

## ◆ DEPARTMENT S48 ◆ ◆ AMATEUR WINE COMPETITION ◆

The 2018 Amateur Wine Competition will be held on April 24<sup>th</sup>.  
Entry forms are available online ([www.sonoma-marinfair.org/entries/](http://www.sonoma-marinfair.org/entries/)) and at the Fair office in Petaluma. We encourage you to enter the 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Amateur Wine Competition in April 2018

ENTRIES OPEN	→	March 19, 2018
ENTRIES CLOSE	→	April 20, 2018
DELIVER ENTRIES TO	→	Fair Administration Office.
EXHIBITS RELEASED	→	Monday, June 25 <sup>th</sup> Showcase Bldg., 8:00 am-7:00 pm
ENTRY FEE	→	\$10.00 (each entry consists of 2 bottles)
ENTRY LIMIT	→	None

DANISH SYSTEM OF JUDGING – ROSETTES OFFERED PER CLASS

GOLD      SILVER      BRONZE

### RULES:

1. An amateur is 21 years of age and over who does not have an enology degree, or work at a winery in any winemaking capacity, and no part of their livelihood is derived from commercial wine production.
2. Competition is open to residents of the State of California.
3. An entry consist of two bottles of your wine.
4. Label: identify bottle with exhibitor name, class number & wine type prior to delivery.
5. Percent residual sugar in white wine must be listed on the entry form
6. Exhibits that are not picked up within the release time will be discarded.
7. When a class says "specify," you must identify the type of wine you are entering in that category.

### Amateur Wine Label Contest (no entry fee) – open to Amateur Wine Exhibitors

1. Any amateur wine entry with a label is automatically entered in the label contest.
2. Only those affixed on the bottles entered are eligible.
3. Label recognition will be awarded to the entrant of the wine, not the designer of the label.
4. Traditional Amateur Wine Label – to be judged on size, shape, composition and general appearance.
5. Novelty Amateur Wine Label – to be judged on originality, humor, composition and general appearance.
6. Each label must contain the following: name of winery or winemaker, variety, and vintage.

### AWARDS FOR WINE LABEL CONTEST

\$25 Cash Award & Rosette for Best of Show

## *Amateur Wines*

### Classes

#### **Fortified Wines**

- 1 Angelica, Port, Sherry, etc  
(Please specify on entry form)

#### **Non Grape Wines**

- 2 Fruit Wines (please specify)
- 3 Any other non-grape wine

#### **Pink Wines**

- 4 Blanc de Noirs
- 5 Rose Blends
- 6 White Zinfandel
- 7 Any other rose varietal (please specify)

#### **Red Wines**

- 8 Cabernet Franc
- 9 Cabernet Sauvignon 2004 & Younger
- 10 Cabernet Sauvignon 2005 & Older
- 11 Generic Red Wine (please specify)
- 12 Merlot
- 13 Petite Sirah
- 14 Pinot Noir
- 15 Sangiovese

### Classes

#### **Red Wines Continued**

- 16 Syrah/Shiraz
- 17 Zinfandel
- 18 Bordeaux Blends (Meritage, etc.)
- 19 Any other red varietal (please specify)

#### **Sparkling Wines**

- 20 All Sparkling Wines (please specify)

#### **White Wines**

- 21 Chardonnay
- 22 Generic White Wine (please specify)
- 23 Gewurztraminer
- 24 Sauvignon Blanc
- 25 Meritage White
- 26 Any Other White varietal (specify)

#### **Other**

- 27 Late Harvest Red
- 28 Late Harvest White
- 29 Dessert Wine Red
- 30 Dessert Wine White
- 31 Homemade Liquers

### **Interested in Sponsoring an Award?**

Becoming an Exhibits Sponsor is both  
**easy** and **rewarding!**

- Choose from a large variety of competitive Exhibit and livestock categories, including:

Baked Goods	Floriculture
Quilting	Photography
Poultry	Beadwork
Sculpture	Gardens
Livestock	Preserved Foods
Arts & Crafts	Woodworking

And More!

Becoming a sponsor is affordable, and there are many different levels of sponsorship to fit every budget. You can even provide items as awards – gift baskets, certificates, feed or baking essentials. Support your Community today!

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