RALEIGH, N.C. — Chef Scott Crawford announces his next restaurant project — Crawford Cookshop — opening at 401 Main Street in Clayton, NC in Summer 2021. "This is by far my most casual concept yet, and an opportunity to support a burgeoning small town like the one I grew up in," explained Crawford, nostalgically. "I think this family-friendly concept — located in a really charming old building in the center of this quintessential small Southern town — will be a great fit for the Clayton community."

Scott Crawford will lend his signature "superstar" style to this approachable menu at Crawford Cookshop offering simple and delicious "Americana" style cooking from a wood fired grill. Diners will discover house-ground burgers, smoked chicken, chicken and duck wings, smoked duck, beef and pork ribs, and seasonal vegetables for salads. Regular weekly specials will introduce items like Crawford's Fried Chicken and Prime Rib. Dishes will be designed for dine-in, take-out and delivery, with a twenty-mile delivery radius, also reaching fans in Fuquay-Varina and Garner, for instance. "And if you were one of the lucky ones to have the fried chicken offered to-go from **Crawford & Son** recently, then you've had a taste of what's to come at Crawford Cookshop! Stay tuned for more preview dishes from Crawford Cookshop available to-go from Crawford & Son Curbside Pop Up in the coming months."

"I'm pleased to be working with the Atlas Stark team on the building, and again with Louis Cherry Architecture on the interior and exterior design," explained Crawford. With 3000 square feet indoors and 1000 outdoors, Crawford Cookshop will boast a bright, airy floor plan, large U-shaped bar and garage doors which fully open to the covered and heated patio.

Scott Crawford is the Chef/Owner of award-winning **Crawford and Son** and **Jolie** in Raleigh. A five-time James Beard Foundation semifinalist for "Best Chef: Southeast," Crawford earned the coveted Forbes Five-Star award at three properties prior to introducing Crawford Hospitality, and has earned accolades such as Esquire "Best New Restaurant," Newsweek's "101 Best Places to Eat in the World," Triangle Business Journal's "CEO of the Year" and the News & Observer's "Restaurant of the Year." His leadership extends beyond the kitchen; he serves on the Honorary Committee of Healing Transitions – a place for recovery in downtown Raleigh, on The Sunday Supper board, and was the Founder of the Ben's Friends Raleigh chapter, and is committed to cultivating a healthy work-life balance in the culinary industry, and mentoring food and beverage professionals. Crawford Hospitality will welcome Crawford Cookshop in Clayton, NC in Summer 2021 and Crawford Brothers Steakhouse in Cary's new Fenton in 2022.

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