



HOT SAUCE HALL OF FAME BALLOT 2016

Life Time Achievement Award Show

The New York City Hot Sauce Expo presents the official Hot Sauce Hall of Fame. The Hot Sauce Hall of Fame will induct 5 people that all have been instrumental in the fiery foods industry through the years. The induction ceremony will be presented live on the main stage at the NYC Hot Sauce Expo on April 23rd and 24th 2016.

To be eligible to vote as the Selection Committee, a person must operate within the fiery foods industry for a minimum of 3 years. The Selection Committee determines the Hall of Fame Class each year. To be eligible for nomination of the Hall of Fame you must have contributed 15 years within the Hot Sauce Industry.

The Selection Committee consist of the various fiery foods companies within the Hot Sauce Industry; retailers, distributors, exporters, promoters, chile pepper growers, media and restaurateurs who specialize in spicy foods and hot sauce.

Ballot Entries ~ The Class of 2016

1. Alvin Baumer ~ Crystal Hot Sauce: Started in 1923, Crystals has become a Louisiana institution and is one of the fastest growing condiment manufacturers in the country with over 4.5 million gallons of hot sauce each year.
2. Blair Lazar ~ Blair's: Heating up over 31 countries, printed in six languages, and Guinness World Record certified with the hottest product created, Blair's passion for peppers is ever present. It is what fuels the fiery phenomena that's called the Death Sauce.
3. David Ashley ~ Mad Dog: Owner of Ashley Foods. David has been creating hot sauce for well over 20 plus years and was one of the first to sell extract sauces with his 357 Mad Dog Hot Sauce.
4. Dave Lutes ~ Hot Shots Distribution: Founder of Hot Shots Distribution. One of the original hot sauce distributors and one of the biggest. Still operating for almost 20 years.
5. David Tran ~ Huy Fong Foods (Sriracha Sauce): Started in 1980 and has grown to be the leader in Asian Hot Sauce with his Sriracha Sauce also known to hot sauce fans as the "Rooster Sauce".
6. Jacob Frank ~ Founder of Franks Red Hot. The first bottle was produced in 1920 and later became the secret ingredient for the Buffalo Wings in Buffalo, NY. "I Put That \$#!t on Everything!"
7. Jose-Luis Saavedra, Sr. ~ Tapatio Salsa Picante Hot Sauce: Started in 1971 in Vernon, CA. Celebrating 45 years of making in 2016 it has now grown into one of the biggest family owned hot sauce companies in the country. It's a sauce that's...very saucy!
8. Marie Sharp ~ Marie Sharp's & the Original Melinda's: Owner Marie Sharp's Fine Foods Ltd. - Started making sauce in the early 80's and actually was the creator of Melinda's sauces. Her sauce is the quintessential Central American hot sauce awesome flavor and great heat!
9. Sam Garner ~ Texas Pete: This hot sauce was introduced to the world in 1929 and is now the 3rd largest selling hot sauce in the country.
10. Si Brown ~ Louisiana Brand Hot Sauce: Founded in New Iberia, Louisiana in 1928. The brand now features the word, "Original" in its name along with the famous Red Dot. The hot sauce is known for being full of flavor without an overwhelming amount of heat.

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Vote - Top 5 Entries

Pick 1:

Pick 2:

Pick 3:

Pick 4:

Pick 5:

Ballot Verification

Name of Company:

Contact:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Email:

Phone:

Website:

Year Started In Fiery Foods Industry:

All Ballots Must Be Received by 3/15/2016

Please email ballot to Steve Seabury: steve@highriversauces.com

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