

## **Honouring the Legacy of Chef Patrick O'Brien OAM**

Chef Patrick O'Brien OAM was a distinguished figure in the Australian culinary scene, celebrated for his dedication to the hospitality industry and his role as a mentor to many. As the Director of the Australian Culinary Federation (ACF) in Western Australia and a National Life Member, Patrick's influence was profound and far-reaching.

In recognition of his significant contributions, Patrick was awarded the Medal of the Order of Australia (OAM) in June 2023, highlighting his service to the hospitality sector.

Tragically, Patrick passed away suddenly in Singapore in October 2024. His unexpected departure prompted an outpouring of tributes from the culinary community, with many recalling his kindness, mentorship, and unwavering passion for the industry.

Patrick's legacy continues to inspire chefs and hospitality professionals across Australia and beyond. His commitment to excellence and education has left an indelible mark on the culinary world, ensuring that his influence will be felt for generations to come.

