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29 Unique and Exciting Products Honored with 2020 Food and Beverage (FABI) Awards

National Restaurant Association Show® recognizes FABI awardees as the year's most delicious and innovative food and beverage products

Chicago (May 15, 2020) – The National Restaurant Association Show today announced the recipients of the 2020 Food and Beverage (FABI) Awards, recognizing food and beverage products that are breaking new ground in taste, creativity, packaging, and profit potential. These industry-altering products will shape the future of food and beverage with flavorful and marketable items designed to delight diners and drive sales for years to come.

"Each year, we are eager to see the new flavors, product creativity, and innovation highlighted by the FABI Awards and this year's recipients, once again, live up to expectations," said Tom Cindric, president of Winsight Exhibitions. "From alternative proteins and gluten-free options to cold brew drinks and unconventional desserts, the 29 FABI awardees represent the industry's year-to-year evolution that will ultimately benefit restaurant operators and consumers in the years ahead."

The 2020 FABI Award recipients are:

Belle Chevre

Belle Chevre Cream Cheeses

Belle Chevre's Cream Cheeses are the latest innovation from a company that focuses on ancient recipes made modern with creative twists. These new cheeses are premium, healthful choices that meet modern consumers' demand for authentically made, clean-label products.

Beyond Meat

Beyond Breakfast Sausage

Beyond Breakfast Sausage is made from simple, plant-based ingredients. Peas and rice provide the protein; coconut oil ensures mouthwatering juiciness and chew. Just like all other Beyond Meat products, this breakfast sausage is free of gluten, soy, GMOs, and artificially produced ingredients.

Bravadough!

Gluten Free Detroit & Chicago Style Pizza Mixes

Artisan gluten free dough mixes for authentic Detroit, Chicago, and pan style pizzas as well as focaccia, table breads—even cinnamon rolls. Also free from corn, soy, nuts, and eggs.

Brooklyn Food & Beverage

Moshi Yuzu Sparkling Drink

Moshi Yuzu Sparkling drink line highlights yuzu, the uniquely aromatic Japanese citrus, in a fizzy and refreshing RTD beverage. Native to Japan, yuzu is tricky to grow but incredibly rewarding for its flavor. Moshi's Yuzu Sparkling drink line is all-natural and made with 100% yuzu juice imported directly from Japan.

CAULIPOWER

CAULIPOWER Chicken Tenders

CAULIPOWER's better-for-you frozen Chicken Tenders feature a veggie-forward, golden, crispy coating, packed with cauliflower and other gluten-free goodness. The premium chicken is all natural, cage-free, and raised without antibiotics. CAULIPOWER Chicken Tenders are available in two flavors: Original and Spicy(ish).

ConAgra

Gardein Crabless Cake

Gardein[™] Crabless Cakes feature a luxurious texture and mouthwatering taste of the ocean. They're the perfect size for an upscale sandwich or entrée, or simply swap them into your existing crab cake dishes for a quick vegan option.

Eclipse Foods

Eclipse Ice Cream

Eclipse Foods makes plant-based dairy products that are indistinguishable from conventional dairy, starting with a liquid ice cream/soft-serve base. The product is free of common allergens, gums, gels, stabilizers, and GMOs. Eclipse sells neutral, vanilla, and chocolate liquid base, as well as frozen chocolate and vanilla tubs.

Eli's Cheesecake Co.

Goat Cheese Cheesecake

Tangy, rich, and not too sweet, this cheesecake is made with creamy goat cheese and cultured cream cheese, baked on a vanilla crumb crust and topped with goat cheese crumbles. It's sweetened with honey produced by student bee keepers at the Chicago High School for Agricultural Sciences.

Eli's Cheesecake Co.

Strawberry Cheesecake Cubies

Tiny half-inch cubes of Eli's rich and creamy cheesecake are baked on a graham crust and topped with real strawberry puree. Cubies make perfect mix-ins and dessert components, and also great for snacking.

Elmhurst 1925

Barista Editions

Elmhurst Barista Editions deliver a richer and creamier consistency than everyday plant milks, making it a better option for stirring into coffee and blending into the perfect foam for specialty coffee beverages. They're made without artificial flavors, carrageenan, gums, oils or other

emulsifiers, and are Certified Vegan, gluten-free, Non-GMO Project Verified, dairy-free and OU Kosher.

Gourmet Culinary Partners

Roasted Cauliflower Au Gratin

Kabobs' Roasted Cauliflower Au Gratin provides a side dish/accompaniment alternative to starches (potatoes, rice, etc.). Fresh cauliflower florets are combined with rich heavy cream, gruyere and cheddar cheeses, then accented with fresh garlic and offered pre-roasted, for a rustic visual presentation.

Grecian Delight Foods

Falafel Patties

Falafel I.Q.F. Patties are a trendy and authentic Mediterranean street food and plant-based protein. The same formula as the 2018 FABI award winning Falafel Fritters, in a convenient patty format. Featuring chickpeas, parsley, onions, cilantro, Serrano peppers, garlic, and spices. Patties are gluten free, vegan, halal, kosher, and clean label.

Impossible Foods

Impossible™ Pork Made From Plants

Impossible[™] Pork Made from Plants is a delicious, juicy, and umami-rich meat made from plants–produced using a tiny fraction of the environmental impact of animal-derived pork. It contains no animal hormones or antibiotics, no gluten, 0 mg cholesterol, and is perfect in ground pork dishes, including spring rolls and dumplings.

Impossible Foods

Impossible™ Sausage Made From Plants

ImpossibleTM Sausage Made from Plants is savory, pre-seasoned meat that's perfect as a traditional breakfast accompaniment or pizza topping. Because it's made from plants, it contains 0 mg cholesterol, no gluten, and no animal hormones or antibiotics–and is lower in calories, total fat, and saturated fat than sausage derived from pigs.

J & J Snack Foods Corp.

SUPERPRETZEL® Soft Pretzel Fries

Soft Pretzel Fries from the #1 selling soft pretzel brand, SUPERPRETZEL®, offer a unique alternative to traditional fries. They provide a delicious, intriguing addition to menus as both a side item and appetizer.

Kronos Foods Corp.

KronoBROIL® Carvers Korean Barbecue Beef

KronoBROIL® Korean Barbecue Beef is a ground mixture of flavorful ingredients and spices; marinated in a sweet and spicy sauce of toasted sesame oil, soy sauce, garlic, green onions with crushed red pepper to enhance flavor and texture. It is fully cooked via flame broiling which delivers added grilled flavor and tender bite from basting in its own juices while cooking. It is carved into random slices for convenient, heat & serve applications.

Kronos Foods Corp.

Kronos Chocolate Hummus

Chocolate hummus is made from sweet cocoa powder blended with chickpeas, tahini, sugar, and vanilla. It's perfect for pairing with fresh fruit, nuts, and pretzels, and can also be used as a filling for crepes, spread on toast or crackers, or substituted for chocolate frosting.

La Colombe Coffee Roasters

Oatmilk Draft Latte

A plant-based dose of frothy, cold brew creaminess with the full taste and texture of a cold latte and none of the dairy. Made with ingredients like sustainably sourced oatmilk and cold brew, this beverage is best enjoyed chilled!

Mama LA's Kitchen

Mama La's Vegetable Pho Broth Concentrate

This all-natural, plant-based pho broth concentrate is made with fresh vegetables, an award-winning spice blend and hi-oleic sunflower oil, which has three times the vitamin E of extra virgin olive oil.

Miss Mary's Mix, Inc.

Miss Mary's Paloma Mix

The Paloma, Mexico's National Drink, is gaining steam in cocktail bars across the U.S. Miss Mary's Light & Natural Paloma mix offers a handcrafted, turn-key version, featuring fresh ingredients and bright essential oils.

PepsiCo Foodservice

Pure Leaf Cold Brew Tea

New Pure Leaf Cold Brew iced tea is made from leaves carefully selected by Pure Leaf Tea Masters. Its brewing time is three times longer, resulting in a smoother tasting iced tea. Cold Brew comes in three flavors: Slightly Sweet Black Tea, Slightly Sweet Black Tea with Mango, and Unsweetened.

Red Gold

Huy Fong Sriracha Bloody Mary Mix

This premium cocktail mix is mildly sweet, with the infamous lingering heat of the Original Sriracha Hot Chili Sauce. Cut out recipe irregularity with this carefully crafted blend of sweet tomato flavor and heat!

Sabatino Truffles

Truffle Zest & Cheese Seasoning

Truffle Zest & Cheese Seasoning blends the FABI Award-winning Truffle Zest®, a powdered seasoning of Black Summer Truffles, with grated pecorino cheese. Sprinkle on French fries, popcorn, pizza, salad, and eggs.

Sempio Food Company

Yondu Vegetable Umami

Yondu is a vegetable umami sauce made from triple-fermented beans and umami-rich vegetables. It's 100% natural, organic, vegan, gluten-free and non-GMO. Yondu adds instant savory flavor to any dish without an overpowering taste or color; a great alternative to fish sauce, bouillons, stocks and liquid aminos. Great for plant-based cooking.

Sud'n'sol

Sliced Grilled Carrots

Originally sourced from Nantes, France these roasted carrots are prepared from fresh vegetables, which are thinly sliced, grilled, coated in oil, and seasoned with Mediterranean spices and herbs. They are sustainably sourced, 100% vegan, fresh, clean label, gluten-free, non-GMO, soy-free, palm oil-free and do not contain any preservatives.

Sweet Street Desserts

Zoe's Crush Manifesto Cookie

Zoe's Crush Manifesto Cookie is sweet with a subtle hint of savory. The crush of toffee, almonds, toasted sesame, candied ginger, single-origin Peruvian chocolate and delicate hint of miso make it umami. Certified gluten free.

Tyson Foods Inc

Jimmy Dean® Frittata Flats

Jimmy Dean® Florentine Frittata Flats are a flavorful blend of eggs, bacon, spinach and caramelized onion, creating a versatile menu item with a good source of protein. Conveniently sized and only three carbs each, they make a great bun replacement and are flavorful enough to be served as an entrée!

Tyson Foods Inc

Jimmy Dean® Morning Combos-Mini Maple Pancakes and Maple Sausage Bites

Help fuel on-the-go customers throughout the day. Classic breakfast fare in portable, bite-size pairings, from Jimmy Dean® Brand, the brand consumers recognize and trust. Flavorful mini maple pancakes and maple sausage bites are ready to eat from the package or heated in under 30 seconds for a tasty snack, anytime.

Wagshal's Imports

100% Iberico Cochinillo

The Iberico (commonly referred to as the pata negra) is considered to be the most prestigious breeds of pork in the world. These tender suckling pigs are 100% pure Iberico.

The FABI Award recipients were selected by an <u>independent panel of judges</u> from across the foodservice industry and represent some of the most well-known brands and organizations. The 2020 FABI judges are:

- Pat Cobe, Senior Editor, Restaurant Business, FoodService Director
- **Timothy J. Dietzler,** Retired Director, College & University Food Services, Villanova University
- Marion Gibson, Culinary Development Director, Aramark
- Aimee Harvey, Managing Editor, Technomic
- **Farley Kaiser,** Corporate Executive Chef/Culinary Innovation Manager Fresh Foods, Wawa, Inc.
- **John Li, Vice President Culinary Innovation, The Wendy's Company**
- Robin Rosenberg, Vice President, Chef de Cuisine, Levy Restaurants
- Cammie Spillyards-Schaefer, Vice President of Culinary and Menu Strategy, Cracker Barrel Old Country Store®
- Bret Thorn, Senior Food & Beverage Editor, Nation's Restaurant News

As the global restaurant and hospitality industry's premier trade show, the National Restaurant Association Show brings together more restaurant and hospitality buyers and equipment manufacturers than any other industry event. For more information about the FABI program and this year's award recipients, visit the <u>FABI Awards</u> page on our website.

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About the National Restaurant Association

Founded in 1919, the National Restaurant Association is the leading business association for the restaurant industry, which comprises more than one million restaurant and foodservice outlets and a workforce of more than 15.3 million employees. It represents the industry in Washington, D.C., and in partnership with 52 state associations, advocates on the industry's behalf in states and locations across the nation. The Association manages the leading food safety training and certification program (ServSafe); a unique career-building high school program (the NRAEF's ProStart); and sponsor the industry's largest annual trade show, the National Restaurant Association Show. For more information, visit the Show on Twitter, Facebook, Instagram and LinkedIn.

About Winsight LLC

Winsight LLC is a business-to-business information, event and market intelligence company serving the restaurant and noncommercial foodservice, convenience and petroleum retailing and grocery industries. Winsight provides research and analytics, branding solutions, face-to-face opportunities, lead generation initiatives, and content marketing services through products including subscription data products, reports, research tools, research programs, fully custom studies, conferences, custom marketing services, meetings, print, digital trade media and tradeshows, including the National Restaurant Association Show. Winsight LLC is a portfolio company of Pamlico Capital.