **TaniHub**, an agricultural app empowering farmers, **Helianti Hilman**, Founder of **JAVARA Indonesia**, and **Steven Kim**, Founder of **Qraved**, Indonesia's most popular food app.

As ever, UFF puts the best of Bali on the table. Among them are **Tri Sutrisna**, Manager of **Wanaprasta**, coffee aficionados **I Kadek Edi** and **Wayan Arca**, **Pengalaman Rasa's Gede** and **Ayu Gayatri Kresna**, **KAUM's Wayan Kresnayasa**, proud Balinese farmer **Kadek Suardika**, **Nusantara by Locavore's Putu Sumarjana**, the Street Food Chef **Will Meyrick**, and **Mejakawi by KU DE TA's Benjamin Cross** and **Stephen Moore**.

For a Special Event that proves why Bali now rubs shoulders with the world's top foodie hotspots, **Chris Salans (Mozaic)**, **Daniele Taddeo (GROW Bali)**, **Kevin Cherkas (Cuca)**, **Kieran Morland (Merah Putih)** and **Mandif Warokka (BLANCO par Mandif)** will present their signature dishes at **Best of Bali at Mozaic**.

In one of the Festival's most diverse collaborations, UFF Founder & Director **Janet DeNeefe** will be sharing her kitchen with the Jungle Chef **Charles Toto** from the Papuan highlands, and food activist and author **Dicky Senda** from West Timor, for a very special long table lunch spotlighting Indonesia's lesser known eastern regions.



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While this year's Festival looks to the future, those who paved the way for today's generation are also celebrated at UFF18. Among them are pioneering food writer **Petty Elliott**, **Amanda Niode** of the **Omar Niode Foundation**, and Queen of Indonesian cuisine, **Ibu Sisca Soewitomo**, who this year will collaborate with her daughter **Novia R Soewitomo**.

"We're so excited to bring together almost 100 speakers to dish up our fourth Ubud Food Festival," commented DeNeefe. "From the Balinese farmers to the app designers, the social entrepreneurs to the world class chefs, they all show the reason why the world should be paying attention to Indonesia's incredible creativity and ingenuity, and of course its fantastic food. We look forward to learning from these rising stars and culinary heroes with you in April, and feasting together too!"

More Information

- The three-day program from 13–15 April, 2018, 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 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 some event categories are now live on the website. Special Events will be live on 16 Feb, followed by the free events.
- Visit www.ubudfoodfestival.com for key information on programming, ticketing, scheduling, location, FAQs and more.

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