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Novice and Internationally Acclaimed Chefs to Cook for Soup For You Café

MINNEAPOLIS, MN — *Soup For You Café* (SFY) is excited to welcome up-and-coming teen chefs who are students at Roosevelt High School in Minneapolis and internationally acclaimed chef Andrew Zimmern into the kitchen.

On **January 13**, young chefs from Roosevelt High School Culinary Arts will make a turkey noodle soup. On **January 22**, internationally acclaimed chef Andrew Zimmern will be making his grandmother's split pea soup, and on **February 10**, Roosevelt chefs will make Three Sisters Bison Chili.

These special soup days continue SFY's initiative to feature neighborhood chefs and celebrate the cultural and culinary diversity of the Longfellow community. Since May 2025, SFY has welcomed chefs from Francis Burger Joint; Mr. Momo; Sonora Grill; Owamni; Hi-Lo Diner; Lynette; and All Square Restaurants.

"Veteran Kitchen volunteer Carolyn Curti came up with the idea for our Guest Chef Events, and what a wonderful idea it is." said Soup For You founder Judah Nataf. "What better way to introduce ourselves to our community and our neighbors. Food preparation and food sharing is a bonding experience, and that is precisely what happens at these events. The Guest Chefs, from all backgrounds graciously and generously give their time, their energy and their love into helping to feed our guests. We look forward to this continuing into the future," Nataf added.

When invited, Chef Andrew Zimmern immediately responded at the opportunity to cook for Soup For You. "There is no greater calling, no greater act of service, no greater way to connect with our communities than to feed them. I am so grateful to Soup For You for giving me the opportunity to share food with those that need it," said Zimmern.

The Roosevelt student involvement is made possible by a grant from the Metro Food Justice Network.

About Soup For You!

For the past 11 years, *Soup For You!* Has been providing free, nutritious lunches to anyone who walks through the door. Originally located in Seward, the café relocated to Longfellow in 2024 and is now housed at *Holy Trinity Church* (2730 East 31st Street), serving soup weekdays from **11:30 AM to 1:00 PM**.

SFY! operates on a simple but powerful mission: "**Feed, nourish, and comfort.**" As a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, SFY offers healthy, lovingly prepared meals without regard to age, housing status, income, immigration status, or any other factor. Its work focuses on:

- **Providing Nutritious Meals** using whole, organic, and largely rescued ingredients.
- **Building Community** by creating space for connection across lines of difference.
- **Reducing Food Waste** by transforming surplus and non-saleable food into hearty, high-quality meals.

Supported by a robust network of donors and partners including *Twin Cities Food Justice*, *Peace Coffee*, *Turtle Bread*, and *Whole Foods*, Soup For You! continues to feed the body and soul of the neighborhood.

This special event is a celebration of community, inclusion, and the healing power of good food. More guest chef dates will be announced soon.

Soup For You Café

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