

## **BAKING EXPERTS CREATE HOLIDAY MASTERPIECES THAT MAKE DREAMS COME TRUE IN NEW SERIES *HOLIDAY COOKIE BUILDS***

*Season Premieres Friday, November 9<sup>th</sup> at 10:00pm ET/7:00pm PT on Cooking Channel*

**NEW YORK – October 9, 2018** – Salt Lake City-based friends and baking experts **Brenda Nibley** and **Alisha Nuttall** transform their clients' wildest requests into edible masterpieces for the holidays, in the new series *Holiday Cookie Builds*, premiering Friday, November 9<sup>th</sup> at 10pm ET/7pm PT on Cooking Channel. Over six half-hour episodes, Alisha and Brenda dream up incredible cookie designs, and with the help of their Gingerbread Dream Team of amazing bakers and even a carpenter, create decadent treats in time for their clients' events. Other edible creations this season include a five-foot-tall nutcracker, a life-sized turkey, a replica of Salt Lake City's famous clock tower, and a motorized basketball-themed Santa Claus cookie complete with fruit-flavored basketball cake pops.

"Surrounded by family and friends, the holidays are the perfect time to indulge with decadent and dazzling sweets," said Courtney White, General Manager and Executive Vice President, Programming, Food Network and HGTV. "Viewers will be amazed at Brenda and Alisha's ability to conceptualize and create these magical cookie builds, bringing a smile to the child inside all of us."

In the premiere episode Brenda Nibley and Alisha Nuttall are commissioned by a local figure skating team to make a giant edible skating rink with fondant figurines for a surprise party for their beloved coach. The cake artists figure out how to make the skaters move on the ice, while also including mint chocolate thumbprint cookies for all to enjoy. Later, a nonprofit organization requests a unique way to get kids excited about seasonal fruits and veggies for an upcoming cooking class. Brenda and Alisha must create an incredible life-size turkey and cornucopia with winter produce all made from rice cereal. Other episodes include Alisha and Brenda creating a five-foot-long replica of their local Main Street decked out as a winter wonderland, featuring 14 gingerbread buildings in early 20<sup>th</sup> century Americana style, along with layered peppermint bark treats for all. And when Brenda and Alisha are tasked with building a replica of a 150-year-old log cabin for a holiday fundraiser, the cookie team goes to great lengths to create edible art and tiny fondant furniture that will delight all. Throughout the season, Brenda and Alisha prove if you can dream it, they can build it -- and then you can eat it, too!

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