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NEW YORK STATE FAIR  
581 STATE FAIR BOULEVARD  
SYRACUSE, NY 13209  
(315) 487-7711

August 26 through September 6, 2010

## **AMATEUR WINE COMPETITION**

**STATE OF NEW YORK**  
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**NEW YORK STATE FAIR  
AMATEUR WINE COMPETITION  
New York State Fairgrounds**

**Committee**

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**Exhibitor's Fee - \$10.00 for each two (2) bottle entry**  
**Make checks payable to the New York State Fair**  
Use the appropriate entry form

The New York State Fair is proud to announce the twenty-ninth annual New York State Fair Amateur Wine Competition. The judging will be held on Saturday, June 19, 2010 at the New York State Fairgrounds. The awards ceremony will be held in the Art and Home Center Theater on Sunday, August 29 – 12:00 noon.

<b>**HIGHLIGHTS FOR 2010**</b> <b>Best of Category &amp; Best of Show Kit Award</b>
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**SPECIAL RULES APPLY TO THIS DEPARTMENT**

Open to any Amateur Winemaker, 21 years or older, who is a resident of New York State.

1. No exhibitor shall be involved in commercial winemaking or use the services of a commercial winemaking facility. This is an amateur competition.
2. There is a limit of six (6) wines per exhibitor.
3. All wine must be made in New York State by the exhibitor.
4. Two (2) bottles of each entry is required. No wine bottles will be returned to the exhibitor. Standard 750 ml (4/5 quart) wine bottles or 375 ml wine bottles are acceptable.
5. Each bottle must be identified with the winemaker's name, address, entry category number and grape or fruit variety. **THIS MUST MATCH THE INFORMATION ON THE ENTRY FORM.**
6. An entry fee of \$10.00 is required for each two-bottle entry. Make checks payable to the **New York State Fair.**
7. Each exhibitor will receive one (1) complimentary admission pass to the Fair. Good from August 26 to September 6, 2010.
8. To enter, complete and sign the entry form and ship or deliver it and the wine with the appropriate fee to the New York State Fair Amateur Wine Competition, New York State Fair, 581 State Fair Blvd., Syracuse, NY 13209.
9. We encourage you to ship your wines directly to the Fair as well. If you ship to the Fair they must be at the Fair by Wednesday, June 9, 2010. If you use one of the following drop points, it must be at the drop point by Friday, June 4, 2010

## Drop Points

KEDCO  
574 Smith Street  
Farmingdale, NY 11735  
(800) 654-9988  
Ken Windt  
Kedco@optonline.net

Osprey's Dominion  
44075 Route 25  
Peconic, NY 11958  
(888) 295-6188  
Peter Carey  
Peterc@ospreysdominion.com

Hennessy Homebrew Emporium  
470 No. Greenbush Road  
Rensselaer, NY 12144  
(518) 283-7094  
Roger Savoy  
RogerSav@aol.com

Party Creations  
345 Rokeby Road  
Red Hook, NY 12571  
(845) 758-0661  
Bruce & Gloria Franconi  
info@partycreations.net

The Merry Wine Makers  
37 Durkee Street  
Plattsburg, NY 12901  
(518) 562-0064  
Linda Bennett  
Wine\_kits@yahoo.com

Bottom of the Barrel  
1736 Mt. Hope Avenue  
Oneida, NY 13421  
(315) 366-0655  
Mark Peters  
Bofb1@verizon.net

Thousand Island Winery  
43298 Seaway Ave., Suite 1  
Alexandria Bay, NY 13607  
(315) 482-9306  
Melissa Potrikus  
info@thousandislandswinery.com

Doc's Homebrew Supplies  
451 Court Street  
Binghamton, NY 13904  
(607) 722-2476  
Doc Dougherty  
Docsbrew@verizon.net

Merritt Estate Winery  
2264 King Road  
Forestville, NY 14062  
(888) 965-4800  
Jason Merritt  
nywines@merrittestatewinery.com

10 Thousand Vines  
5783 Camp Road  
Hamburg, NY 14075  
(716) 646-9979  
Mike Ditonto  
Mikedito@roadrunner.com

Casa Vin Arte  
120 Village Landing  
Fairport, NY 14450  
(585) 377-4520  
Ken Hall  
casavinarte@frontiernet.net

Mayers Lake Ontario Winery  
699 Five Mile Line Road  
Webster, NY 14580  
(585) 671-1979  
Lorraine Schiffhauer  
Lorraine@vinoinc.com

Fulkerson Winery  
5576 Route 14  
Dundee, NY 14837  
(607) 243-7883  
Sayre Fulkerson  
fulkersonwinery.com

10. **Exhibitors may use 375 ml bottles in place of 750 ml. This will reduce your costs, especially if you are shipping.**
11. **Do not use the US Postal Service to ship wines. Use only UPS or Fed Ex.**
12. All wines and entry forms must be received by **Wednesday, June 9, 2010.**
13. Entry categories are listed below and on the entry form. Select the proper category from those shown.
14. The competition committee will decide questions on rules and procedures. All decisions rendered will be final.
15. All exhibitors will receive a brief critique of the wines they entered. All medal winners will receive a Certificate of Achievement and either a Double Gold, Gold, Silver or Bronze medal.
16. All entries become the property of the New York State Fair.
17. The decision of the judges is final except where error, fraud, misrepresentation or collusion, not discovered at the time of the award is proven. In such cases, the Superintendent or such referee as he/she may appoint may make decisions, or the case may be appealed to the Agriculture Manager, whose decisions shall be final.
18. Best of Show Award may go to a wine in any category.
19. The Competition Committee reserves the right to combine categories when the number of entries so warrants and/or to divide categories if the range of sweetness or other factors present so warrants.
20. Entry Categories:

**Category # Description**

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| 110 | Vinifera – White  |
| 120 | Vinifera – Red  |
| 130 | Vinifera - Rose'/Blush  |
| 210 | Hybrid - White  |
| 220 | Hybrid - Red  |
| 230 | Hybrid - Rose'/Blush  |
| 310 | Native - White  |
| 320 | Native - Red  |
| 330 | Native - Rose'/Blush  |
| 400 | Fruit- (Non-Grape)  |
| 500 | Sparkling – Grape   |
| 510 | Sparkling – Non-Grape   |
| 600 | Fortified   |
| 700 | Mead – Still, Sparkling   |
| 800 | Specialty – Dandelion, Rhubarb, Maple Syrup, etc.   |
| 900 | Dessert   |
| 999 | Winemaker Bottle Label Contest – Must be crafted by winemaker and presented on bottle of judged wine. These will be judged by the “cellar rats” (backroom volunteers.) If you are entering a wine with a label you wish to have judged, highlight that line on the entry form and identify with “category 999” – winemaker bottle label contest. This is to be marked next to category entry number. (Example – 210/999). |