

Grand Grape Celebration at the Majestic Yosemite Hotel

Schedule of Events

Session #1 ~ November 6-9, 2016

Moderator ~ Fred Dame, M.S.

Session #2 ~ November 10-11, 2016

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Sunday, November 6

6:00 PM Meet the Vintners Reception

Monday, November 7

1:00 PM "A Rare Tasting-Hanzell Single Vineyard Chardonnays"
Hanzell
Michael McNeill

3:30 PM "JUSTIN ISOCELES Blending Seminar"
Justin Vineyard & Winery
Justin Baldwin

Tuesday, November 8

1:00 PM "The Bounty of County: Sonoma, Its Vineyards & Biodynamic Farming"
Benziger Family Winery
Chris Benziger

3:30 PM "Que Sera Sera? Nope...Que Syrah Syrah!"
Qupe
Bob Lindquist

6:30 PM Gala Vintners' Dinner

Wednesday, November 10

1:00 PM "The Joy of Wine: A Tasting of Carneros"
Rombauer Cellars
Alan Cannon

3:30 PM "The King of Russian River Valley Red Wine: Pinot or Zinfandel?"
Hartford Family Winery
Jeff Stewart

6:00 PM Meet the Vintners Reception

Thursday, November 12

1:00 PM "Estate Bottles & Farmstead: Two Ends of the Anderson Valley"
Navarro Vineyards
Sarah Bennett

3:30 PM "Cabernet Sauvignon from a Napa Valley Point of View"
Pine Ridge Vineyards
Michael Beaulac

6:30 PM Gala Vintners' Dinner

Session #3 ~ November 13-16, 2016

Moderator ~ Dan Berger, Wine Journalist & Judge

Session #4 ~ November 16-18, 2016

Moderator ~ Dan Berger, Wine Journalist & Judge

Sunday, November 13

6:00 PM Meet the Vintners Reception

Monday, November 14

1:00 PM "The Night They Invented Champagne"
Domaine Carneros
Eileen Crane

3:30 PM "Napa Valley Cabernet That Speaks of Place"
Corison Winery
Cathy Corison

Tuesday, November 15

1:00 PM "Vibrant Whites from Coastal Edna Valley"
Tangent
Christian Roguenant

3:30 PM "The Wonderful 2014 Vintage: Everybody's Happy"
Dutton Goldfield
Steve Dutton & Dan Goldfield

6:30 PM Gala Vintners' Dinner

Wednesday, November 16

1:00 PM "Tasting Nuances Between Site Specific Single Vineyard Wines"
Martinelli Vineyards & Winery
Regina Martinelli

3:30 PM "Esprit de Beaucastel: The Evolution of a Flagship Rhone Blend"

Tablas Creek
Jason Haas

6:00 PM Meet the Vintners Reception

Thursday, November 17

1:00 PM "A Deconstructed Tasting of 2016 Sauvignon Blanc"
Twomey Cellars
David Duncan

3:30 PM "A Brief History of (Silver Oak) Time through Selected Wines"
Silver Oak Cellars
Daniel Baron

6:30 PM Gala Vintners' Dinner

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Session #5 ~ November 27-30, 2016

Moderator ~ *Peter Marks, M.W. & V.P. of Education,
Constellation Academy of Wine*

Session #6 ~ November 30-December 2, 2015

Moderator ~ *Peter Marks, M.W. & V.P. of Education,
Constellation Academy of Wine*

Sunday, November 27

6:00 PM Meet the Vintners Reception

Monday, November 28

1:00 PM "Rediscovering Napa Valley Sauvignon Blanc: Terroir & Longevity"

Robert Mondavi Winery
Megan Schofield

3:30 PM "Discovering Single Vineyard Pinot Noirs from Sonoma County"

Benovia
Mike Sullivan

Tuesday, December 29

1:00 PM "A Tale of Terroir: Focus on the Santa Cruz Mountains"

Mount Eden Vineyards

Jeffrey Patterson

3:30 PM "A Rare Glimpse into the Dirty & Rowdy Exploration of California Mourvedre"

Dirty & Rowdy
Hardy Wallace

6:30 PM Vintners' Dinner

Wednesday, November 30

1:00 PM "Producing Ageable Wine: from Vine to Bottle"

Stony Hill Vineyards

Mike Chelini

3:30 PM "A Focus on Art & Wine: a Journey from Bordeaux to Alexander Valley"

Aperture Cellars
Jesse Katz

6:00 PM Meet the Vintners Reception

Thursday, November 19

1:00 PM "Sonoma Coast or Russian River Valley: Two Appellations, Cool vs. Warm"

Freeman Vineyards

Akiko & Ken Freeman

3:30 PM "The Prisoner Wine Company Portfolio"

Prisoner Wine Co
Chrissy Wittmann

6:30 PM Vintners' Dinner

Session #7 ~ December 4-6, 2016 featuring "GODDESSES OF THE GRAPE": 4 WOMEN VINTNERS

Moderator ~ *Ellen Landis ~ Wine Journalist & Judge*

Sunday, December 4

6:00 PM Meet the Vintners Reception

Monday, December 5

1:00 PM "35 Years of Winemaking with Great Friends"

Far Niente
Beth Nickel

3:30 PM "Retrospective Cabernet Franc Vertical"

Selene Wines
Mia Klein

Tuesday, December 6

1:00 PM "Exploring Varietal Diversity in Russian River Valley"

Selby Winery
Susie Selby

3:30 PM "Classic vs. Esoteric: The Pursuit of Deliciousness"

Rock Wall Wine Co.
Shauna Rosenblum

6:30 PM Gala Vintners' Dinner