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## Bad Food: Tales From The Dark Side of China's Restaurant Industry

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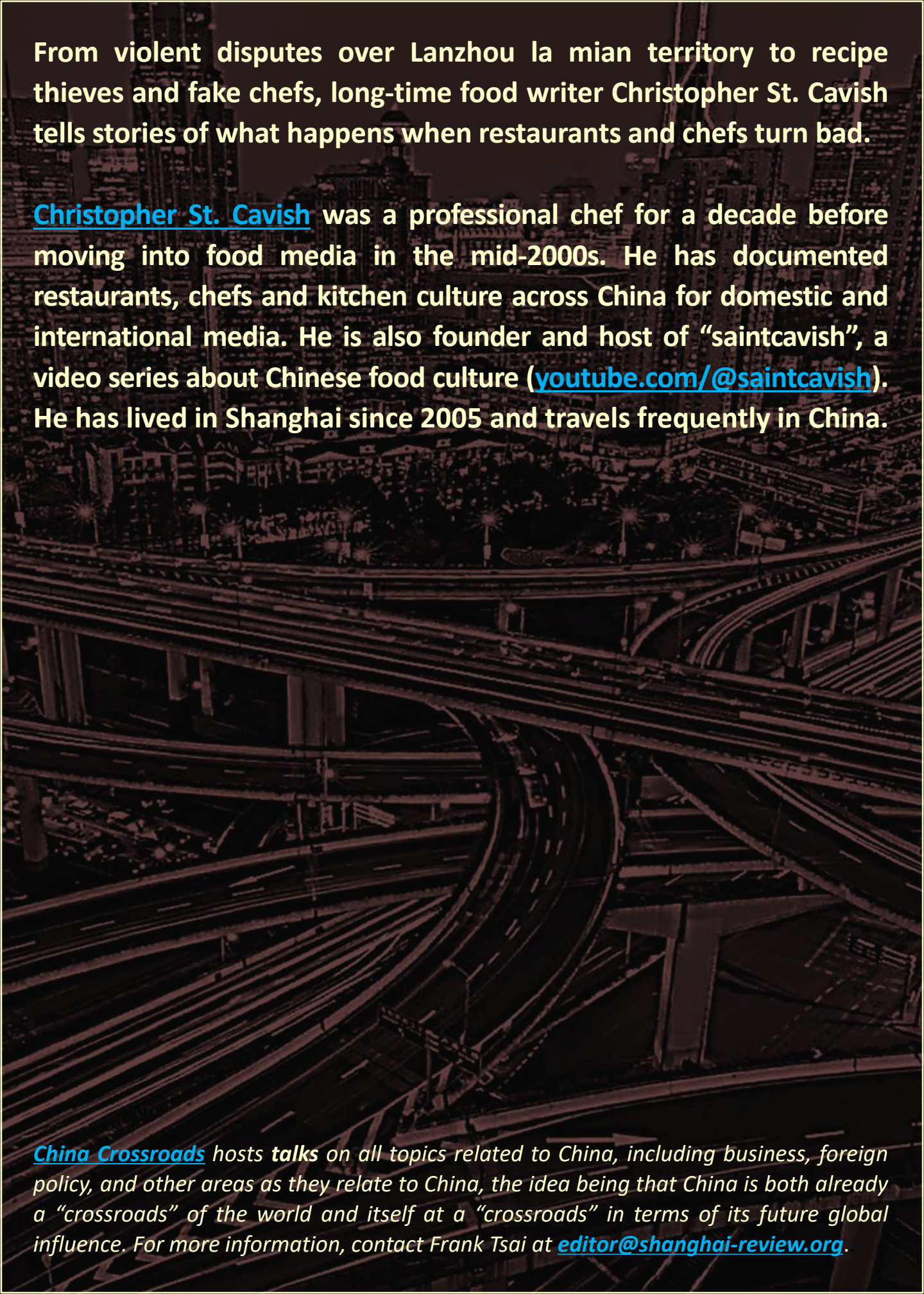
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From violent disputes over Lanzhou la mian territory to recipe thieves and fake chefs, long-time food writer Christopher St. Cavish tells stories of what happens when restaurants and chefs turn bad.

[Christopher St. Cavish](#) was a professional chef for a decade before moving into food media in the mid-2000s. He has documented restaurants, chefs and kitchen culture across China for domestic and international media. He is also founder and host of “saintcavish”, a video series about Chinese food culture ([youtube.com/@saintcavish](https://youtube.com/@saintcavish)). He has lived in Shanghai since 2005 and travels frequently in China.

[China Crossroads](#) hosts talks on all topics related to China, including business, foreign policy, and other areas as they relate to China, the idea being that China is both already a “crossroads” of the world and itself at a “crossroads” in terms of its future global influence. For more information, contact Frank Tsai at [editor@shanghai-review.org](mailto:editor@shanghai-review.org).