



## Our History

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Open since 2005, Zest Japanese Cuisine is an amalgamation of coincidence and destiny. Executive Chef Yoshiaki Maniwa was eager to bring to Vancouver a dining concept that would raise the bar of perceived Japanese cuisine. He found investors who shared that vision and he also recognised the talent of a young chef by the name of Taiki Sugimoto. Taiki had just emigrated from Chiba, (Central/East Japan) and has a passion for creative cuisine – how many Japanese chefs worked in a Japanese-based Italian restaurant? Maniwa and crew went to work and found the location that was to become Zest and a new home of fine Japanese cuisine in Vancouver.

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