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15 Superheroes of the Dallas–Fort Worth Dining Scene

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It only takes one look at the billion-dollar box office to realize that summer is superhero season. Battling super villains and the occasional alien race set on destroying Planet Earth on the big screen, these extraordinary men and women work tirelessly to serve the people. The same can be said for our fair city's hospitality heroes, each armed with his or her own unique superpowers for upholding truth, justice and the American way of eating and drinking. Here are 15 of the most incredible culinary crusaders.

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The hero: Nico "Pied Piper of Peppers" Sanchez

His lair: [MesoMaya](#)

Superpowers: Maintaining a garden of colorful peppers, onions, tomatoes and squash and using the ingredients of his homeland to bring Dallas a more authentic Mexican food experience. He also works with Fundacion ERA, a non-profit that collects coats and shoes in the summer to distribute to needy children in Mexico each winter. He also mentors young professionals in the Dallas restaurant scene.

Origin story: Sanchez perfected his skills in Mexico, learning everything he could about seafood, dried chiles, homemade sauces and tamale making. After working under some of Dallas' most celebrated chefs, including David McMillan and Nick Badovinus, he was brought on board to make MesoMaya an exemplary interior Mexican dining experience.

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