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2010 Atlantic Canadian Wine Awards Announced

Halifax, N.S. – Eleven wineries from Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick received medals at the second annual Atlantic Canadian Wine Awards. Presented by the Canadian Association of Professional Sommeliers Atlantic Chapter (CAPSAC) the awards recognize excellence in local wines.

“This year we had another great showing from the wineries in Atlantic Canada,” says Dan Tanner, president of CAPSAC. “The wines we judged are proof of the dedication of our local winemakers and wineries...we have a lot to be proud of.”

Gold awards were presented to Annapolis Highland Vineyards, Domaine de Grand Pré, Ferme Bourgeois Farm, Gaspereau Vineyards, Jost Vineyards, L’Acadie Vineyards, Magnetic Hill Winery, Rossignol Estate Winery and Sainte-Famille Wines.

“We have a very viable and exciting region with regards to local wines,” says Tanner. “These awards are an opportunity to recognize the art, passion and product found in our provinces.”

Atlantic Canada wineries submitted 92 wines for the competition. The wines were blind-tasted by a judging panel comprised of CAPSAC members. The awards are presented annually to showcase the best wine Atlantic Canada has to offer. For more information about CAPSAC, please visit www.atlanticsommeliers.ca.

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About the Canadian Association of Professional Sommeliers Atlantic Chapter (CAPSAC)

The Atlantic Canada Chapter of CAPS is the only professional wine and spirits training and industry educator in Atlantic Canada.

They hold periodic tastings around the region of fine wines, beers, and spirits which are open to all members. CAPSAC works with other sommelier and wine industry organizations around the world to promote their goals and to ensure mutual recognition of sommelier qualifications.

CAPSAC accredits training programs for professional sommeliers and is affiliated internationally with the Association de la Sommellerie Internationale (ASI) .
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