

The Future of Food

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The 9th Annual Food Industry Conference

@ the JW Marriott Chicago April 19, 2018

The Grilling Station - a pre-conference event ([info & app link @ bit.ly/GrillingStationPitchInfo](http://bit.ly/GrillingStationPitchInfo))

9:30 am Registration Check-in Opens

10:00 - 10:15 am **Early Stage Investment Trends in the Food Industry**

presented by Andrew Whitman, 2xPartners

10:15 - 11:00 am **A Pitch Slam of Early Stage Food Companies**

11:10 - 11:25 am **The Do's and Do not's of Pitching an Early Stage Company**

presented by Jason Starr, CompanyFirst

11:25 - 11:30 am **Announcement of the 2018 Grilling Station Winning Pitch**

Conference Speakers

Stan Chia, COO
GrubHub Inc.

Lynn Dornblaser, Director of
Innovation & Insight
Mintel Group Inc.

Bruce Finkelman
Managing Director

16 on Center/Revival Food Hall

Andrew Friedman, Founder
Amplify Snack Brands, Inc.
(Skinny Pop)

Seth Goldman
Cofounder & TeaEO Emeritus
Honest Tea
Executive Chairman
Beyond Meat

Ken Plasse, CEO
Fishpeople Seafood

Luke Saunders, CEO
Farmer's Fridge

Kurt Seidensticker
CEO & Founder
Vital Proteins

Eric Schnell, CEO
Beyond Brands & Good Catch

Jason Starr
Managing Director
CompanyFirst

Andrew Whitman
Managing Partner
2X Partners

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11:30 - 1:15 pm **Grazing & Networking Lunch**

1:15 - 1:25 pm **Welcome & Opening Comments**

1:25 - 1:45 pm **Food in the 21st Century**

Lynn Dornblaser / Mintel Group, Inc.

1:45 - 2:05 pm **Keynote: The GrubHub Story**

Stan Chia / GrubHub Inc.

2:05 - 3:00 pm **No Longer Alternatives: Dramatic Changes of how we deliver, what we deliver & the Future of Food**

Bruce Finkelman / 16 on Center

Luke Sanders / Farmers Fridge, and

Ken Plasse / Fishpeople Seafood

3:00 - 3:20 pm **Networking Break**

3:20 - 3:40 pm **Keynote: Passionate Growth of a Brand**

Seth Goldman / Honest Tea & BeyondMeats

3:40 - 4:20 pm **Plant Based Foods**

Eric Schnell / Beyond Brands & Good Catch

Andy Whitmen / 2X Partners

4:20 - 5:00 pm **More Amazing Growth Stories**

Kurt Seidensticker / Vital Proteins

Andrew Friedman / Amplify Snack Brands (Skinny Pop)

5:00 - 6:30 pm **Networking Cocktail Reception** [Join Us!](#)