

Chef Vince Howard: A Denver Staple

A native of Oklahoma City, Vince Howard found his passion watching his grandmother Hazel effortlessly craft delicious, love-backed meals. Over a decade ago, he launched his career in Oklahoma City's flagship restaurants before moving to Los Angeles, where he explored elevated cooking techniques. His eyes were opened working at places like Strand House and Tar & Roses in Santa Monica.

In the fall of 2012, Vince took his heart, soul, and passion and opened Del Rey Deli near the Pacific Ocean. He created a neighborhood spot offering delicious, accessible foods, including fresh pastries, breads, seasonal soups, and sandwiches—a concept that would shape his future.

Vince moved to Denver in 2018, bringing his refined vision to Park Hill. Tessa Delicatessen opened on East Colfax, and over the past six years, it has grown into a beloved neighborhood staple and culinary destination. Vince has firmly established himself as a pillar in the Denver food community, serving accessible comfort food he is known for. Tessa Delicatessen continues to inspire loyalty, offering new specials daily alongside its acclaimed menu of fresh pastries, breads, sandwiches, and salads—all delivered with the large amounts of love Vince learned from his grandmother Hazel.



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Work Information

Employer		Work Address	
Position		Work City	
Business Phone #		Work State	
Work Email		Work Zip	

Additional Information

Work or home in Denver		Objection to appointment?	No
Are you a registered voter?		Special Information	
If so, what county?		Registered Lobbyist	No
Denver City Council District No	9	Conflict of Interest	No

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Education and General Qualifications

Name of High School		Name of Graduate School
Location of High School		Location of Graduate School
# of Years Attended High school		# of Years Attended Graduate School
Did you Graduate High School	Yes	Did you Graduate
Name of College		Graduate Major
Location of College		
# of Years Attended College		
Did you Graduate College		
Undergrad Major		

Reference Details

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