



**CASA PACIFICA**  
*Best in Fest*  
C O M P E T I T I O N

# "BEST IN FEST" BREWERY COMPETITION

of the Casa Pacifica Angels Wine, Food & Brew Festival

**April 2024**

## BEER COMPETITION RULES

Competition spaces are limited to the first 20 applicants who complete online registration and agree to the rules below. The Beer Competition judging will take place in April 2024 in order to give the winning brew appropriate special recognition at the Festival.

- In order to compete, the brewery must have already registered as a 2024 Festival Exhibitor. **Registration for the Festival's Best in Fest Competition IS NOT COMPLETE until this Rules Form has been signed and returned by email to [events@casapacifica.org](mailto:events@casapacifica.org). NO EXCEPTIONS!**
- Breweries are limited to one entry. Each brewery's competing brew will be picked up the week of the competition. Breweries will supply one 12oz 6-pack or one 16oz 4-pack or two 32oz (or larger) crowler/growler for judging. Breweries must indicate beer style and any special ingredients used in brewing. Breweries are encouraged to include their own beer pairing suggestions.
- This competition is judged blind. Beers will be judged against a hybrid of Brewers Association Guidelines and BJCP guidelines. The score sheets will include Festival-specific fields including but not limited to food pairing suggestions. Judges will be notified of the number of beers and specific styles that have been entered into the competition. The judges will be emailed the hybrid judging guidelines and score sheets before the competition. All judges will be either BJCP recognized certified cicerones or industry experts. Festival management reserves all rights to make final decisions regarding any rules or proceedings throughout the course of the beer competition.
- Competition judges will select a "Best in Fest" beer in the following manner:  
**First Round**
  - Beers will be judged against their base style.
  - The beer scores will be recorded on judging score sheets.
  - Judges will also include food-pairing suggestions.
  - Competition coordinator will collect the score sheets and tabulate the score for each beer.**Second Round**
  - The top 3 point earning beers will advance to second round.
  - If two beers are tied with top scores, they will be the only beers to advance to Best in Fest round.
  - Each judge will rate his or her beers in order of preference. The beer with the highest score will win.
  - The judges will rank their favorite beers in this round to select the "Best in Fest" beer.
- Awards will be given for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place breweries.  
**The "Best in Fest" 1st Place Winner will:**
  - Receive a trophy which will be presented on the Festival main stage, Sunday, June 4th (the Brewmaster or brewery owner must be present to accept the award, which can then be displayed at the winner's booth).
  - Participate in the Yummie Top Chef Dinner on May 3, 2024. A representative from the brewery must attend the dinner and be willing to speak on stage about their beer.
  - Have an official Casa Pacifica Angels Wine, Food & Brew Festival "Best in Fest" flag set up in front of their booth (the winner should be sure to bring an extra supply of the winning brew to the Festival).
  - Be featured in the Festival press release, on the Festival website, and in e-blasts and social media.
  - Receive (2) two VIP tickets to this year's Festival.
  - Have preferred booth placement at this year's Festival.

**6. I understand and agree to abide by these rules:**

Brewery \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

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