

GOLDEN TAP AWARDS TO BE ANNOUNCED SATURDAY, AUGUST 29TH

Celebrate and enjoy the best Ontario craft beer at beerbistro in Toronto

TORONTO, August 23 - All beer fans are welcome at beerbistro on Saturday, August 29th where the 2009 Golden Tap Awards will be announced. Now in its seventh year, the Golden Tap Awards are the leading awards event recognizing the best craft beer achievements in Ontario.

The Golden Tap Awards will recognize winners in the following categories, as voted upon by the general public online during July and August:

TRY ONTARIO'S FINEST CRAFT BEERS

THE BAR TOWEL & beerbistro PRESENT

GOLDEN TAP AWARDS!



WITH GRAND RIVER BEAU'S
 MILL STREET AMSTERDAM
 MIKE DUGGAN C'EST WHAT
 GREAT LAKES BLACK OAK
 DENISON'S STEAM WHISTLE
 F&M FLYING MONKEYS
 KING CAMERON'S & MORE!

SATURDAY, AUGUST 29TH

DOORS 4PM, AWARDS 8PM FREE ADMISSION

Category	Award
Breweries	Best micro or craft brewery in Ontario
Breweries	Best brewery for cask-conditioned ale in Ontario
Bars	Best bar for draught beer selection in Ontario
Bars	Best bar for bottled beer selection in Ontario
Bars	Best bar for cask-conditioned ale in Ontario
Bars	Best brewpub or tied house in Ontario
Beers	Best regularly-produced craft beer in Ontario
Beers	Best seasonal or specialty craft beer in Ontario
Beers	Best cask-conditioned ale in Ontario

Four special Editor's Circle awards will also be handed out, recognizing significant special achievements in the Ontario craft beer industry.

The Golden Tap Awards will also feature a special all-Ontario craft beer festival so beer fans can try the best the province has to offer. All draught lines at beerbistro will feature beers exclusively for the event only, from breweries including Beau's, County Durham, Black Oak, Denison's, Cheshire Valley, Neustadt, Great Lakes, Amsterdam, F&M, Grand River, Mill Street, Cameron's, Flying Monkeys, Steam Whistle, Mike Duggan, King, Granite, C'est What and more. Over 40 craft beers will be available from across Ontario. There will also be a real-time Golden Tap Awards vote for the best beer available at the festival.

"This year the beer lineup will literally be the best Ontario has to offer," says Cass Enright, founder of The Bar Towel and the Golden Tap Awards. "We asked brewers of Ontario to showcase their best beer or beers that they brew, to match the fact that the awards themselves recognize only the best," he continued. "By coming to the Golden Tap Awards a beer fan will be able to try one of the best top-to-bottom beer selections they'll find anywhere," he concluded.

WHAT: GOLDEN TAP AWARDS, a celebration of Ontario beer

WHEN: Saturday August 29th, 2009

Doors open at 4pm, Awards show at 8pm

WHERE: beerbistro, 18 King Street East, Toronto

WHO: Everyone welcome, all ages

COST: Free admission - paid tokens available for beer and food at the event

WEB: www.goldentap.com

The Golden Tap Awards are presented by The Bar Towel, Ontario's Premier Beer Resource. The Bar Towel is an online news and community web site dedicated to craft beer in Ontario. The Bar Towel can be found online at www.bartowel.com.

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