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2017 California Best of Show Commercial Wine, Craft Beer, Cheese, Extra Virgin Olive Oil to be Honored on the Capitol North Steps

WHAT:

California State Fair CEO Rick Pickering and distinguished guests will honor the Best of Show winners for the Commercial Wine, Cheese, Extra Virgin Olive Oil and Commercial Beer competitions during a special event at the State Capitol.

WHEN:

Thursday, June 22 from 10:30 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.

WHERE:

California State Capitol Building - North Steps

WHO:

- Rick Pickering, Chief Executive Officer, California State Fair
- Rob Stewart, Master of Ceremonies
- Karen Ross, Secretary of the California Department of Food and Agriculture
- Flatland Brewery, Elk Grove Commercial Beer Best of Show
- Loma Brewery, Los Gatos Commercial Beer Brewery of the Year
- Point Reyes Farmstead Cheese Company, Point Reyes Station Cheese Best of Show
- Pennyroyal Farm, Boonville Cheese, Other Milk Type Best of Show
- Bondolio, Davis Extra Virgin Olive Oil Best of Show
- Calivirgin, Lodi Flavored Extra Virgin Olive Oil Best of Show
- Imagery Estate Winery, Sonoma County Wine Best of Show, Red
- Rendez-vous Winery, Clarksburg Wine Best of Show, White
- Sutter Home Family Vineyards, Napa Wine Best of Show, Sparkling & Best Value Wine
- Gifft BY KATHIE LEE GIFFORD, Monterey County Wine Best of Show, Pink
- Navarro Vineyards, Anderson Valley Wine Best of Show, Dessert
- Imagery Estate Winery, Glen Ellen Golden State Winery of the Year

DETAILS:

The 2017 California State Fair saw an impressive selection of entries in the Commercial Beer, Wine, Cheese, and Extra Virgin Olive Oil competitions. Commercial Beer set a new record with 1,488 entries; making it the third largest beer competition in the country. Commercial Wine continued its legacy as the country's oldest and most prestigious wine competition. Complete lists of the winners in each competition can be found <u>here</u>.

Some wine medalists will be featured at the California State Fair in the Save Mart Wine Garden for visitors to enjoy. Winners of the Commercial Beer Competition have been invited to pour their award-winning beer at the Best of California Brewfest on Saturday, July 22. Free cheese and olive oil samples can also be found throughout the Fair.

ABOUT CAL EXPO

The California State Fair is celebrating our 50th anniversary at Cal Expo July 14-30th. Established in 1854, the California State Fair is dedicated as a place to celebrate California's achievements, industries, agriculture, and diversity of its people, traditions and trends that shape the Golden State's future.

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