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Rest In Peace "Garlic Man" Ted Maczka



One of the highlights of the annual Perth Garlic Festival each August is dropping in to say hello to "The Garlic Man", Ted Maczka, holding court in the Commerce Building.

You had to wait your turn as he often attracted a crowd - dieheart garlic lovers and the to-be-converted alike - but he was happy to have you

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Welcome to my food world here in Ottawa. I love playing at home in my 'test' kitchen but I so appreciate going out and experiencing our top-notch restaurant scene too. My education at the University of Waterloo afforded me a wonderful career in Information Technology, with time spent in both Toronto and Ottawa. My food hobby from that era is now more of my day to day life. Both my husband and darling son are foodies too. We have enjoyed traveling and eating in some breathtaking places around the world, allowing us to sample a taste of the global cuisine. My love for food goes back to my childhood. I grew up with a huge garden of fruits and vegetables. The cow and pig in our freezer were our own. I respect the food traditions I have inherited and enjoy putting them in a modern day context.

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listen in as he evangelized the many redeeming qualities of the stinky rose.

I was saddened to read today of Maczka's passing on Monday. He was only 83 years old.

Long before *social media* was a thing, the mildly eccentric Ted Maczka was a marvel at spreading the good news about garlic, elevating it as a worthy essential in our pantries and kitchens.

Stephanie MacLellan, Staff Reporter at The Star wrote a [thoughtful piece](#) about Ted Maczka in today's paper.

Rest in peace Ted. I'm thinking that heaven is smelling pretty good right now.

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