

# NIAGARA

## FOOD & BEVERAGE

# SUMMIT

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## PANELIST OVERVIEW

### KIMBERLEY STUCK



Kimberley Stuck was the first Cannabis specialist for a public health authority in the nation in Denver CO. She has a bachelor's degree in Human Nutrition/Biochem, is a Certified Professional in Food Safety (CP-FS), a Certified Quality Auditor (CQA), and is a leading expert in Cannabis food safety. Kim is the Founder of Allay Consulting LLC, a consulting firm that helps the Cannabis industry overcome compliance pitfalls in FDA, cGMP Certification, ISO Certification, OSHA, and Fire code. Kim has spoken at several different industry conferences including Hemp and Hops, INDO Expo, NCIA and Imperious Expo.

She is also a judge for the Colorado Manufacturing Awards who has recently allowed a Cannabis/Hemp manufacturing product award. She is a member of Cannabis Sustainability Board in Denver, the CDPHE Science and Policy work group, DDPHE Cannabis Health and Safety Advisory Board, the CDA CHAMP Initiative work group, and the ASTM Cannabis Standards work group. Her professionalism and dedication to the cannabis industry has saved companies not only time but millions of dollars of lost revenue. She continues to be a leader in the space preaching that Cannabis should be treated as any other commodity and continues to fight for normalization of Cannabis.

### CHRISTOPHER SAYEGH



At his core, The Herbal Chef™ is a passionate science and biology student who turned to the chemistry of food plant medicine, to feed the intellectual side of his creations. Among the first professional to enter the Cannabis industry, Christopher Sayegh has pioneered Cannabis Infused Fine-Dining in an effort to elevate the perception of marijuana through mainstream media. These activations include art, music, fine wine and top notch ingredients, simultaneously and effortlessly educating his audience while entertaining them with culinary enlightenment. Currently, Chris consults for companies producing gourmet edibles, catered and private dinners, as well as leading the charge in culinary education for Cannabis throughout the globe.

The Herbal Chef has been featured in every major news company around the world (including The Guardian, CNN, Fox News, CBS, GQ, Forbes, Fast Company, etc) to document his incredible innovation in the cannabis and culinary space. With the preciseness of Chris' infusions and ongoing stardome in media, Chris has already been able to solidify his space as the #1 cannabis infusion chef in the world. With a seemingly endless supply of passion and drive, Chris has his sights set on leaving a positive impact on the world through his medium of choice, food. Through consulting as a content strategist or to menu and edible creation, this is a refreshing take on sharing his vision with the world that is The Herbal Chef™.

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### NADINE RATHFORD



Nadine is a business leader with proven success at client relationships, and initiating and managing new ventures. She is the Canadian Manager for FONA International, a company that develops and produces flavours for many of the largest food, beverage, nutraceutical, and pharmaceutical companies in the world. Nadine has been working in the Flavour industry for the past 19 years. Prior to joining the food industry, Nadine specialized in National Account Management for Consumer Packaged Goods – Health & Beauty.

Nadine is a graduate of the University of Toronto, where she studied Business and Communications. She also has a Specialist in Leadership & Management from the Wisconsin School of Business at the University of Wisconsin – Madison. In her spare time, Nadine is on the Board of Governors for St. Mildred's Lightbourn School, an independent school for Girls in Oakville, ON.

### MITIN RATHOD



Mitin Rathod is an influential Marketing, Research, and Innovation professional with over two decades of experience in helping organizations navigate through various business dilemmas.

Mitin has a broad global experience working with large retailers like WAL-MART, consulting company KANTAR and with leading cpg's like MARS, SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO, and BASKIN ROBBINS.

Mitin has led several ground breaking initiatives leveraging "user experience" as a platform to create category defining product and marketing executions. Mitin is also active in the community, as a guest lecturer and a trained mentor for start-ups helping translate ideas from the thought bubble into business blueprint on paper.

### GENEVIÈVE DUBÉ

Geneviève Dubé is a Project Manager, Innovation and Marketing at Bell Flavors & Fragrances. In her role, Geneviève is responsible for driving and executing innovation projects contributing to competitive advantage for the organization.

Her creativity combined with a strong technical background makes her a valuable asset for identifying future trends and products which are collaboratively implemented with R&D and strategically marketed to fuel business growth. She provides customer support in ideation, concept development, innovation presentations and trend analysis. Genevieve holds a Bachelor in Food Science and Technology from Laval University.