

## Dawn Sabath

## **Owner/Executive Chef**

Her drive, determination, and care about providing people with good food, pushed her to build a bistro program in the Florida panhandle more than 16 years ago. While building the program, she met Florida restaurateurs and ended up working as a chef for Tim Creehan owner of Beachwalk, Chan Cox owner of Wine World, restauranter Jim Altamura owner of Marina Café, and celebrity chef, restaurateur, television personality, and cookbook author Emeril Lagasse. It was this intersection of food, people, culture, and hosting that has been at the heart of what drives Chef Sabath's inspirations.

One of her favorite quotes is from the late Anthony Bourdain, who said, ""I, personally, think there is a real danger of taking food too seriously. Food should be part of the bigger picture." "I think food, culture, people and landscape are all absolutely inseparable."

Taking over as the executive chef of the Rawls has been a dream come true for Sabath. "I really care about the food we put out because the Rawls has always been a social and culinary landmark, and our team strives to continue that tradition," she said. "When people share a meal together, it is an experience. Along with our traditional fare, we plan to explore cuisines of different cultures for our customers to experience the diversity of our world."