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Lloyd Hopes to *Sweet Talk* You Through the Winter



A virtual panel discussion

**February 25
7-8 p.m.**

**Registration
Required**

This winter is all about staying in and finding cozy distractions. It is the perfect time to find comfort in sweet treats. Whether you are a baker or simply a dessert enthusiast, *Sweet Talk* will deliver. Lloyd Executive Director Patricia Van Skaik sits down with Sharon Butler of The BonBonerie, Chaske Haverkos of Brown Bear Bakery and Erica Ward of Erica Patricia Sweets to discuss the delicious depths of desserts. The bakers will share their favorite ingredients, techniques, and adventures in the kitchen. They will also reflect on the broader impact of baked goods and their work in the Greater Cincinnati Area.

[Register here.](#)

About the Panelists

Sharon Butler, Co-owner of The BonBonerie



The BonBonerie began as a custom dessert company to supply local restaurants with desserts without a storefront for their first five years in business. Over the past 37 years, Butler and partner, Mary Pat Pace, crafted The BonBonerie to include a bakery with a full line of pastries, cookies, cakes and breakfast foods, a Cafe that serves breakfast and lunch and a Tearoom where tea parties, events and classes are held. It's always evolving, but their philosophy has remained the same: live and learn, have fun along the way and try to make everything beautiful and delicious.

Chaske Haverkos, Co-owner of Brown Bear Bakery



Chaske and Brown Bear Bakery co-owner, Blair Fornsell, began making the outdoor market circuit in 2012, bringing their thoughtfully made pastries and baked goods to an enthusiastic audience. They describe their operation as 'yin' and 'yang'-- she is the culinary leader, while Chaske manages the front of house, striving to provide a customer service experience equally as enjoyable as the pastries are delicious. Using seasonal and locally sourced ingredients, they now operate a popular bakery in Over-the-Rhine, soon celebrating its fifth anniversary.

Erica Ward, Owner of Erica Patricia Sweets



A Cincinnati native, Erica has always had a passion for cooking and entertaining. Jumping into food service at a young age, she found an immediate pull towards baking. Her love for entertaining and feeding the masses transitioned into a home-based event planning and catering service. The drive to learn classical culinary techniques landed her at Midwest Culinary Institute certifying as a culinarian and a pastry chef. During her tenure in school, her business transitioned from full scale events and catering to wedding cakes and desserts. Additionally, she had the opportunity to study abroad in France to refine those culinary skills.

Stepping away from full time baking, she is currently focusing on writing a cookbook and rebranding as Erica Patricia Sweets.

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