

## *Celebrity Chef - Soodsawat-Ooy-Rigg*

Soodsawat-Ooy-Rigg has been on BBC Radio Cumbria 3 times, Abbey FM twice, Thai TV, she was one of the the main demo chefs at the Levens Chilli Festival, she has appeared at the York Food Festival, she was one of the celebrity chefs demonstrating at the Westmorland Show, she was the main demo chef at Taste of Cumbria Food Festival in Cockermouth, she was the only demo chef at AWAZ Cumbria October 2010 and she has recently demonstrated at the Tatton Park North West Food Lovers Festival.

She has cooked with Dave Myers "Hairy Bikers" and many others including Mom Luang Tanatsee Sawatwat (world's top Thai food critic and Thai TV chef).

She is the current winner of the Food North West Award for Skills, she is the current O2 North West Female Entrepreneur of the Year, she is the current SMARTA 100 winner for the top 100 new businesses, she is a gold medal winner for education at the 2009 British Female Inventors & Innovators Network, she was runner up at the recent Ethnic Minority Business Forum Awards for Social Enterprise of the Year, runner up at the Cumbria Community Awards and is now short listed for the CN Group Business Awards for Community project of the Year.

She has just opened the World's first Northern Thai style Khantoke restaurant outside of Thailand & a Brazilian Rodizio Churascaria BBQ restaurant, and operates the only Asian & Oriental Community Cooking school in the UK. She has appeared at over 1100 schools and events with her unique educational & funny Multicultural cooking road show.

Chef Ooy can also be seen doing traditional Thai dancing with her team of Oriental dancers and perform an interactive cooking demo that will have the audience in stitches with her stories about early life in Thailand to running of 16 restaurants.

Over 400,000 people has seen her totally unique live shows & demos and she is shortly making an 18 part TV series called "Ooy cooks with strange people" "Ooy cooks in strange places" "Ooy cooks with strange food" and she is doing a pilot one off called "OOY Licence to KOOK" Congratulations!

"Chef Ooy" has also become CN Group winner of "Business Woman of the Year 2010" at a prestigious event at Rhegged, Penrith UK .