

AMERICAN MASTERS OF TASTE

The National Organization Dedicated to the Pursuit of Taste Excellence

2017 U.S.A. TASTE CHAMPIONSHIPS

– **Yumbana** –

– AWARD OF EXCELLENCE IN NATIONAL JUDGING –

Northern California, Wednesday, May 23, 2017 – *Yumbana* was selected as a winning product line in the retail categories of “*Gluten Free Frozen pie Shells, pre-made Pies, Muffins, Cookies, Cakes and Dinner Rolls.*”

Their submissions in these product categories: “*Double Chocolate Cookies,*” “*Chocolate Chip Cookies,*” “*Oatmeal Walnut Chocolate Chip Cookies,*” “*Cherry Pie,*” “*Apple Pie,*” “*Key Lime Pie,*” “*Blueberry Pie,*” “*Frozen Pie Shells,*” “*Frozen Dinner Rolls,*” “*Banana Nut Muffins,*” “*Lemon Crumb Muffins,*” “*Blueberry Crumb Muffins,*” “*Cheesecake,*” “*Carrot Cake,*” “*Double Chocolate Cake,*” “*Chocolate Drizzle Cake*” and “*Raspberry Coffee Cake*” were all judged excellent in Northern California by a panel of *Masters of Taste* selected by *Chefs In America*.

The protocols of “triple blind” judging include the following ground rules to ensure accurate and fair judging results.

Evaluators do not know:

- 1. Who the manufacturer is**
- 2. What the product variety or appellation is**
- 3. What the other evaluators’ scores and comments are during evaluation**

The *American Masters Of Taste* judging panel agreed that, “*All of Yumbana’s products displayed exemplary quality for appearance, aroma and taste. They have demonstrated extraordinary ability in formulating gluten-free baked products that bake well and are delicious.*”

The judging was a part of the on-going *U.S.A. Taste Championships* founded in 1986 with the establishment of *Chefs In America*, whose professional culinary board members gather weekly to conduct taste tests on a myriad of foodservice and retail grocery products.

Yumbana was declared a *2017 U.S.A. Taste Champion*.

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