The UK's Premier Young Chefs Competition







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WELCOME



from the Chairman of the Judges

As another year draws to a close, its time to start looking forward to what I'm sure will be another fantastic Major Series. Being a part of this competition is something I never get tired of and it's great to see so many young chefs coming forward to compete each year.

This competition is a great opportunity for up and coming chefs to showcase their skills and get a taste for the competition arena, giving them the chance to compete against their peers and use products they'll come into contact with in the future.

With the competition growing year on year, it really is an invaluable experience taking part and with support from Major and the Craft Guild of Chefs, the competitors could go on to compete at national and international levels, a fantastic boost for their careers.

The 2019 competition brings with it some exciting new opportunities for our competitors in the form of our brand new Skills Class, which will test their plating techniques and workmanship in addition to their use of flavour and understanding of the Major products.

So before we begin, let me take the chance to thank the colleges and all our contestants past and present for taking the time to compete in the Major Series. Your continued support, hard work and dedication is what keeps the competition going, hopefully for many more years to come and we simply couldn't do it without you!

So go on, pluck up the courage and enter! Show us what you can do and let us continue to make a great industry even greater.

Kind regards,

Wayne Harris

Chairman of Judges for the Craft Guild of Chefs









- ✓ National Competition
- ✓ Open to junior and senior student chefs of varying skill levels
- ✓ Experience first hand coaching from some of the industry's top chefs
 - ✓ Enter a range of classes (as many as you wish)
 - ✓ Compete in heats held in different locations around the country
- ✓ The winners of the Major Chicken Challenge regional heats and the highest scoring runners up will go through to the live National Final in 2020.





South Devon College

25th January 2019

8th February 2019



Loughborough

19th March 2019

21st May 2019







CLASS 1 The Live Classes

THE CHICKEN CHALLENGE

Competitors will be allowed FIFTY (50) minutes to prepare, cook and present TWO (2) identical portions of a chicken dish and present it in a modern style.



LEVEL 2 & 3 STUDENTS ONLY

The dish MUST incorporate the Major Veal Jus Paste and/or any of the following Major products: Major Roast Chicken, Mushroom, Roast Onion, Mediterranean Vegetable or Vegetable Stock Base Paste or ANY Major Mari Base.

A suitable garnish MUST accompany the protein element of the dish.

Pre-marination of meat with the Major products, peeled vegetables and raw pastry are the ONLY preparation permitted.

Competitors must bring ALL their own ingredients and equipment.

A well balanced use of Major product(s) is vital in this competition and competitors MUST NOT use any other stocks or marinades. Dishes which DO NOT use/incorporate a Major Product WILL NOT be awarded a medal.

The judges are looking for perfectly cooked chicken accompanied by a suitable starch, vegetable and sauce.

Winners and the highest scoring runners up from the regional heats will go through to the National Final in 2020

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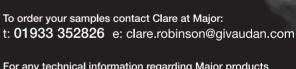


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THE STREET FOOD CHALLENGE

Competitors will be allowed THIRTY (30) minutes to prepare, cook and present TWO (2) identical portions of a street food dish.

All dishes MUST be presented in suitable takeaway containers that demonstrate how it would be served on the street.

The dish MUST incorporate a at least ONE of the following Major products:

ANY Major Mari Base and/or the Major Pan-Asian Vegetable Base or Major Hickory & Applewood Smoke Liquid Seasoning.

Dishes that fail to incorporate a Major Product WILL NOT be awarded a medal.

NO other marinade or pre-made sauce may be used.

Competitors must bring ALL their own ingredients and equipment.

Pre-marination of meat with the Major products and peeled vegetables are the ONLY preparation permitted.

The judges are looking for a perfectly cooked dishes worthy of being served on a street food or pop-up stall with good, well balanced use of Major product(s).

The garnish should compliment and not overpower the main element of the dish.









Mark Wetherill, Executive Development Chef Sodexo

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THE PASTA CHALLENGE

Competitors will be allowed TWENTY (20) minutes to prepare, cook and present TWO (2) identical portions of a pasta dish using pre-cooked pasta.

LEVEL 1 STUDENTS ONLY

Dishes MUST be served in two IDENTICAL bowls and should have a ratio of 50% pasta as a minimum.

The dish MUST incorporate at least ONE of the following Major products:

Major Fajita, Mediterranean or Moroccan Mari Bases, Major Beef, Chicken or Vegetable Stock Base Powders and/or the Major Mushroom or Cheddar Stock Base Pastes.

Competitors are ONLY allowed TWO (2) pans. Competitors must bring ALL their own ingredients and equipment.

NO other stock base or pre-made sauce is permitted.

Pre-marination of meat with the Major products and peeled vegetables are the ONLY preparation permitted.

The judges are looking for an amazing sauce made from scratch, with well balanced flavours that are in proportion with the pasta.











CLASS 4
The Live Classes

THE LIVE SKILLS

Competitors will be allowed FIFTEEN (15) Minutes to plate TWO (2) identical portions of a mousse based dessert with a suitable sauce and garnish.

LEVEL 1 STUDENTS ONLY

Dishes MUST be served on two identical plates.

The dish MUST incorporate at least ONE of the following Major Fruit Bases: Clementine, Cherry or Mango.

ALL components for this class should be pre-prepared. Competitors must bring ALL their own ingredients and equipment.

NO other Fruit Bases are permitted.

The judges will be looking at the plating skills and techniques, workmanship and organisational skills used to execute the dish as well as use of the Major product(s) and balanced flavours.







CLASS 5
The Static Classes

PLATED MAIN NOT TASTED



Display TWO (2) IDENTICAL dishes using meat, poultry, game, fish or vegetables.

The dish MUST be suitable for service in a fine dining restaurant and MUST include an appropriate starch, vegetable, garnish and sauce element. A suitable aspic glaze needs to be used to enhance presentation.

The dish MUST incorportate at least ONE of the following Major products:

Major Veal Jus Paste and/or ANY Major Stock Base Paste or Powder.













DECORATED GATEAU / TORTEN / ENTREMET TASTED

Present a decorated gateau, torten or entremet for 8 portions.

Competitors MUST use a 24cm cake tin. One portion MUST be removed and presented with a suitable sauce or garnish to demonstrate how it would look if served to a customer in a restaurant.

Competitors MUST use one of the following Major Fruit Bases: Clementine, Cherry or Mango.



Best OVERALL Static Winner

out of classes 5, 6, 7 & 8 wins







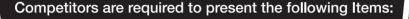




CLASS 7 The Static Classes

AFTERNOON TEA TASTED

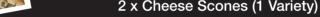
Present an Afternoon Tea Service



2 x Types of Finger Sandwiches (1 Round of Each)

2 x Individual Quiche (1 Variety)

2 x Cheese Scones (1 Variety)





For the quiche element, competitors MUST use ONE of the following Major Stock Base Pastes: Mushroom, Roast Onion or Mediterranean Vegetable.

For the scone element, competitiors MUST use the Major Cheddar Stock Base Paste.











CLASS 8 The Static Classes





Create an assortment of 12 rolls, comprising of 4 shapes as chosen by the competitors (3 of each), which are to be presented in a suitable bread carrier

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Create ONE fruit loaf to a maximum of 800g

LIVE FERMENTATION MUST BE USED and NOT SALT DOUGH

One variety of roll MUST use at least ONE of the following Major Stock Base Pastes: Cheddar, Roast Onion or Mediterranean Vegetable, This roll will be tasted.

ALL other varieties of rolls must also be edible.

The fruit loaf MUST use at least ONE of the following Major Fruit Bases: Clementine, Cherry or Mango. The loaf will be cut and tasted.













RESTAURANT SKILLS



Competitors will be allowed THIRTY (30) minutes to create a themed table layout for a prize giving ceremony.

Competitors are required to present the following items:



Themes should be imaginative and carried through to the accompanying menu and wine list. Entrants must also demonstrate and good understanding of glassware and table layout.

2 types of linen napkin folds; 1 suitable for fine dining and 1 suitable for banqueting

The judges will be looking at the complexity of the napkin folding, the techniques used as well as if any additional napkin folds are used within the table layout.

A non-alcoholic cocktail

Cocktails MUST be presented for 2 people and incorporate at least ONE of the following Major Fruit Bases: Clementine, Cherry or Mango. The judges will be looking at whether any measuring is used in the creation of the cocktails and how well the Major Fruit Base is used.

Competitor's table layouts MUST also include a 3-course menu that includes wine choices and details of the cocktails being presented. (Additional) pre-folded napkins are allowed. You can find additional information related to this class and examples of napkin folds at www.napkinfoldingguide.com.

Competitors must bring ALL their own ingredients and equipment.









CLASS 10
The Static Classes

ASSORTED COFFEE CHALLENGE



Competitors will be allowed 15 minutes to produce the following Coffees:

Iced (1 Portion)
Floating (1 Portion)

Cappucino/Latte/Hot Chocolate (1 Portion)

Each coffee MUST use at least ONE of the following Major Fruit Bases: Cherry, Clementine or Mango.

Competitors will be advised on the day as to which order they are required to do the elements in.

SUBJECT TO FACILITIES AVAILABLE.









THE AWARDS

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IMPORTANT NOTE: All entrants MUST use appropriate Major Products as specified in the briefs. Failure to do so will result in disqualification.

- All food must, where possible, be presented in keeping with current restaurant trends.
- All cold exhibits must be finished and ready for the judges at the time specified in the schedule provided nearer the competition date.
- All the classes are open to Junior and Senior entrants.
- Dishes should be appetizing, tasteful and aesthetically pleasing and be presented in a practical portion size.

Points will be awarded for the following:

- ✓ Professional Techniques
- ✓ Skills
- Hygiene (including set up and cleaning down of stations)
- ✓ Timing (Late finishes may incur penalty points/deductions)
- ✓ Seasonality & sustainability
- ✓ Balance, quality of flavours & textures
- Presentation
- ✓ Effective use of Major Products in application



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THE ORDER FORM



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PLEASE NOTE: Each entry to a class/venue must be made on a separate entry form. Payment must be made in full prior to the event or you will not be entered. Extra forms can be downloaded from www.craftguildofchefs.org and www.majorint.com/competitions

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