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WELCOME



Good evening guests, finalists and friends of the Quality Food, Awards, it's a pleasure to welcome you to the 2025 awards, event, bringing you our fresh new event format with a focus on networking, connecting and enjoying quality food and drink.

These awards are a celebration of the very best in UK food and drink; products that demonstrate not only the utmost mark of quality, but also the creativity, passion, and commitment that make this industry so special.

Tonight, we are here to celebrate the best in the business. Let this evening be filled with pride, connection, and inspiration as we honour those forging the path ahead.

Congratulations to all our finalists; your achievements are a credit to you, your teams, and the wider industry. To be shortlisted in another competitive year is no small feat.

Let's raise a toast to the vibrant future of our industry; have a great night.

ATMA HYETT

Brand Director, Quality Food Awards



It's a pleasure to welcome everyone to this year's Quality Food Awards and to see so many of our judges joining us once again.

The long-standing reputation of these awards rests on the rigour of our judging process and the expertise of our exceptional panel. Each judge gives their time and knowledge freely to help identify the very best products in every category, and their professionalism and commitment are the foundation of the QFAs' credibility and success.

We also extend sincere thanks to the talented kitchen teams who prepare every product exactly to its on-pack instructions; an often unseen but vital part of ensuring the integrity of our results.

Finally, congratulations to all our finalists. Reaching this stage is a tremendous achievement, and we wish you the very best of luck in your categories.

Have a great evening!

SIMON WRIGHT
Chair of Judges, Quality Food Awards



EVENT TIMINGS

18:30 **Drinks Reception** 19:05 **Opening Speech Awards Section 1: Foodservice** 19:15 19:30 **Awards Section 2: Meat, Fish and Dairy** 19:50 Awards Section 3: Store Cupboard, **Breakfast & Bakery and Ready to Cook** 20:10 Awards Section 4: Beverages, Snacking & Sweet Treats, Chilled & Frozen, Deli and **Vegan & Free From** 20:40 **Awards Section 5: Performance Awards** 20:50 **Networking & Entertainment** 23:00 **Carriages**

Take a look at our finalists here:

https://uk.qualityfoodawards.com/ QFA2025/en/page/2025-shortlist "Do you remember when tomatoes were full of flavour? So do we. That's why we grow Tesco Finest Rossafina tomatoes in our Essex greenhouses.

We are proud to be bringing back that true tomato taste."

Eduard, Glinwell Essex Growers



Rossafina tastes like tomatoes should.

FEATURED CATERING SHOWCASE

CANAPÉS

Crispy chicken, Winnie's Original Tropical Pineapple Jammin dip



Bruschetta bite with basil and Harmoinz Rossafina Tomatoes



BOWL FOOD

Lada Makes' Thai Chicken Massaman Curry



Shobhna's Organic Desi Ghee
Rosemary and Garlic Roast Potatoes



GRAZING SELECTION

Cheese Trike by Futura Foods



Winnie's Original Sweet Chilli Apple Sauce & Tropical Pineapple Jamin'



Peppadew chipotle crunch



BEVERAGE

Sicilian Lemon with Yuzu
Organic Cherry Cola





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FEATURED CATERING SHOWCASE

CANAPÉS

Zero waste hash beef croquettes & Padron pepper mayo
Carrot & onion pakora, coriander chutney (VG)
Pea & ricotta arancini, sweet pepper & basil dip (V)

BOWL FOOD

Teriyaki salmon, stir fried rice, chilli, ginger, lime & coriander

Roasted celeriac, durum wheat pasta, mushroom velouté & tarragon (VG)

Lada makes The Taste of Thailand

Curry paste made in Thailand

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RUNNING ORDER

AWARDS SECTION ONE:

FOODSERVICE

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- Bread and Morning Goods
- Cakes and Desserts
- Condiments and Dressings
- Dairy and Delicatessen
- Fish
- Fresh Produce
- Free From
- Party Food and Meal Accompaniments
- Meat
- Ready to Cook
- Soft Drinks
- Vegan Products and Alternatives

AWARDS SECTION TWO:

MEAT, FISH & DAIRY

Meat

- Bacon
- Beef
- Burgers and Meatballs
- Prepared Meat and Pork
- Sausages

Fish and Seafood

- Fish Fillets
- Prepared Fish
- Smoked Fish
- Shellfish and Seafood

Dairy

- Cheese
- Dairy

AWARDS SECTION THREE:

STORE CUPBOARD, BREAKFAST & BAKERY & READY TO COOK

Store Cupboard

- Cooking Sauces
- Store Cupboard Essentials
- Eggs
- Oils and Vinegars
- Pasta, Rice, Grains and Pulses
- Preserves and Sweet Spreads
- Relishes and Chutneys
- Condiments

Breakfast & Bakery

- Flatbreads, Pittas and Wraps
- Cakes
- Cereals & Porridge



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RUNNING ORDER

Ready to Cook

- Meal Accompaniments
- Meal Kits and Ready Meals
- Pizza
- Soup

AWARDS SECTION FOUR:

BEVERAGES, SNACKING &
SWEET TREATS, CHILLED &
FROZEN, DELI AND VEGAN &
FREE FROM

Beverages

- Hot Beverages
- Soft Drinks

Snacking & Sweet Treats

- Biscuits Sweet and Savoury
- Chocolate and Confectionery
- Snacks
- Desserts and Puddings
- Enhanced/Fortified Foods

Chilled and Frozen

- Salad
- Food to Go
- Ice Cream and Ice Lollies

Deli

- Deli Meat Items and Antipasti
- Quiches, Pies and Savoury Pastries

Dips and Vegetable Antipasti

Vegan & Free From

- Dairy Free
- Vegan Meal Options & Snacking
- Free From

AWARDS SECTION FIVE:

PERFORMANCE AWARDS

Innovation of the Year Sponsored by

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- Judge's Choice Award
- Small Producer of the Year
- Own Label Range of the Year
- Rising Star of the Year
- Supplier of the Year
- Foodservice Product of the Year
- Foodservice Operator of the Year
- Product of the Year
- Retailer of the Year





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MEET OUR JUDGES

Thank you to our 2025 judges who have worked tirelessly to award this year's Gold, Silver and Bronze winners!

Olivia Abrahmsohn

Tastebud Tickler

Shagufta Ahmed

PestoChampion

Chetanya Alexander

tickles pickles

Jill Arthur

JA Associates

Deena Ataie

Heriots Patisserie

Charles Banks

The Food People

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Dan Barron Consulting

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Caliendo's Gelato

Lilla Bessenyei

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Matt Harris

Pickle Project

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Simon Howlett

Shepherd Neame

MEET OUR JUDGES

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Rivertribe Magazine

Pete Johnson

Independent Brand Consultant

Steve Lee

Steve Lee Studios

Ellen Lunney

Gousto

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Moving Food

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Dee Patel

HPC

Ekta Patel

Consultant Food Scientist

Jeremy Petersen-Medley

Greencore

Kateline Porritt

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City Harvest

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Richer Foods

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JJ Foodservice

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Sharp Consulting

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CELEBRATING WOMEN ACROSS THE FOOD AND DRINK SECTOR, INSPIRING THE NEXT GENERATION

Part of The Qs family, the Women in Food and Drink Awards aims to celebrate the outstanding achievements of women across UK and Ireland's food and drink sector. These awards recognise the remarkable contributions of women across all job functions and levels within the food and beverage supply chain and aim to spotlight those who are shaping the industry and future of a more diverse and inclusive sector.

NOMINATIONS OPEN

If you are someone, or know someone who is dedicated to championing gender balance and creating a more diverse and inclusive industry, now is the time to submit one or more nominations.

FIND OUT MORE

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Congratulations to all our 2025 finalists and winners! We look forward to seeing you again next year.