



# GREAT AMERICAN BEER FESTIVAL®

## 2016 WINNERS LIST

### Category 1: American-Style Wheat Beer - 37 Entries

Gold: Tumblewheat, Altitude Chophouse and Brewery, Laramie, WY  
Silver: Shredder's Wheat, Barley Brown's Beer, Baker City, OR  
Bronze: Flash Bang, Excel Brewing Co., Breese, IL

### Category 2: American-Style Wheat Beer With Yeast - 31 Entries

Gold: White Noise, Überbrew, Billings, MT  
Silver: Medley of Moods, Gibb's Hundred Brewing Co., Greensboro, NC  
Bronze: Boulder Bend Dunkelweizen, Fish Brewing Co., Olympia, WA

### Category 3: American-Style Fruit Beer - 106 Entries

Gold: Slingback, High Heel Brewing, St. Louis, MO  
Silver: Miss IPPA, Peter B's Brewpub, Monterey, CA  
Bronze: Apricot Cream Ale, Vertigo Brewing, Hillsboro, OR

### Category 4: Fruit Wheat Beer - 84 Entries

Gold: Mexican Spring, 515 Brewing Co., Clive, IA  
Silver: Mango Wheat, Blue Moon Brewing Co., Denver, CO  
Bronze: Apricot Hefeweizen, Wasatch Brewery, Salt Lake City, UT

### Category 5: Belgian-Style Fruit Beer - 61 Entries

Gold: Apricot Wheat, Wiens Brewing Co./Wiens Family Cellars, Temecula, CA  
Silver: Cherry Busey, Sun King Brewing Co., Indianapolis, IN  
Bronze: Cerasus, Logsdon Farmhouse Ales, Hood River, OR

### Category 6: Pumpkin/Squash Beer - 10 Entries

Bronze: Butt-Ah Nut, BTU Brasserie, Portland, OR

### Category 7: Field Beer - 92 Entries

Gold: Imperial Coconut Porter, Maui Brewing Co. - Production, Kihei, HI  
Silver: Slam Piece, Coppertail Brewing, Tampa, FL  
Bronze: Redbud with Cucumber, Independence Brewing Co., Austin, TX

### Category 8: Chili Beer - 112 Entries

Gold: Rocky Mtn Saison, 14er Brewing Co., Denver, CO  
Silver: The Contender IPA with Fresh Chilis, Duck Foot Brewing Co., San Diego, CA  
Bronze: Vengeance! Jalapeno Cream Ale, Jack Pine Brewery, Baxter, MN

### Category 9: Herb and Spice Beer - 114 Entries

Gold: NoDajito, NoDa Brewing Co. - Davidson, Charlotte, NC  
Silver: Ginger American Ale, Broken Compass Brewing, Breckenridge, CO  
Bronze: 1634 Ale, Brewer's Alley Restaurant & Brewery, Frederick, MD

### Category 10: Pumpkin Spice Beer - 39 Entries

Gold: Pump Action Imperial Pumpkin Ale, 4 Noses Brewing Co., Broomfield, CO  
Silver: Twisted Gourd, South Street Brewery, Charlottesville, VA  
Bronze: 5 Phantoms Pumpkin Spice Barleywine, Philipsburg Brewing Co., Philipsburg, MT

### Category 11: Chocolate Beer - 46 Entries

Gold: Chaos, RAM/Big Horn Brewery - Wheeling, Wheeling, IL  
Silver: The Ticket Chocolate Beer, ZwanzigZ Brewing, Columbus, IN  
Bronze: 4th Gear (4th Anniversary), Kinetic Brewing Co., Lancaster, CA

### Category 12: Coffee Beer - 168 Entries

Gold: Gusto Crema, Georgetown Brewing Co., Seattle, WA  
Silver: Dusk 'til Dawn - SC, Pizza Port San Clemente, San Clemente, CA  
Bronze: Zumar Chocolate Coffee Imperial Stout, New English Brewing Co., San Diego, CA

### Category 13: Specialty Beer - 54 Entries

Gold: Campfire Stout, High Water Brewing, Stockton, CA  
Silver: Good Conduct, Fieldwork Brewing Co., Berkeley, CA  
Bronze: GAZPROM!, Lion Bridge Brewing Co., Cedar Rapids, IA

### Category 14: Rye Beer - 81 Entries

Gold: Breakside Rye Curious?, Breakside Brewery, Portland, OR  
Silver: Rock-Biter Roggenbier, Hop Dogma Brewing Co., El Granada, CA  
Bronze: Runaround Rye Ale, Roundhouse Brewery, Brainerd, MN

### Category 15: Honey Beer - 64 Entries

Gold: Jetty Cream Ale, Great South Bay Brewery, Bay Shore, NY  
Silver: Spring Fever, FiftyFifty Brewing Co., Truckee, CA  
Bronze: Belgian Honey Blonde Ale, No Clue Craft Brewery, Rancho Cucamonga, CA

### Category 16: Session Beer - 52 Entries

Gold: PSB Session IPL, Perry Street Brewing Co., Spokane, WA  
Silver: Oatmeal Stout, Benchmark Brewing Co., San Diego, CA  
Bronze: Slippery When Wit, South Street Brewery, Charlottesville, VA

### Category 17: Session India Pale Ale - 118 Entries

Gold: Trump Hands, Cannonball Creek Brewing Co., Golden, CO  
Silver: Pace Car Racer, Bear Republic Brewing Co. - Production Facility, Cloverdale, CA  
Bronze: Mosaic Session IPA, Karl Strauss Brewing Co. - San Diego, San Diego, CA

### Category 18: Other Strong Beer - 46 Entries

Gold: Anodyne Wheat Wine, Revolver Brewing, Granbury, TX  
Silver: Black Muddy River, Fat Head's Brewery & Saloon, North Olmsted, OH  
Bronze: Muir Woods Coastal Red, Barebottle Brewing Co., San Francisco, CA

### Category 19: Experimental Beer - 87 Entries

Gold: Dry Hopped Systema Naturae - Scuppernong & Lily, D9 Brewing Co., Cornelius, NC  
Silver: Wineification II, The Bruery, Placencia, CA  
Bronze: Oyster Weiss, Scratch Brewing Co., Ava, IL

### Category 20: Fresh or Wet Hop Ale - 45 Entries

Gold: Melvin IPA, Melvin Brewing - Jackson, Jackson, WY  
Silver: Acequia IPA, Bosque Brewing Co., Albuquerque, NM  
Bronze: IBUsive, Fat Head's Brewery & Saloon, North Olmsted, OH

### Category 21: Historical Beer - 43 Entries

Gold: Valhalla, El Rancho Brewing, Evergreen, CO  
Silver: Grosse Teufel, Hardywood Park Craft Brewery, Richmond, VA  
Bronze: Wild & Crazy Rye, BJ's Restaurant & Brewery - Boulder, Boulder, CO

### Category 22: Gluten-Free Beer - 37 Entries

Gold: Dark Ale, Ground Breaker Brewing, Portland, OR  
Silver: Copperhead, Greenview Brewing, Madison, WI  
Bronze: Grapefruit IPA, Ghostfish Brewing Company, Seattle, WA

### Category 23: American-Belgo-Style Ale - 70 Entries

Gold: Mischief, The Bruery, Placencia, CA  
Silver: #4.5 Hops with Saison Added, Brown Truck Brewery, High Point, NC  
Bronze: White Wall Wit, Crank Arm Brewing Co., Raleigh, NC

### Category 24: American-Style Sour Ale - 142 Entries

Gold: Queen of Tarts, Karl Strauss Brewing Co. - San Diego, San Diego, CA  
Silver: Heart of Gold, Great Notion Brewing, Portland, OR  
Bronze: Excommunication, Forte Cerise, Max Lager's Wood-Fired Grill & Brewery, Atlanta, GA

# 2016 BREWERY AND BREWER OF THE YEAR AWARDS

### Small Brewpub and Small Brewpub Brewer of the Year

*Sponsored by Briess Malt & Ingredients Co.*

ZwanzigZ Brewing, Columbus, IN  
Mike Rybinski & Trent Fleener

### Mid-Size Brewpub and Mid-Size Brewpub Brewer of the Year

*Sponsored by Brewers Supply Group*

Boxing Bear Brewing Co., Albuquerque, NM  
Justin Hamilton and Dylan Davis

### Large Brewpub and Large Brewpub Brewer of the Year

*Sponsored by Country Malt Group*

The Austin Beer Garden Brewing Co., Austin, TX  
Amos Swifty Kim

### Very Small Brewing Company and Very Small Brewing Company Brewer of the Year

*Sponsored by Brewers Supply Group*

Brown Truck Brewery, High Point, NC  
Team Brown Truck

### Small Brewing Company and Small Brewing Company Brewer of the Year

*Sponsored by O-I*

Überbrew, Billings, MT  
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### Mid-Size Brewing Company and Mid-Size Brewing Company Brewer of the Year

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Karl Strauss Brewing Co. - San Diego, San Diego, CA  
Team Karl

### Large Brewing Company and Large Brewing Company Brewer of the Year

*Sponsored by Beer Institute*

Pabst Brewing Co., Los Angeles, CA  
Gregory Deuhs

### Category 25: Brett Beer - 53 Entries

Gold: Touch of Brett, Alesong Brewing & Blending, Eugene, OR  
Silver: Dreamy Thing, Cerebral Brewing, Denver, CO  
Bronze: Brett Saison, Ardent Craft Ales, Richmond, VA

### Category 26: Mixed-Culture Brett Beer - 65 Entries

Gold: Fünke Hop Farm, Sudwerk Brewing Co., Davis, CA  
Silver: White Label, Almanac Beer Co., San Francisco, CA  
Bronze: DAM Wild Marionberry Pink Peppercorn, Flat Tail Brewing Co., Corvallis, OR

### Category 27: Wood- and Barrel-Aged Beer - 66 Entries

Gold: Drama Queen, Denver Beer Co. - Canworks, Denver, CO  
Silver: Brett Saison, Blackberry Farm Brewery, Walland, TN  
Bronze: Rye Robustito, Drake's Brewing Co., San Leandro, CA

### Category 28: Wood- and Barrel-Aged Strong Beer - 159 Entries

Gold: Silent Warrior, TAPS Fish House & Brewery - Corona, Corona, CA  
Silver: Mélange À Trois, Nebraska Brewing Co. - Papillion, Papillion, NE  
Bronze: 15th Anniversary Ale, Island Brewing Co., Carpinteria, CA

### Category 29: Wood- and Barrel-Aged Strong Stout - 131 Entries

Gold: Barrel-Aged Darkness, Surly Brewing Co., Brooklyn Center, MN  
Silver: The Event Horizon, Olde Hickory Brewery, Hickory, NC  
Bronze: Little Nonsense, Verboten Brewing, Loveland, CO

### Category 30: Wood- and Barrel-Aged Sour Beer - 64 Entries

Gold: Sour Project Ale, Adirondack Pub and Brewery, Lake George, NY  
Silver: Avant-Chard, Historic Brewing Co., Flagstaff, AZ  
Bronze: Angelina, Brewery Vivant, Grand Rapids, MI

### Category 31: Fruited Wood- and Barrel-Aged Sour Beer - 82 Entries

Gold: Razz-Jerry Tart, BJ's Restaurant & Brewery - Brea, Brea, CA  
Silver: Saint Dekkera Reserve Sour Framboise, DESTIHL, Normal, IL  
Bronze: Pi, Propolis Brewing, Port Townsend, WA

### Category 32: Aged Beer - 40 Entries

Gold: Doc's Scotch Ale, Millersburg Brewing, Millersburg, OH  
Silver: Expedition Stout, Bell's Brewery, Inc., Comstock, MI  
Bronze: Winter Wheatwine 2007, Rubicon Brewing Company Pub, Sacramento, CA

### Category 33: Kellerbier or Zwickelbier - 69 Entries

Gold: Sunnyside Dweller, Ocelot Brewing, Sterling, VA  
Silver: Kelly Alt, Snake River Brewing Co., Jackson, WY  
Bronze: Pilsner, Marble Brewery, Albuquerque, NM

### Category 34: Smoke Beer - 65 Entries

Gold: Raucher, Wolverine State Brewing Co., Ann Arbor, MI  
Silver: Cowboy Curtis, Arts District Brewing Co., Los Angeles, CA  
Bronze: Croydon Is Burning, Neshaminy Creek Brewing Co., Croydon, PA

### Category 35: American-Style or International-Style Pilsener - 66 Entries

Gold: Robot Crush, Aeronaut Brewing Co., Somerville, MA  
Silver: Pelicano Extra!, Pelican Brewing Co., Tillamook, OR  
Bronze: Mexican Logger, SKA Brewing, Durango, CO

### Category 36: American-Style Light Lager or German-Style Light Lager - 21 Entries

Gold: #10 American Lager, Brown Truck Brewery, High Point, NC  
Silver: Lightner Creek Lager, Carver Brewing Co., Durango, CO  
Bronze: Coors Light, Coors Brewing Co., Golden, CO

### Category 37: American-Style Lager or Ice Lager or Malt Liquor - 34 Entries

Gold: Pabst Blue Ribbon (PBR), Pabst Brewing Co., Los Angeles, CA  
Silver: Coors Banquet, Coors Brewing Co., Golden, CO  
Bronze: Lager, Craft Brew Alliance - Omission, Portland, OR

### Category 38: American-Style Cream Ale - 65 Entries

Gold: El Sully, 21st Amendment Brewery, San Leandro, CA  
Silver: Old Style Lager, Pabst Brewing Co., Los Angeles, CA  
Bronze: Broadway Light, Detroit Beer Co., Detroit, MI

### Category 39: American-Style Amber Lager or Dark Lager - 108 Entries

Gold: Casa Azul, El Segundo Brewing Co., El Segundo, CA  
Silver: Tragedy of the Commons, Iowa Brewing Co., Cedar Rapids, IA  
Bronze: Lighter Than I Look, Figueroa Mountain Brewing - Buellton, Buellton, CA

### Category 40: German-Style Pilsener - 115 Entries

Gold: Industry, The Austin Beer Garden Brewing Co., Austin, TX  
Silver: Bosque Lager, Bosque Brewing Co., Albuquerque, NM  
Bronze: Lokahi Pilsner, Kohola Brewery, Lahaina, HI

### Category 41: Bohemian-Style Pilsener - 62 Entries

Gold: Sweet Ride, Bagby Beer Co., Oceanside, CA  
Silver: Polaris Pilsner, Chainline Brewing Co., Kirkland, WA  
Bronze: Torch Pilsner, Foothills Brewing Co., Winston-Salem, NC

### Category 42: Munich-Style Helles - 84 Entries

Gold: Chuckanut Helles, Chuckanut Brewery, Bellingham, WA  
Silver: Helles, Dry Dock Brewing Co. - South Dock, Aurora, CO  
Bronze: Hell Yes, The Austin Beer Garden Brewing Co., Austin, TX

