



MARGARET RIVER WINE

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2020 Langton's Margaret River Wine Show Awards Ceremony Goes Online!

The Margaret River Wine Association is thrilled to announce the 2020 Lifetime Achievement Award and the finalists of the two Excellence Awards that will be presented, with Langton's Margaret River Wine Show Trophies, at a sold out Gala Dinner at Leeuwin Estate next Thursday 19 November.

Langton's Margaret River Wine Show Awards Ceremony

7.00pm AWST Thursday 19 November - online

This year the ceremony will also be streamed live via the [Margaret River Wine Association Facebook page](#) for those who that cannot attend on the night.

The **2020 Lifetime Achievement Award** will be presented to **Dorham Mann OAM** for his critical role in helping the early pioneers in Margaret River. Dorham helped many with their site selections and early plantings; Sandalford and Cape Mentelle being two examples.

The finalists in each of our Excellence Awards categories are (in alphabetical order by surname):

Viticultural Excellence Award – sponsored by Happs Wines

- Mike Gray – AHA Viticulture
- Dave Moulton – Cape Mentelle

Wine Tourism Excellence Award – sponsored by Margaret River Busselton Tourism Association

- Ashlee Heard – Evans & Tate
- Paris Hokin – Arlewood Estate
- Grace Pigram – Vasse Felix

The Langton's Margaret River Wine Show judging will take place next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday at the Margaret River HEART. 104 exhibitors have submitted 656 Margaret River wines to be assessed at the region's 19th wine show.

Judging this year will be an all-star Western Australian based judging panel, including:

- Cliff Royle (Chair of Judges) – Flametree Wines, Margaret River
- Andrew Dawson – St Johns Brook, Margaret River
- Arch Kosovich – John Kosovich Wines, Swan Valley
- Cath Oates – Oates Ends, Margaret River
- Damian Hutton – Nikola Estate, Swan Valley
- Emma Farrelly – State Buildings, Perth
- Erin Larkin – Wine Writer/Wine Professional, Perth
- Kim Horton – Willow Bridge Estate, Geographe
- Rob Dilletti – Castle Rock Estate, Great Southern

- Ryan Aggiss - Aravina Estate, Margaret River
- Severine Logan - Calneggia Family Vineyards, Margaret River
- Tim Lovett - Leeuwin Estate, Margaret River
- Virginia Willcock - Vasse Felix, Margaret River

This year a new trophy design by local Busselton artist, Tammy Scott of Heartwood Timber Designs will be presented.

The show will welcome four new partners, City of Busselton, Margaret River Wagyu, Hahn Corporation and Anton Paar Australia, to sponsor a trophy for the first time.

City of Busselton Mayor, Grant Henley says, “We are very pleased to be supporting the Trophy for the Best Cabernet Sauvignon at this important event, reinforcing our commitment to the wine industry and the 3,000 hectares of vineyards located in the City of Busselton”.

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Trophies by Heartwood Timber Design’s Tammy Scott

Growing up on a farm in Vasse Tammy has always been drawn to the beauty of the natural environment throughout the Margaret River Region. Tammy worked as a youth worker for nearly ten years and found that she needed a hobby that allowed for creativity and to bring balance to her life. Tammy fell in love with the unique and ever surprising patterns of timber and started Heartwood Timber Designs shortly after. As a self-taught woodworker/artist she has been creating unique pieces for the past five years using sustainably sourced local native timbers.

The pieces that Tammy has created for the Margaret River Wine Show trophies pay tribute to the amazing coastline through the use of blue tinted resin paired with local burl timbers including Jarrah, Peppermint, Tuart and Acacia. When looking at these pieces each person brings their own experiences of the region and therefore sees a different scene. Some people may see an underwater scene of snorkelling at Bunker Bay, the towering cliffs at Wilyabrup, the sea life under the Busselton Jetty or even the Blackwood River as it makes its way to Augusta. These trophies represent the beautiful natural environment of the region that allow it to produce some of the world's best wines.

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