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HUMAN CHRISTMAS TREES BRING SEASONAL FOOD TO LIFE AT MIDLANDS RESTAURANT

World-renowned make-up artist, Iain Burton-Legge, is combining food and performance art with the creation of human Christmas trees for a Worcestershire restaurant this winter. His designs will be unveiled on stage at this year's BBC Good Food Show at Birmingham's NEC as part of Destination Worcestershire's activities.

Two young models, Charmi Stone and Josie Holloway, both tipped for the top in 2010, will be 'decorated' as sugar and spice in costumes best described as 'burlesque meets avant-garde'. They are bringing to life festive varieties of the Worcestershire Dunker – the world's most dunkable biscuit created by celebrity chef, Felice Tocchini of Fusion Brasserie in Stoulton.

Felice has developed a Frosted Sugar Dunker together with a Chocolate Cinnamon Dunker – perfect for after-dinner coffee and, in true Italian style, also created to dunk in champagne!

Iain, who also runs Circle Creatif, a unique London entertainment creative agency, has worked with the likes of Kylie, Beyonce and Victoria Beckham. He is creating an all-white ice queen-inspired outfit for Frosted Sugar complete with dramatic, full-length ermine coat. The Spice outfit will be all black incorporating ribbons and real spices. Both will have jewellery fashioned out of the Dunkers themselves plus show-stopping make-up.

The models will feature at the restaurant as the focus of their Christmas celebrations with the added benefit of being able to move from table to table unlike traditional decorations. Commenting on the decision, Felice Tocchini said:

“Fusion Brasserie is known for offering something a little different. Our human Christmas trees will bring a smile to our diners, whatever their age. It also means we won't have to deal with shedding needles or the perennial problem of how to get rid of your tree once Christmas is over”.

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