

Biography of Chef Michael Allemeier CMC



Chef Michael Allemeier has traveled the world and Canada learning his craft. Prior to joining SAIT (Southern Alberta Institute of Technology) as a Culinary Instructor, Chef Allemeier has run some of Western Canada's most exciting kitchens. While in Vancouver BC, Chef Allemeier was Executive Chef at Bishops Restaurant, then Teatro Restaurant in Calgary, AB. Allemeier's passion for food and wine pairing was realised with the call to man the stoves at Mission Hill Family Estate Winery in the Okanagan Valley, BC.

One of his highest profile meals was cooking for Presidents Clinton and Yeltsin during their Vancouver Summit Meeting. His career has received many awards and accolades the most notable occurring while he was Executive Winery Chef at Mission Hill Family Estate, where he was awarded the honour of leading one of the "Top Five Winery Restaurants in the World" by Travel and Leisure Magazine.

As a proven communicator, he has had many opportunities to be on television. His most notable work being one of the principle hosts of *Food Network's – Cook Like a Chef*. Chef Allemeier hosted twenty of these very popular syndicated shows. Other guest appearances include: *The Thirsty Traveler*, *Anna and Kristina's Grocery Bag*, *Chef at Large*, *Great Canadian Food Show* and *Canadian Living TV* to name a few.

A published author, Michael co-authored the book *Bishop's - The Cookbook*. In addition to this he has contributed recipes to several cookbooks such as: *Anita Stewart's Canada, Pacific Northwest - Wining and Dining*, *Cooking with BC Wines*, *Barbecue Secret Deluxe*, *Planking Secrets*, *On Cooking*, *Vancouver Cooks*, *High Plains – The Joy of Alberta Cuisine*, *Cook Like a Chef*, *Food and Wine – annual cookbook 2005* and *Fresh Canadian Bistro*.

Chef Allemeier completed his CMC (Certified Master Chef) June 2017, becoming Canada's third Chef to achieve this designation. The CMC (Certified Master Chef) is the most demanding and highest culinary designation in Canada and is internationally recognised in the industry as a Master of the Craft.

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