

EatingWell Magazine Announces The 2018 Winners Of Its Second Annual American Food Heroes Awards

List Recognizes Top 12 Food Industry Leaders and Visionaries

NEW YORK and SHELBURNE, Vt., June 26, 2018 /PRNewswire/ -- **EatingWell** today revealed the winners of its second annual American Food Heroes awards as part of the July/August 2018 issue, on newsstands now. This year's awards honor the top visionary leaders and influencers within the food sector, who are committed to making a difference in the biggest food, sustainability and nutrition issues of today.

"At EatingWell, we are truly passionate and dedicated to educating Americans on where their food comes from, how it's produced and the impact it has on the environment," said Jessie Price, Editor-in-Chief of EatingWell. "There are many positive changes happening in the food sector today, and it's an ideal opportunity for us to acknowledge those doing extraordinary work on all fronts—whether it's through food policy, agricultural innovations, sustainability initiatives or life-saving nutrition research."

To select the winners, EatingWell solicited nominations from top experts, advocates and readers. A panel of editors reviewed the submissions and narrowed down the finalists to those who stood out for their focus, creativity, ongoing contributions and, in particular, the achievements they had made in the past year.

Past award winners include celebrity chef and activist José Andrés; Lindsey Shute, the executive director of the National Young Farmers Coalition; Bob's Red Mill founder Bob Moore; and Panera Bread CEO Ron Shaich.

The 2018 American Food Heroes are:

- Julie Packard, Executive Director, Monterey Bay Aquarium
- Chellie Pingree, Congresswoman, 1st District of Maine
- Larry Clemens, Director of North America's Agricultural Program, The Nature Conservancy
- Tom Colicchio, Chef and Owner, Crafted Hospitality restaurant group
- Marc Oshima, Co-Founder and Chief Marketing Officer, AeroFarms
- Joann Lo and Jose Oliva, Co-Directors, Food Chain Workers Alliance
- Walter Willett, M.D., Dr. P.H., Professor of Epidemiology and Nutrition, Harvard University
- Michel Nischan, Chef and Founder, Wholesome Wave
- Katie Forrest and Taylor Collins, Co-Founders, Epic Provisions
- Paul Polman, CEO, Unilever

"Our goal at EatingWell is to shine a light on those people making food in America better right now," added Price. "This list is an extension of our brand mission. Since 1990, we have captured the stories of innovators and creative problem solvers who are revolutionizing the food industry."

The feature story profiling our winners will appear in the July/August 2018 issue of EatingWell, and online at EatingWell.com.

Major advertisers in the July/August 2018 issue include Hellmann's and Reynolds Wrap®, among others.

To learn more about the 2018 American Food Heroes awards, click [here](#).

ABOUT EATINGWELL

Launched in 1990, EatingWell is a leading source of delicious, healthy recipes, entertaining ideas, and inspiring articles about food origins and science-based nutrition. EatingWell is a fast-growing multimedia brand in the expanding healthy-eating sector. Its core mission is to give readers a better way to eat deliciously, live healthy, feel happy and look great. In 2016, EatingWell was named by *Advertising Age* as one of the "Top 10 Magazines of the Year." The brand has also won 15 James Beard awards, with an additional 25 nominations.

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