

Colorado Breweries Make Strong Showing at Great American Beer Festival® Competition

DENVER (Oct. 8, 2022) — The Colorado Brewers Guild (CBG) proudly honors the 23 independent Colorado breweries that were awarded 26 medals at the Great American Beer Festival (GABF) competition this Saturday morning. The GABF competition drew in 9,904 entries from 2,154 breweries across the United States, Washington D.C. and Puerto Rico. Colorado received a total 28 of medals, further demonstrating that Colorado is a world-class craft beer destination.

First time GABF winners included Bierstadt Lagerhaus, River North Brewery, Rock Cut Brewing, and Resolute Brewing Company.

Left Hand Brewing Company continues as the most awarded craft brewery in Colorado collecting two medals today and their 29th medal at GABF overall. Bristol Brewing collected the brewery's 10th GABF medal for Laughing Lab Scottish Ale (the last time the brewery earned a GABF medal for this beer was in 2010), and this is the 14th medal for the Colorado-Springs based brewery.

Cannonball Creek pushed its winning streak to 10 years earning a bronze medal in the specialty saison category, a first for the brewery in this style; the Golden-based brewery has won 15 GABF medals in total across 10 different categories in the past 10 years. Comrade Brewing Company earned its second gold medal for More Dodge and Less Ram, taking home top honors in the most competitive category this year, American-Style India Pale Ale.

"Colorado proves that we are a leader in the craft beer industry and shows that our brewers continue to brew consistently excellent beers in all types of styles," says CBG Executive Director Shawnee Adelson.

2022 Colorado Craft Beer Award-Winning Winners:

- Westbound & Down Brewing Company and Bierstadt Lagerhaus: Silver medal for Chicago Peaks Kolsch in Collaboration Competition
- Coopersmith's Pub & Brewing (Fort Collins): Silver medal for Sticky Fingers Saison (AHA Member Mark Pennick) in the Pro-Am competition
- Joyride Brewing Company (Edgewater): Silver medal for Black Razz Blonde in the American Fruit Beer category
- Cerebral Brewing (Denver): Bronze medal for Fuego Reserva in the Chili Beer category
- Twisted Pine Brewing Company (Boulder): Silver medal for Rockin' Roggen in the Rye Beer category

- River North Brewery (Denver): Silver medal for Hello Darkness in the Other Strong Beer category
- Holidaily Brewing Company (Golden): Silver medal for Buckwit Belgian in the Gluten-Free beer category
- New Terrain Brewing Company (Golden): Silver medal for Mirage in the American Sour Ale category
- Our Mutual Friend (Denver): Gold medal for Trystero in the Brett Beer category and Silver medal for Biere Ovale in the Mixed-Culture Brett Beer category
- Jessup Farm Barrel House (Fort Collins): Gold medal for Barrel-Aged Soft Skills in the Wood-and Barrel-Aged Beer category
- Rock Cut Brewing Company (Estes Park): Bronze medal for Wooden Mayhem in the Wood- and Barrel-Aged Strong Stout category
- Dry Dock Brewing Co. - North Dock (Aurora): Silver medal for Docktoberfest in the German-Style Märzen category
- The Post Brewing Company (Lafayette): Gold medal for El Corn in the International Dark Lager category
- Resolute Brewing Company (Centennial): Silver medal for Execrator in the German-Style Doppelbock or Eisbock category
- Launch Pad Brewery (Aurora): Silver medal for Citronaut in the English Ale category
- Westbound & Down Brewing Company (Idaho Springs): Silver medal for Spirit of the West in the English India Pale Ale or New Zealand India Pale Ale category
- Comrade Brewing Company (Denver): Gold medal for More Dodge Less Ram in the American-Style India Pale Ale category
- Bristol Brewing Company (Colorado Springs): Silver medal for Laughing Lab Scottish Ale in the Scottish-Style Ale category
- Baere Brewing Company (Denver): Silver medal for Saison in the Classic Saison category
- Cannonball Creek Brewing Company (Golden): Bronze medal Rosemary Sourdough Saison in the Specialty Saison category
- Crooked Stave (Denver): Gold medal for Stay the Funk In in the Belgian-Style Sour Ale category
- Left Hand Brewing Company (Longmont): Bronze medal for St Vrain in the Belgian-Style Strong Specialty Ale category, silver medal for Milk Stout in the Oatmeal Stout category, and Brewery of the year 15,000-100,000 barrels
- Odell Brewing Company - Sloan's Lake (Denver): Bronze medal for Dark Helmet in the Imperial Stout category

"I'm extremely proud to be a Coloradan and of all the winners!" says Adelson.

The full list of 2022 GABF winners can be found [here](#).

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About the Colorado Brewers Guild: The [Colorado Brewers Guild](#) (CBG) is a nonprofit trade association with the mission to promote, protect, and propel independent craft breweries in the State of Craft Beer through advocacy, community, education, and public awareness. The majority of the state's 400+ licensed breweries are members. See a list of events that support membership, learn how to become a member, and more at [coloradobeer.org](#).

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