



# ATLANTIC SEABOARD WINE ASSOCIATION®

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*Invitation to Participate in the  
Sixteenth Atlantic Seaboard Wine Association® Wine Competition  
August 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> 2021  
The Marriott Tysons Corner, Tysons Corner, Virginia*

April, 2021

Dear Wine Colleague:

We're back! We hope that you all have been able to survive this past unusual year! Although we had to miss last year due to the pandemic, with all the current precautions and widespread vaccinations, we are pleased to inform you that the Sixteenth Annual Atlantic Seaboard Wine Association® (ASWA) Wine Competition has been scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, August 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>, at The Marriott Tysons Corner, Tysons Corner, Virginia. **ASWA is the largest U.S. wine competition focusing exclusively on East Coast Wines.**

The Atlantic Seaboard Wine Association® has since 1973 gained national and international recognition for activities promoting the growth and economic viability of the American wine industry. It has had a particular focus on the wine producing regions of the east coast, and in conducting fair and competent wine competitions. The purpose of this year's competition will be, as always, to judge the quality and marketability of Vinifera, Native American, and Hybrid grape varieties including sweet wines, grown and produced in the Atlantic Seaboard states. **We also include ciders, mead and fruit wines. Please note the specific categories in the list of wine categories and the specifications in the guidelines.**

You will find included with this letter an application for the wine competition and the guidelines. This information, as well as a list of the Categories, additional forms and shipping labels for the wine, is available for downloading from our web site: [www.aswawines.org](http://www.aswawines.org). After fifteen years, and rising expenses, we are forced to modestly increase our entrance fees. The cost per entry is now \$60 and three bottles, which is still quite a bit less than most other wine competitions.

It is important to note that all wines entered into this competition will eventually be used in various public wine marketing and educational programs in several national venues. All due efforts will be given to publicizing and promoting the marketing opportunities of the competition's winning wines. We encourage your participation to further promote the wine producing regions of the East Coast.

In Vino Veritas,

Dave Barber  
Competition Chairman

