



As one of the original celebrity chefs, **Curtis Aikens** has educated and entertained food lovers since 1988. Curtis hosted several notable shows on television's Food Network including Pick of the Day, From My Garden, Meals Without Meat, and Food in a Flash. He has been a regular cast member of ABC's Good Morning America, dispensing food-related advice and creative, healthful recipes. During the early days, as part of ABC's popular morning show, Home, hosts Gary Collins and Sara Purcell dubbed Curtis "The Home Grocer". Curtis has hundreds of television credits including appearances on CNN, Oprah, Entertainment Tonight, NBC Nightly News, ABC World News Tonight, Regis and Kathy Lee, the Queen Latifa show, NBC's Today Show, CBS Good Day, Donnie and Marie, the Jane Pauley Show and many more, as well as dozens of other local network affiliate appearances.

He stepped away from the cameras in 2001 to be a fulltime father, his youngest graduated from Novato high June of 2013. During the time away from the spotlight Curtis resumed his education having earned his BA in Liberal Arts from Limestone College, and Masters of Education from Dominican University of CA. Chef Curtis dispenses more than just food-related advice and recipes; he is a passionate advocate for literacy and a champion leading the charge against diabetes.

Curtis has also represented many companies and brands helping to deliver corporate and product messaging. Clients have included Mastercard, Korbel, Borden, Millstone Coffee, Simon Property Group, General Mills Green Giant, Hershey's, Jimmy Dean, and many more. Curtis regularly entertains crowds with public appearances at food festivals and events with his dynamic cooking demonstrations and motivating speeches.

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Speech Topics

- Overcoming Adversity
- Education
- Chef
- Celebrity

