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Author of the Entrée Press "Play with your food!" Series of Interactive Cookbooks

Quentin Erickson was born and raised in western Minnesota. He began a life-long love affair with great cuisine during a hitch in the US Navy in the late 1950's, traveling the world and sampling memorable cuisine. After leaving the Navy, Erickson embarked on a decades-long career selling textbooks coast-to-coast, dining in every conceivable type and style of restaurant across the United States. He now lives in Lakeville, Minn.

Erickson's hobby has always been collecting, creating, modifying, fine-tuning and cooking recipes drawn from his travels, with a focus on the unusual, the outlandish and the novel. Early on, he found that he derived more satisfaction from experimentation than with following the "paint-by-numbers" method.

After his retirement from book sales in 2003, it was a natural progression for him to combine his love for cooking and his love of books. In 2007, he created a cookbook that was distributed to friends and family for the holidays, and the reaction was so positive that a publishing company was founded to bring his extensive, time-tested recipe collection and unique cooking perspective to a wider audience.

Substituting ingredients, altering ingredient amounts, changing cooking methods—it has all become his happy obsession. As a result of his on-going experimentation, Erickson has become a better cook, has a lot more fun in the kitchen, and his palate has become much more refined. He believes that other home cooks can and will achieve these same benefits by embracing an adventurous attitude.

Erickson suggests that cooks explore, experiment, be bold and find inspiration in the subtle and the obvious. Cooking is a journey whose path can be both sweet and savory and whose destination is satisfaction. When cooks pour their hearts and souls into cooking, the rewards are immense.

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