



Press Release

What's Cooking in 2006?

We thought we'd whet your appetite by letting you know that e.tv will be broadcasting Darren Star's spicy new sitcom, ***Kitchen Confidential*** early next year. Seven years after launching his hit sitcom 'Sex and the City', Star dishes out some sophisticated fare that is sure to leave viewers drooling...

Loosely based on celebrity chef Anthony Bourdain's book of the same title, the series focuses on talented chef Jack Bourdain (Bradley Cooper), who is looking for a second chance after his earlier runaway success foundered on a lifestyle of booze, women and drugs.

When Jack is offered an opportunity to get back in the game as head chef at a top New York restaurant, he hastily assembles a renegade crew of colleagues from his past, including chefs Steven (Owain Yeoman) and Seth (Nicholas Brendon), and a rookie pastry chef named Jim (John Francis Daley). Also along for the ride are Tanya (Jaime King) the hostess and Mimi (Bonnie Somerville), the restaurant owner's gorgeous daughter who can't wait for Jack to fail.

Star likens the creative process behind ***Kitchen Confidential*** to the challenge of putting together a first-rate gourmet meal. "There's an alchemy in both," he says. "There's a magic that happens when you make a great dish that is greater than the sum of its parts. Everything melds together in a way that you can't necessarily plan on, you can only hope for. With a great show, you have a great cast and you have great writers. It all comes together. It's an art, and you just hope the magic is going to happen."

From the diners at the front of the house, to the head chef and his rock-star culinary team at the back of the house, ***Kitchen Confidential*** is a tasty look at the underbelly of the restaurant world.

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