

2012 Geyserville Chamber of Commerce

Amateur Winemaker's Entry Form

Entrants may come from Residents all over Sonoma County

TO ALL AMATEUR WINEMAKERS in Sonoma County:

If you are home or garage winemaker, the **GEYSERVILLE CHAMBER** would like to cordially invite you to enter your wine in this year's Annual Geyserville Amateur Wine Competition.

ENTRIES CLOSE: Saturday, February 4, 5:00 p.m.

JUDGING: Wednesday, February 8. *No results will be given by phone.*

Results will be announced at the Geyserville Chamber Awards Dinner, at the Geyserville Inn, on Wednesday, March 7.

EXHIBITS RELEASED: Unopened bottles will be available for pick up at the Chamber Awards Dinner on March 7, or anytime after that from the Hope-Merrill House. **PLEASE CALL BEFORE GOING OVER TO MAKE SURE THAT THERE WILL BE SOMEONE THERE TO ASSIST YOU (Ron at: 707-857-1724).**

LIMIT: None

ENTRY FEE: \$8.00 per entry, each entry consists of two bottles.

Deliver all entries to Bosworth & Sons at 21060 Geyserville Avenue, Geyserville

RULES

- A. An amateur is one who makes wine as a hobby.
- B. An amateur is 21 years of age and over who does not have an enology degree, nor works in a winery in any winemaking capacity.
- C. Entrant may come from anywhere in Sonoma County.
- D. An entry consists of two bottles per entry.
- E. Label: Identify each bottle of wine with exhibitor name/winery, class number and wine type prior to delivery.
- F. Percent residual sugar in white and fortified wines must be listed on the entry form.
- G. Exhibits that are not picked up within the release time will be discarded. Results will be available at the Geyserville Chamber Awards Dinner or upon request.
- H. Written judges' critique of each wine will be available to the exhibitor of the wine.

24 Point System Judging System

Medals offered: Best of Show, Per class medals: Gold, Silver, Bronze

Perpetual Trophies: Best of Class for all Whites, Best of Class for all Reds

Sample 1" x 2 5/8" Label
Wannabee Winemaker
Class # 17
2009 Zinfandel

CATEGORIES:

FORTIFIED WINES

1. Angelica, Port, Sherry, etc. (please identify on entry form)

FRUIT WINES

2. Apple, Berry, Citrus, etc. (please describe on entry form)

PINK WINES

3. Blanc de Noirs
4. Generic Rose

16. Syrah

17. Zinfandel

18. Bordeaux Blends (Meritage, etc.)

19. Any Other red varietal (please identify on entry form)

SPARKLING WINES

21. All Sparkling Wines (please identify on entry form)

WHITE WINES

22. Chardonnay

5. White Zinfandel
6. Any other Varietal Rose (please identify)

RED WINES

7. Cabernet Franc
8. Cabernet Sauvignon 2007 or before (older)
9. Cabernet Sauvignon 2008 or later (younger)
10. Generic red wine (please identify on entry form)
11. Merlot
12. Petite Sirah
13. Pinot Noir
14. Rhone Types (Carignane, Mouvedre, etc. please identify)
15. Sangiovese

23. Generic White wine (please identify)
24. Gewurztraminer
25. Sauvignon Blanc
26. Meritage White
27. Chenin Blanc
28. Viognier
29. Any other white varietal (please identify)

LATE HARVEST WINES

40. White
41. Rose
42. Red

LABEL CONTEST:

This year we will also judge labels. Imagine having your very own “chateau d’ you”. This is an opportunity to call on the creative you.

Rules

- A. Any Amateur wine entry with a label is automatically considered in the Label Contest. Only those affixed on the bottle entered are eligible.
- B. No extra entry fee. Do not list on entry blank.
- C. Each label must contain the following information:
 - Name of Winery or Winemaker
 - Variety
 - Vintage

For some creative ideas check out the following sites on the internet:

homewinlabels.com, winelabels.org, winelabel.com, winemaking.jackkeller.net.

Judging will be done on Wednesday, February 8, by local winemakers and prominent individuals involved in the wine industry.

Winners will be announced at the ***[Geyserville Chamber Awards Dinner Meeting, On Wednesday, March 7.](#)*** Wines will be displayed during the cocktail hour. All winners will, at that time, receive their ribbons. The Best of Class winners will have their names engraved on the Perpetual Trophy. See the attached flyer of the dinner invitation and reservation form. All member and non-member exhibitors are invited to the dinner. Due to limited seating, reservations are required and sell-out quickly.

You can also download the dinner invitation and reservation form at: <http://amateur-wines.com>.

Written feedback by the judges will be available at the Chamber Awards Dinner or from Ron Scheiber at 707-857-1724 or info@amateur-wines.com.

We look forward to your participation. If you have any questions, please call: Ron or Cosette Scheiber at 707-857-1724; or Harry Bosworth at 707-857-3463.