

Chef Ron Hart

Retired Culinary Arts Teacher



Ron started his journey in the culinary arts at the age of 14 working alongside his mother and grandmother helping to prepare family meals. Here he learned how to wash dishes and peel potatoes, make bread and preserve fruits and vegetables for the winter months.

Upon entering high school it was a natural fit for Ron to join the cooking program offered at the school. At age 15 he entered his first culinary competition and took top honours, bringing home the Green Giant Trophy. After finishing high school, Ron was the first student to be hired by the Greater Essex County District School Board as a teaching assistant to the culinary arts teacher.

Ron went on to hone his skills and was accepted into the culinary apprenticeship program at George Brown College in Toronto where he finished top in his class. Ron continued his studies by working at a variety of establishments throughout Canada. As a chef working in the industry, he noted that young people coming into the kitchens had limited knowledge and little training. With this in mind, Ron made a career change. After being accepted by the Faculty of Education at Queens University, he completed a two year program and received his Teaching

Certificate of Qualification.

Ron went on to help set up the curriculum and teach the QYAP (Ontario Youth Apprenticeship Program for 23 years.

Throughout the years as a member of the Culinary Guild of Windsor and the CFCC, Ron has had the distinct pleasure of being a member of Team Windsor and Culinary Team Canada. Ron has received many awards and honours for his work as a team member and for his individual accomplishments. Presently, Ron is chairman of the board for the Culinary Guild of Windsor.

One of the highlights of Ron's career was when he was nominated by his peers and inducted into The Prestigious Honour Society of the Canadian Culinary Federation.