

Andi Oliver

Charismatic Television & Radio Presenter For All things Food, Arts, Culture & Music to Name A Few



BIOGRAPHY

Award winning TV Chef and Broadcaster Andi Oliver enjoys a rich & varied career, with food and music being at the forefront throughout.

Andi is a regular face on screen – Host of the BBC’s Great British Menu, Host of Sky Arts Live Book Club, Host of C4’s Beat the Chef, and Food Unwrapped and a contributing chef and host on Saturday Kitchen.

On air Andi is a regular panel member on BBC Radio 4’s The Kitchen Cabinet alongside Jay Rayner as well as a contributor to Radio 4’s Award winning The Food Programme. In 2018 she followed in the footsteps of Yotam Ottolenghi & Giorgio Locatelli and was appointed Head judge alongside Sheila Dillon for the prestigious BBC Food & Farming awards.

Outside of the realm of food Andi hosted the award winning Jazz 365 for BBC4 in 2019 and along with her daughter Miquita Oliver took part both in The Road To Saigon for BBC2 and Hosted The Cheltenham Literature Festival for Sky Arts.

Andi rose to fame fronting the band Rip Rig and Panic with Neneh Cherry in 1981 she went onto work in TV in the 90’s, debuting on Backstage at The Brits. She then went on to present the hit cult show Badaas TV with Ice T and the award winning documentary Crazy Sexy Cool. For 6 years Andi covered Glastonbury for the BBC as well as fronting various other BBC festivals.

During this period Andi hosted a hugely popular afternoon show on GLR for three years and presented The Selector for 8 years, a show for The British Council, broadcast in over 15 different countries. In 2005, with Andi at the helm, it won a Silver Sony Award for best weekly music show.

In 2006 she presented The Truth About Food for the BBC and in 2007 she and Neneh Cherry hosted BBC2 cooking series, Neneh and Andi Dish It Up.

During her career, Andi was invited to perform a piece for a gala performance of the Vagina Monologues at The Royal Albert Hall with amongst others , Isabella Rossellini, Maureen Lipman & Meera Syal, which led to a 3 month West End run with Michelle Gomez, Samantha Bond & Linda Robson. She was featured in the 1st series of The Number One Ladies Detective Agency and is soon to be seen in a cameo in the upcoming film written by Caitlin Moran – How To Build A Girl.

Andi was (and is) in the kitchen throughout all of this, perfecting her skill, and for 4 years she ran a successful ephemeral restaurant – The Moveable Feast. After being creative director of The Birdcage she launched her own kitchen at The Jackdaw and Star, a renovated pub in the heart of Homerton. She launched her award winning restaurant – Andi’s – in 2016 & in 2020, she launched her newest food project entitled Wadadli Kitchen which showcases Real Caribbean Home Cooking. Wadadli pop ups took place throughout summer 2020, including a pop up at Somerset House and an off shoot of the Wadadli brand called One Love , which Andi created alongside Fred Sirix.

TELEVISION

DATE	PRODUCTION (ROLE)	COMPANY
2020	Great British Menu (Host)	Optomen Television
2020	Sky Arts Book Club (Co - Host)	StoryVault for Sky Arts



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2020	Steph's Packed Lunch (Guest Chef)	Expectation TV for Channel 4
2020	Food Unwrapped (Guest Host)	Ricochet for Channel 4
2019	Cheltenham Literary Festival LIVE COVERAGE (Host)	StoryVault Films for SKY Arts
2018	Beat The Chef (Host)	TwoFour Productions for Channel 4
2018	Road to Saigon (Contributor)	Optomen Television
2017 - Present	The ONE SHOW features	BBC1
2017 - 2019	Great British Menu (Judge)	Optomen Television
2017	The Apprentice: You're Fired (Panelist)	Boundless for BBC2
2016 - Present	Saturday Kitchen	BBC1
2015	The Big Eat (Host)	The Food Network
2013	Food Glorious Food (Judge)	ITV
2009	No1 Ladies Detective Agency (Guest)	BBC
2007	Neneh and Andi Dish It Up (Host)	BBC2
2006	The Truth About Food (Host)	BBC
2002 - 2006	Glastonbury (Host)	BBC
2003	British Independent Film Awards (Host)	
2002	Radio 3 World Music Awards (Host)	BBC
2001 - 2009	The Selector Show (Presenter)	The British Council
2000 - 2009	Woman Of the Year Awards (Host)	
1997 - 2000	GLR Afternoon Show (Host)	
1998	Crazy Sexy Cool	Coach Potato Television
1994 - 1996	Badass TV (Host)	Channel 4
1994	Backstage at the Brits (Host)	Initial TV/ Carlton
1993	Native Tongues	

RADIO

DATE	PRODUCTION (ROLE)	COMPANY
2018	Olly Smiths Taste of Christmas (Guest)	BBCR2
2018	Womans Hour (Guest)	BBCR4

2018	The Food Programme (Guest)	BBCR4
2018	Where's the F in News Podcast (Guest)	Avalon
2017	Word of Mouth	BBCR4
2017	A Good Read	BBCR4
2013 - Present	The Kitchen Cabinet (Guest)	BBC Radio 4

THEATRE

DATE	PRODUCTION (ROLE)
2002	The Vagina Monologues (Cast)