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### **Indiana State Fair Wine and Spirits “Toast of the Fair” Competition Returns**

INDIANAPOLIS, IN, July 10, 2019 – Among many new and exciting events, the 2019 Indiana State Fair will offer the return of **Indiana State Wine & Spirits “Toast of the Fair”** competition presented by Indiana Grown.

Professionals and amateurs can compete in more than 80 wine and whiskey classes. The amateur wine division will award in the category, Best of Show. On the professional side, prizes will be awarded for Best of Show, Indiana State Fair Wine of the Year, Indiana State Fair Traminette of the Year, and Indiana Winery of the Year. The Professional Whiskey division will award Best of Show, Indiana State Fair Whiskey of the Year and Indiana Distillery of the Year.

Fair goers have the chance to enjoy a glass of the winning wines and whiskeys in the new Indiana State Fair Wine Garden presented by Indiana Grown, located just outside of the Purdue Extension Ag/Hort Building. Additionally, fairgoers can enjoy the Toast of the Fair Celebrity Grape Stomp on Friday, August 2 at 5 p.m. at the Indiana State Fair Wine Garden. During this first-time event, fair goers can cheer on their favorite celebrity such as 93.1 WIBC’s radio personality Terri Stacy or EatDrinkIndy.com editor Jolene Ketzenberger as they stomp grapes and compete for bragging rights and a traveling trophy.

Registration for the Indiana State Wine & Spirits Competition is open through July 19. For more information on the competition and how to enter, please contact [wineandspirits@indianastatefair.com](mailto:wineandspirits@indianastatefair.com) or visit [www.indianastatefair.com](http://www.indianastatefair.com).

#### **ABOUT THE INDIANA STATE FAIR**

The Indiana State Fair is the state’s largest multi-day event celebrating Hoosiers’ spirit and agricultural heritage. These 17 days celebrate Indiana agriculture and promote it to hundreds of thousands of people across Indiana, and beyond. Nationally recognized for offering great entertainment, showcasing youth, interactive agriculture education programs, premier facilities and a variety of unique, fun foods, the Indiana State Fair has been an annual attraction for generations of Hoosiers since 1852. The 2019 Indiana State Fair will be held August 2-18. To pay tribute to the heroism of everyday Hoosiers, this year’s Indiana State Fair theme is **HEROES IN THE HEARTLAND** presented by

Indiana Donor Network. Throughout the 17-day event, the Indiana State Fair will salute Hoosier farmers, first responders, educators, members of the Armed Forces, and many others who keep us safe and make us proud. Additionally, each day during the fair, Marvel Character and DC Comics Superheroes will be highlighted. For more information, visit [www.indianastatefair.com](http://www.indianastatefair.com).

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