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LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR ANNOUNCES CREATION OF AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE IN ONTARIO WINES

TORONTO – The Honourable David C. Onley, Lieutenant Governor of Ontario, is pleased to announce the creation of the ‘Lieutenant Governor’s Award for Excellence in Ontario Wines’.

This annual competition is open to all VQA Ontario wines and will select only those that meet a certain level of ‘*excellence*’. Up to four wines may be submitted per winery, and there is no charge to enter.

Development of this award came as a result of consultation with industry stakeholders across Ontario including the Grape Growers of Ontario, the Wine Council of Ontario, and the Canadian Food & Wine Institute at Niagara College. A similar awards program has existed in British Columbia for over eight years which has been very well received by the wineries and is highly respected by their provincial wine industry.

The deadline for this year’s Entry Form submission is Friday, May 20th, and the Bottle submission window is Monday, June 6th, and Tuesday, June 7th.

For further information, program guidelines, and entry forms, go to: www.lt.gov.on.ca

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