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What can Food Design do?

The Food Design practice is a very versatile discipline that enhances our relationship with what we eat in various ways. It combines creativity and innovation to create sensory and visually appealing culinary experiences, improve nutrition and develop sustainable food practices. It could influence anything from restaurant menus and product development to food art, packaging and educational initiatives, making food more enjoyable, healthy and impactful across various aspects of our lives.

What makes a food designer?

Typically, a food designer is a creative chef who combines culinary expertise, artistic flair and a deep understanding of ingredients to craft innovative and visually appealing food experiences. They often focus on stimulating the senses, and sometimes promoting health and sustainability. They could also collaborate across various disciplines to design and present food in unique and engaging ways that captivate consumers.

1. "Harvest Feast" ceramic installation. Photo credits: Paola Sakr

2. "Cloudy with a Chance of Rain" - in the picture, the set of four maamouls with the molds surrounding it.

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