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GINGERBREAD TAKES OVER THE KITCHEN THIS WEEK, ON "HALLMARK DRAMA'S CHRISTMAS COOKIE MATCHUP"

Five Remaining Bakers Make Gingerbread Magic in Hallmark's Kitchen!

STUDIO CITY, CA – November 8th, 2019 – "Gingerbread Magic" – <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>November 20th</u> marks week two of "Hallmark Drama's Christmas Cookie Matchup". The smell of molasses and ginger brings holiday memories to life.

On this week's episode, our "When Calls The Heart" stars (Erin Krakow, Pascale Hutton, Paul Greene, Chris McNally, Kavan Smith and Kevin McGarry), team up with the five remaining home bakers to decorate gingerbread men and women using their creativity and Christmas imagination. Next up is the Main Bake, where the contestants have to create a Christmas themed winter wonderland scene all out of edible materials. Andrea Brooks from "When Calls the Heart" joins in on the holiday festivities this episode when the Cookie Corner is introduced to the series. As bakers and their "When Calls the Heart" teammates get eliminated from the competition, members of the Cookie Corner give remaining bakers feedback on their cookies and also have the opportunity to help teams win future challenges.

Jack Wagner ("Melrose Place") hosts "Hallmark Drama's Christmas Cookie Matchup". The five-week event is judged by Chadwick Boyd and Emily Hutchinson and. Chadwick Boyd is a food media entrepreneur. He started his first business at the age of seven, selling hand crafted brownies and fresh lemonade. Today, Boyd's company, Chadwick Boyd Lifestyle, is a multi-media enterprise that collaborates with magazines, television networks, publishing houses and consumer brands. Initially taught as a baker, Boyd now focuses on food trends, modern home cooking, and entertaining. He is a regular fixture on daytime TV, a James Beard Foundation judge, and travels nationally with Chef Carla Hall for their "Biscuit Time" class. Emily Hutchinson, creator of the blog The Hutch Oven, is a self-taught baker, recipe developer, decorating teacher, and cookbook author. Hutchinson, who teaches her popular baking techniques on national television, has spent years mastering the art of buttercream Frosting Designs and Tips for Every Occasion coming soon. "Christmas Cookie Matchup" marks the first-ever original content developed for Hallmark Drama since the network launched in 2017.

"Hallmark Drama's Christmas Cookie Matchup," is a Tremendous! Entertainment Production. Colleen Needles Steward, Shannon Keenan Demers and Becca Gullion are the executive producers. Jennifer Faison serves as producer. Laura Slobin serves as supervising producer. Matt Bellamy directed the series.

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