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## **Press Release**

### **State Brewers Compete in Second Washington Beer Awards®**

Washington's state-wide professional beer competition

**Seattle, WA, May 28, 2014:** On May 10<sup>th</sup> Specialty Competitions LLC held the state's second Washington Beer Awards, a professional beer competition open to all of Washington's breweries. This competition drew 460 entries from more than 70 breweries spread all over the state. The competition was held at Elliott Bay Public House & Brewery with around 40 trained beer judges evaluating beers spanning nearly 100 styles from the Brewers Association Beer Style Guidelines.

The competition was held with the endorsement of the Washington Beer Commission as a way to celebrate Washington's growing brewing culture and recognize excellence in the craft. All of Washington's craft breweries were invited to submit entries to the competition held in a similar format to other craft beer competitions like the Great American Beer Festival® and World Beer Cup®.

The results of the competition will be announced at the Washington Brewers Festival on Saturday, June 14<sup>th</sup> at Marymoor Park in Redmond. Medals will be awarded in 33 categories along with special recognition for small and large breweries of the year. The Washington Agricultural Commission will also recognize the Best Washington Agricultural Product Inspired Beer at the awards announcements. Beer lovers are encouraged to attend the festival to celebrate the best of Washington's fine craft breweries.

More information on the competition can be found at [wabeerawards.com](http://wabeerawards.com). Results from the competition will be posted on the website shortly after the festival announcement. Watch for Washington's award winning beers marked at the festival as well as at your local craft beer bars and beer stores.



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