

2016 Washington Beer Awards Results

On behalf of Specialty Competitions LLC and the Washington Beer Commission, we are proud to announce the winners of the fourth annual Washington Beer Awards®. 950 beers were entered in the competition by 139 Washington breweries. All of the beers submitted must have been both brewed and made commercially available in the state of Washington. The entries were evaluated in a blind format using the Brewers Association Style Guidelines by panels of trained beer judges who awarded Gold, Silver, and Bronze placements for each category grouping.

European Pale Lagers:

Gold: Gordon Biersch-Seattle - Helles

Silver: Three Magnets Brewing Co. - Scherler Gold

Bronze: Redhook Brewery - ESL

Pilsners:

Gold: Reuben's Brews - Small Batch Brewery - Pilsener

Silver: Fremont Brewing - Pilsner

Bronze: Chuckanut Brewery - Chuckanut Pils

European Amber & Dark Lagers:

Gold: Chuckanut Brewery - Chuckanut Dunkel

Silver: Icicle Brewing Company - Dirtyface Amber

Bronze: Ram Restaurant & Brewery - Vienna

Strong Lagers:

Gold: Chuckanut Brewery - Chuckanut Maibock

Silver: River City Brewing - Congratulator Doppelbock

Bronze: Snipes Mountain - Bandolero Rye Baltic Porter

American Lagers:

Gold: Northwest Brewing Company - Hawk One Lager

Silver: Farmstrong Brewing Company - La Raza

Bronze: Everybody's Brewing - Local Logger Lager

German-Style Kölsch:

Gold: Heathen Brewing - Absolution

Silver: Reuben's Brews - Production Brewery & Taproom - Kolsch

Bronze: Dru Bru - Kolsch

German-Style Altbier:

Gold: Bainbridge Brewing - Arrow Point Amber

Silver: White Bluffs Brewing - Red Alt

Bronze: Resonate Brewery + Pizzeria - Lithium

German Wheat & Rye Beers:

Gold: Stoup Brewing - Stoup Bavarian Hefeweizen

Silver: Seapine Brewing Company - Simian Saber Squabble

Bronze: 5 Rights Brewing Company - Nellie's Nectar

Other Wheat & Rye Beers:

Gold: Loowit Brewing Company - Grimlock Rye Porter

Silver: Republic Brewing Company - Ramblin Rye Ale

Bronze: Rainy Daze Brewing Co. - Rainy Rye

Golden or Blonde Ales:

Gold: Hellbent Brewing Company - Goldfinch Golden Ale

Silver: Diamond Knot Brewing Co. - Blonde Ale

Bronze: Counterbalance Brewing Company - Abigale Blonde Ale

Cream Ales:

Gold: Puyallup River Brewing Co. - Cream Ale

Silver: Flyers Restaurant & Brewery - Penn Cove Pilsner

Bronze: Wet Coast Brewing Co. - Wet Coast Cream Ale

Session Beers:

Gold: Ten Pin Brewing Co. - Shrunken Head Pin

Silver: Sumerian Brewing Co. - Sargon IPA

Bronze: Rainy Daze Brewing Co. - Sod Slayer

Bitters:

Gold: Flycaster Brewing Company - ESB

Silver: No-Li Brewhouse - Spin Cycle Red

Bronze: Dick's Brewing Co. - Dick's Best Bitter

English Ales:

Gold: Flyers Restaurant & Brewery - Humbles Blonde Ale

Silver: No-Li Brewhouse - Born And Raised

Bronze: Fish Brewing Company - Organic IPA

English Dark Ales:

Gold: Walking Man Brewing - Barefoot Brown

Silver: Flyers Restaurant & Brewery - Barnstormer Brown Ale

Bronze: Puyallup River Brewing Co. - Springtime Brown Ale

British Strong Ales:

Gold: Sound To Summit Brewing - Wild Willy Wee Heavy

Silver: Silver City Brewery - Old Scrooge

Bronze: Icicle Brewing Company - The Decline

Scottish Shilling Ales:

Gold: Northern Ales, Inc. - Okanagan Highlander

Silver: Waddell's Brewing Co. - Scottish

Bronze: River Time Brewing - Life Changer

Scotch Ales:

Gold: Old Rock Brewery - Misery Whip Scotch Ale

Silver: Heathen Brewing - Highland Charge

Bronze: Silver City Brewery - Fat Scotch Ale

Irish Red Ales:

Gold: Loowit Brewing Company - Two-Sixteen Red Ale

Silver: Heathen Brewing - Mighty Craic

Bronze: Silver City Brewery - Ridgetop Red

Robust Porters:

Gold: Der Blokken Brewery - The Black

Silver: Stoup Brewing - Stoup Robust Porter

Bronze: Reuben's Brews - Production Brewery & Taproom - Robust Porter

Other Porters:

Gold: Kulshan Brewing Co. - Transporter

Silver: Schooner EXACT Brewing Company - King Street Brown

Bronze: Ram Restaurant & Brewery - Porter

Sweet/Cream Stouts:

Gold: Wet Coast Brewing Co. - Sneak Thief Stout

Silver: Bushnell Craft Brewing Company - Dunkadelic Milk Stout

Bronze: Triceratops Brewing Company - Hawthorne Coffee Milk Stout

Irish Stouts:

Gold: Gordon Biersch-Seattle - Irish Stout

Silver: Wander Brewing - Correspondent

Bronze: Paradise Creek Brewery - Invective Stout

American-Style Stouts:

Gold: Flying Lion Brewing - Rye Stout

Silver: Beardslee Public House - Sidewinder Stout

Bronze: Waddell's Brewing Co. - Alligator Stout

Imperial Stouts:

Gold: Fortside Brewing Company - Cocoa-Fied

Silver: Naked City Brewery & Taphouse - Big Lebrewski

Bronze: Black Raven Brewing Co. - Grandfather Raven

American-Style Pale Ales:

Gold: No-Li Brewhouse - Poser

Silver: E9 Brewery LLC - Don Of Time

Bronze: Flying Lion Brewing - Single-Hop Pale

American-Style Strong Pale Ales:

Gold: Heathen Brewing - Vantucky

Silver: Old Schoolhouse Brewery - Epiphany Pale Ale

Bronze: Ten Pin Brewing Co. - Head Pin IPA

Belgo-American & International Ales:

Gold: Gordon Biersch-Seattle - Belgian IPA

Silver: Reuben's Brews - Small Batch Brewery - Triumvirate

Bronze: Reuben's Brews - Production Brewery & Taproom - Crikey IPA

American Amber Ales:**Gold:** Elliott Bay Brewing Company - Organic Gateway Amber**Silver:** Chainline Brewing Company - Recumbent Red Ale**Bronze:** Northwest Brewing Company - Joker Amber Ale**American Brown & Black Ales:****Gold:** Riverport Brewing Co. - Bambalam**Silver:** No-Li Brewhouse - Crony**Bronze:** Flying Bike Cooperative Brewery - Storm Cycle**American-Style India Pale Ales:****Gold:** Lucky Envelope Brewing - ENIAC Mosaic IPA**Silver:** Loowit Brewing Company - Flawless Victory IPA**Bronze:** Ten Pin Brewing - Head Pin IPA**Imperial or Double India Pale Ales:****Gold:** Northwest Brewing Company - Crazy Bitch Double India Pale Ale**Silver:** Sumerian Brewing Co. - Eruption Double IPA**Bronze:** Standard Brewing - Imperial IPA**Imperial or Double Red Ales:****Gold:** Cloudburst Brewing - Hoodwink**Silver:** Ghost Runners Brewery - Phantom Rojo Imperial Ale**Bronze:** Dick's Brewing Co. - Dick's Wreckless Red**Barleywines:****Gold:** Old Schoolhouse Brewery - Barleywine**Silver:** Fish Brewing Company - Ten Squared**Bronze:** TripleHorn Brewing Co - BYGG VIN 2015**Belgian Ales:****Gold:** Bainbridge Brewing - Bainbridge Blonde**Silver:** Northwest Brewing Company - Three Skulls Blood Orange Wit**Bronze:** Reuben's Brews - Small Batch Brewery - Lilywhite Wit**Belgian Tripels:****Gold:** Silver City Brewery - Liquid Sunshine**Silver:** Hellbent Brewing Company - Mossback Monk**Bronze:** Slaughter County Brewing Company - Mon Petit**Abbey-Inspired Dark Ales:****Gold:** Wander Brewing - Together**Silver:** Valholl Brewing Company - Virgin Hammer Belgian Quad**Bronze:** Mollusk - Abbot's Private Reserve**Belgian Strong Ales:****Gold:** Boundary Bay Brewery & Bistro - Wonderland Belgian Strong Golden**Silver:** TripleHorn Brewing Co - Mystic**Bronze:** Rainy Daze Brewing Co. - Bewildered Stout**Farmhouse Ales:****Gold:** Three Magnets Brewing Co. - Karakterbier**Silver:** Urban Family Brewing - Voices Underground**Bronze:** Farmstrong Brewing Company - Northwest Farmhouse Ale**Brett Beers:****Gold:** E9 Brewery LLC - Friendship**Silver:** Standard Brewing - Brett Earl**Bronze:** E9 Brewery LLC - Nectarberry**German Sour Beers:****Gold:** Seapine Brewing Company - Gose**Silver:** E9 Brewery LLC - Wild Tacoma Table Sour**Bronze:** Aslan Brewing Co - Disco Lemonade**Sour Beers:****Gold:** Elliott Bay Brewing Company - Big Pun**Silver:** Stoup Brewing - Stoup American Pale Sour**Bronze:** Urban Family Brewing - Lady Of The Night**American-Style Fruit Beer:****Gold:** River City Brewing - Huckleberry Ale**Silver:** Big Block Brewing - Raspberry Blonde**Bronze:** Dick's Brewing Co. - Dick's Grapefruit IPA**Fruit Wheat Beers:****Gold:** Ten Pin Brewing - Groove Pineapple Wheat**Silver:** TripleHorn Brewing Co - Blood Orange Symbol**Bronze:** Ice Harbor Brewing Co. - Tangerine ExBEErience Hefeweizen**Belgian Fruit Beers:****Gold:** Propolis Brewing - Pi**Silver:** Wander Brewing - Cranberry Fruit Puncheon**Bronze:** Schooner EXACT Brewing Company - NW Sour Beer Framboise**Vegetable Beers:****Gold:** E9 Brewery LLC - Rhubarb Wild**Silver:** Resonate Brewery + Pizzeria - Paradise**Bronze:** Anacortes Brewery - 2015 Pumpkin Ale**Chili Pepper Beers:****Gold:** Middleton Brewing - Mierda Fuego**Silver:** Big AI Brewing - Big AI Chile IPA**Bronze:** Lucky Envelope Brewing - Two Pepper Pale Ale**Coffee & Chocolate Beers:****Gold:** Elysian Brewing Company - The Fix**Silver:** Wet Coast Brewing Co. - El Capitan Brown Ale**Bronze:** Puyallup River Brewing Co. - Mud Mountain Milk Stout**Herb & Spice Beers:****Gold:** Kulshan Brewing Co. - Royal Tannenbaum**Silver:** Hi-Fi Brewing Co. - Pump Up The Volume 2015**Bronze:** Elysian Brewing Company - Saison Poivre**Smoke Beers:****Gold:** Chuckanut Brewery - Chuckanut Helles Rauchbier**Silver:** Whitewall Brewing Company - Firetrail Ale**Bronze:** Big Barn Brewing Co - Mountain Smoke Porter**Specialty & Historical Beers:****Gold:** Pike Brewing Company - Pike Hive Five Hopped Honey Ale**Silver:** Crucible Brewing Co - Crucible Kettle Sour**Bronze:** No-Li Brewhouse - Oyster Stout**Experimental:****Gold:** Urban Family Brewing - Clouds Of Pale Gold**Silver:** Bainbridge Brewing - Windfall Grapefruit IPA**Bronze:** Lucky Envelope Brewing - Peanut Butter Porter**Wood & Barrel Aged Beers:****Gold:** Wander Brewing - Wild Warehouse**Silver:** Fortside Brewing Company - Cocoa-Espresso Port/Bourbon Barrel Aged Imperial Stout**Bronze:** River City Brewing - Wine Barrel-Aged Huckleberry Ale**Wood & Barrel Aged Strong Beers:****Gold:** Fremont Brewing - Bourbon Abominable (B-Bomb)**Silver:** Whitewall Brewing Company - Anniversary Ale**Bronze:** Black Raven Brewing Co. - La Mort Bourbon**Wood & Barrel Aged Sour Beers:****Gold:** Three Magnets Brewing Co. - 2014 Tart Barrel Aged Helsing**Silver:** Riverport Brewing Co. - Barrel Two Batch One**Bronze:** Naked City Brewery & Taphouse - The Wild One**Washington Pro-Am Awards:****Gold:** Aslan Brewing Co & Jenn Tadder - Lucky Break**Silver:** Ram Restaurant & Brewery & Phil Cammarano - Roggen**Bronze:** Snipes Mountain & Stephanie Rodriguez - Hop Jelq IPA**Best Washington Agricultural Product Inspired Beer:** E9 Brewery LLC - Blackberry**Best Washington Malt Beer (Sponsored by Skagit Valley Malting):** Four Horsemen Brewery - Black Plague Stout**Small Brewery of the Year (Sponsored by YCH Hops, Yakima Chief – Hopunion):** Ten Pin Brewing**Mid-Sized Brewery of the Year (Sponsored by Washington Hops Commission):** E9 Brewery LLC**Large Brewery of the Year (Sponsored by Briess Malt and Ingredients):** No-Li Brewhouse