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WinSport Legacy Gala bringing out some of Calgary's top chefs

CALGARY, Alta. – WinSport is excited to officially launch ticket sales for the 2016 WinSport Legacy Gala, which takes place on April 14 at the Markin MacPhail Centre.

The third annual Legacy Gala will feature some of the best cuisine in the city prepared by more than a dozen of Calgary's most distinguished chefs. Guests will be taken back to the 1930s and will join Olympians in a vintage circus-themed evening where they'll indulge in the chefs' delicacies, witness jaw-dropping bizarre circus acts and partake in authentic midway games and a live auction.

Tickets for the WinSport Gala are priced at \$200 and go on sale today at ticketmaster.ca.

The WinSport Legacy Gala is a celebration of winter sport, with a focus on helping to fund the development of young athletes who train at WinSport and WinSport Canmore. The Gala has a profound impact on Canadian athletes striving to achieve the highest level of success in their sport. All of the net proceeds from the Legacy Gala are invested directly into athletes and athlete development — in programs, coaching, equipment and/or bursaries — to help athletes reach their potential. None of the proceeds are spent on overhead, administration or general operating costs.

"This year's Gala is bringing out some of the most talented chefs in the city and will be a memorable evening of amazing food entertainment," says WinSport President and CEO Barry Heck. "It's a great opportunity to not only meet Canadian Olympians, but to also support our next generation of Canadian athletes striving to achieve the highest level of success in their sport."

More than a dozen Canadian athletes have confirmed their participation in the event, including our own ring mistress extraordinaire and Olympic silver medallist Helen Upperton.

"This will be a remarkable evening, combining some of the best cuisine in the city and sport in an entertaining, classic circus theme," said Upperton. "As an Olympic medallist, I understand what it takes to become a world-class athlete. It's important for all of us to help our future Canadian athletes reach their full potential and be the best they can be."

WinSport executive chef Liana Robberecht will join an amazing array of Calgary's top chefs in creating their finest signature dishes. The all-star cast of chefs includes Roy Oh (Anju Restaurant and Lounge), Pierre A. Lamielle (Top Chef Canada season four and Chopped Canada), Judy Wood (Meez Cuisine), Rogelio Herrera (ALLOY), Andrea Harling (Made Foods), Cam Dobranski (The Brasserie and Winebar), Nicole Fewell (Porter's Tonic), Duncan Ly (Vintage Group), Jamie Harling (ROUGE), Connie DeSousa and Jessica Pelland (CHARCUT / Charbar) and more.

About WinSport

WinSport provides world-class sport facilities where Canadian athletes can discover, develop and excel. WinSport owns and operates Canada Olympic Park in Calgary, Alta., the Bill Warren Training Centre located at the Canmore Nordic Centre and the Beckie Scott High Performance Training Centre on Haig Glacier, Alta. A not-for-profit organization, WinSport supports national sport organizations, encourages educational opportunities and subsidizes the operation of unique training and recreational facilities used by the nation's top athletes and the general public. For more information on WinSport please visit www.winsport.ca.

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