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Catch the Excitement of the Nova Scotia Fall Wine Festival

Halifax, N.S. – Discover the passion and artistry of Nova Scotia's winemakers and some of the province's finest chefs during the 2008 Nova Scotia Fall Wine Festival.

From September 4 to October 26, 2008, the third annual Nova Scotia Fall Wine Festival will feature over 40 wine tastings, grape stomps, winemakers' dinners, cooking classes and food pairing events taking place across the province.

"Each year we gain more quality events and have even more consumer participation," says Janice Ruddock, managing director of the Winery Association of Nova Scotia. "The festival is an opportunity to celebrate the fall grape harvest and the best of Nova Scotia's wine and food...we encourage all Nova Scotians to take part in the festival activities."

The Fall Wine Festival will kick-off on September 4, 2008 at Taboo Nightclub with a launch reception featuring local wines and Taste of Nova Scotia restaurants. Tickets are \$35 per person and are available by contacting Janice MacDonald at (902) 492-9291, ext. 114. The reception is hosted by the Winery Association of Nova Scotia and will run from 5:00 to 7:00.

In 2007, the Nova Scotia Fall Wine Festival was named Signature Event of the Year at the annual conference of the Tourism Industry Association of Nova Scotia (TIANS). Last year's festival included more than 35 venues and attracted more than 10,000 visitors.

For more information about the Winery Association of Nova Scotia and the Fall Wine Festival, visit www.winesns.ca.

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About the Winery Association of Nova Scotia (WANS)

WANS was formed in 2002 to represent the interests of wine producers in Nova Scotia, to serve as a voice for local industry and to promote the growth and development of Nova Scotia wines. Members include Bear River Vineyards, Blomidon Estate Winery, Domaine de Grand Pré, Gaspereau Vineyards, Sainte-Famille Wines, Lunenburg County Winery, Petite Riviere Vineyards and Jost Vineyards. The province's newest winery, L'Acadie Vineyards, opened May 9, 2008. www.winesns.com

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