



Winemaker of the Year Award

Nomination Form

Ohio's "Winemaker of the Year" award is an annual honor awarded by the Ohio Grape Industries Committee (OGIC), to a winemaker who displays outstanding excellence in winemaking. The award recipient is recognized by others for their innovation and leadership within Ohio's wine industry.

This award is limited to Ohio winemakers only. Consideration will only be given to nominations that clearly address the criteria on this form. Nominations or endorsements received after the submission deadline will not be reviewed.

Nominator Information:

Name: _____

Business: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Nominee Information:

Name: _____

Business: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Winemaker of the Year Criteria:

- Nominee must be a current A2 permit holder.
- Recognized by fellow winemakers as an efficient, successful producer of high-quality wines.
- Contributed to the success of other winemakers.
- Demonstrates a commitment to adoption of new technologies, processes or innovations to improve winemaking in Ohio and/or nationally.
- Demonstrates a commitment to industry well-being.
- Contributes to the awareness and market success of wines produced in Ohio.

Submission Requirement Checklist:

- Completed nomination form.
- One-page letter highlighting why this individual and/or company is being nominated.
- A biography of the nominee, not to exceed one page. (Should include statement of industry contributions.)

Nomination Guidelines:

- The nominator must NOT be an immediate family relative, employer or employee of the nominee.
- The nominator can only put forward one nominee per year.
- The nominee cannot be a current Ohio Grape Industries Committee member.

Nomination Submission:

Send items listed under "Submission Requirement Checklist" to the following:

Ohio Grape Industries Committee

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Nominations must be received by December 11, 2015