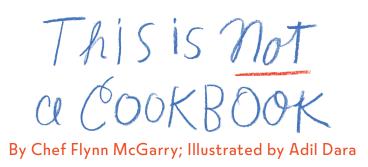
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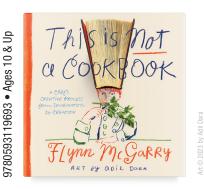
## You probably know many of these ideas—but here are my TOP TEN

- **1.** Most art forms require tools and specialized skills.
- **2.** Conformity is one of the great enemies of creativity.
- **3.** It can take years to realize a creative dream.
- **4.** One of the best ways to inspire creativity is to identify your problems, prejudices, and dislikes and use them to create something that brings you joy.
- **5.** In many ways, food is related to art and design. All three rely on the same basic principles in the creative process.
- **6.** Nature is the center of many art forms. The colors inspire paintings. The sounds inspire music. The flavors inspire food.
- 7. Community is an essential part of any craft. Be it coworkers, family, or friends, having a network of people you can rely on can make a huge difference.
- 8. As I started to look for beauty in natural imperfection, I found my style of food changing, as well as my attitude toward it.
- **9.** The creative process is filled with reinvention: even after you reach the goal you've set for yourself, there will continue to be endless things to create.
- **10.** All I needed to open my eyes to creativity was a spoon instead of a paintbrush.

NOW OVER TO YOU — Let your creativity flow!

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