

BRANDON CHROSTOWSKI

Keynote Speaker | Chef | Entrepreneur | CNN Hero



In 20 years of hosting speakers,
I have never seen Yale students
laugh and cry the way they did
during Brandon's speech.

Shmully Hecht
Co-founder, *The Jewish Society at Yale*

POWERFUL INSIGHT FROM THE MAN WHO IS CHANGING THE FACE OF REENTRY IN AMERICA

The man who turned incarceration into inspiration through perseverance, passion and purpose, Brandon Chrostowski, founder and CEO of EDWINS Leadership & Restaurant Institute has started a revolution in social enterprise through his groundbreaking culinary arts training program. He's gone on to electrify crowds nationwide with his story of redemption and lessons on leadership.

KEYNOTE TOPICS

A more powerful yes!

The philosophy behind rebuilding the human spirit in a world designed to hasten the demise of returning citizens.

The power of perspective

Understanding our returning citizens on a personal level and working to erase stigma.

A new social entrepreneurship

The unique style of leadership that changed the face of re-entry in America.

IN THE MEDIA

CNN
New York Times
Forbes
Washington Post

ABC
NPR
The New Yorker
NBC

Featured in *Knife Skills*, 2018 Academy Award nominee, Best Documentary Short Film.

AWARDS

- 2016 CNN Hero, The Richard Cornuelle Award
- Featured speaker for TEDx, the US Senate, and more.
- Steve Harvey's Hero

"Knife Skills is the compelling, funny, heartbreakingly human story of one such place."

—Anthony Bourdain