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Eat Offbeat: Refugee Chefs in New York City

VIDEO

REFUGEE CHEFS COOKING IN
KITCHEN

AUDIO

TEXT ON SCREEN

THESE VARIOUS ETHNIC DISHES
ARE BEING COOKED BY
REFUGEES FROM ELEVEN
DIFFERENT COUNTRIES IN A
SMALL KITCHEN, 'EAT OFFBEAT',
IN NEW YORK CITY.

MANAL KAHI
CO-FOUNDER & CEO OF EAT
OFFBEAT

MANAL ON-CAMERA

MANAL: (In English) F

"Eat Offbeat delivers authentic ethnic meals that are conceived, prepared, and delivered by refugees who settled here in New York City. We hire passionate home cooks and train them to become professional chefs. We deliver their food in the way they cook at home to New Yorkers all over the city. We mostly deliver to groups of 10 people and more. We've done small dinners of 10 but we've also done large events of 700 or 800

people.” (52)

ROSE: (In English) F

ROSE COOKING

“My name is Rose. I am from Central African Republic. I came here in 2007. I was a refugee in another country, Cameroon. UNHCR (UN Refugee Agency) got me in Cameroon and the American Government chose me to come to the US. I like working here because they are so nice, organized, and clean. We work like a family. I am planning to cook Cassava leaves with peanut butter. In my country, we like sauce with peanuts a lot.” (35)

ROSE ON-CAMERA

CHEFS COOKING

BAHIA: (In English) M

BAHIA ON-CAMERA

“My name is Bahia. I am from Algeria. I’ve been here for five months. For me, food is a way of expression. It’s the face of a culture of any country. We can’t let it apart from the whole identity. I want them to think of us as people.” (22)

FOOTAGE OF THE EVENT

TEXT ON SCREEN

TO THANK NEW YORKERS, EAT
OFFBET ORGANIZED AN EVENT
WHERE THE CHEFS SERVED
THEIR FOOD AND SHARED THEIR
THOUGHTS ON WHAT IT MEANS
TO HAVE NEW YORK’S SUPPORT.

MANAL: (In English) F

“What we are seeing happen at the kitchen is highly passionate and talented people who want to share, who have something they brought along with them and who want to share that. We are

MANAL ON-CAMERA

trying to provide a platform for that to happen. // For our chefs, it is very important for them to feel welcomed but when they know that Americans are not just saying welcome but they are eating and loving their food, it also gives them ultimate symbol of acceptance. It's really about communication on both sides. Someone is cooking and the other is eating, that creates communication between the both sides." (37)

TEXT ON SCREEN

ACCORDING TO THE UN
REFUGEE AGENCY (UNHCR),
OVER 65 MILLION PEOPLE
AROUND THE WORLD HAVE BEEN
FORCED FROM THEIR HOMES.
AMONG THEM ARE 21 MILLION
REFUGEES.

UN LOGO

MUSIC

"A Look Out" by Appearing from Artist
00:28-02:46 (02:17)