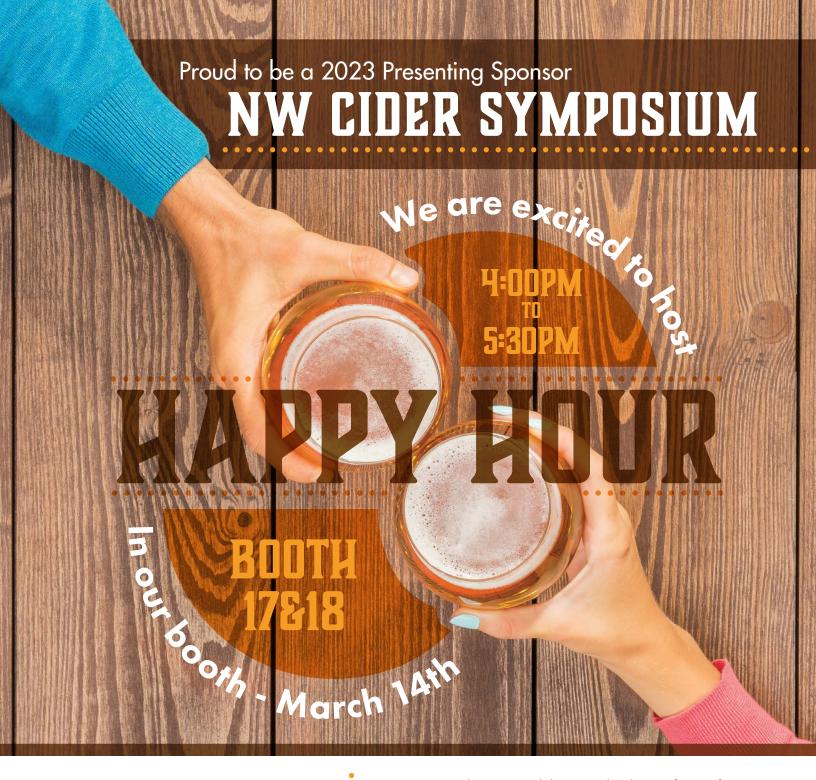


PROGRAM OF EVENTS

March 14, 2023



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Today, Northwest Naturals is a leading supplier of fruit juice concentrates servicing cider makers, like you, all over the country.

Visit the Northwest Naturals booth (17&18) to discuss what delicious concoctions we can partner with you to create!

WELCOME TO THE NW CIDER SYMPOSIUM

The Northwest Cider Association plays a vital role in the vibrant future of cider in the Pacific Northwest. In this ever-evolving world, we know the power of lifting each other up. That's why we are so grateful you are here. Welcome!

Thank you to the many voices who shaped the 2023 Symposium so that this event meets the specific needs of northwest cideries. Learning and working together is what makes the difference in the success and sustainability of our region's cider industry.

HIGHLIGHTS TO EXPECT IN 2023:

Mark your calendars! On the heels of the 2023 Symposium, NWCA has designed signature programming to increase demand for cider, empower cideries and encourage NW cideries' production of high quality cider. Here is what you can expect:

NORTHWEST CIDER CUP (FORMERLY PICC)

Save the date! Registration for the 10th annual NW Cider Cup submissions opens April 4th, 2023. To make this event successful, we need 20 more industry experts to join our team of judges and 10 stewards. If you are interested in judging or being a steward, please apply at tinyurl.com/2p825n5h by March 31st. The competition will be June 12th, 2023 at McMenamins Kennedy School in Portland and our fabulous awards party will take place June 15th, 2023.

NW CIDER CLUB

NWciderClub.com is our direct-to-consumer sales and marketing program we launched at the end of 2020 for association members. Since its inception, we have shipped over 4,000 perfectly -picked, carefully curated club boxes to 39 states, telling the story of our region's cider and the passionate people who craft it.

COLLECTIVE MARKETING TO TELL THE STORY OF NW CIDER

Each monthly newsletter includes marketing prompts and photos to strengthen your brand's social media through the industry identified content wells of people, place, passion and products. Make sure you have access to the free professional photos! Email MJ Harris for access, info@nwcider.com

CIDERCON 2024

We're thrilled CiderCon is coming to Portland, Oregon January 16-19, 2024. As a result, NWCA will focus our energies on supporting this CiderCon and will not host a 2024 Symposium. NW Cider Symposium will resume March 2025.

NWCA seeks to make the most of CiderCon and to drive NW cider sales. Starting this summer, NWCA team member Jana Daisy Ensign will begin coordinating a special edition of Oregon Cider Week to take place surrounding CiderCon. We need at least 5 NWCA members to help plan cider week as well as an impactful buyer/media event for northwest cideries to kick off CiderCon. Reach out to janad@nwcider.com to be in the loop and be a part of the planning.

CONNECT WITH US!

Please make sure you're following us on Facebook and Instagram @nwcider. We are so excited to see all of you together!

Yours.

Emily Sitchie

Emily Ritchie

Executive Director, Northwest Cider Association

Cheers.

Scott Katsma

NWCA Board President, Seattle Cider Co



VENDORS BY BOOTH NUMBER

| ORGANIZATION | B00TH# | | |
|---|---------|--|--|
| Columbia Label | 1 | | |
| Petainer | 2 | | |
| Della Toffola | 3 | | |
| G&D Chillers | 4 | | |
| Gusmer Enterprises, Inc | 5 | | |
| Greater Gig Harbor Foundation - CIDER SWIG | 6 | | |
| G4 Kegs | 7 | | |
| Heidi Moore Country Financial | 8 | | |
| Trysk Print Solutions | 9 | | |
| CanSource | 10 | | |
| Enartis | 11 | | |
| Cider Bar ▼ (open 4 - 5:30 pm) | 12 | | |
| American Cider Association | 13 | | |
| Weber Flavors | 14 | | |
| Criveller | 15 | | |
| Wyeast | 16 | | |
| Northwest Naturals | 17 - 18 | | |
| Cider Bar | 18 | | |
| Empire Can Handling | 19 | | |
| Great Little Box Co | 20 | | |
| Scott Labs | 21 | | |
| GEA | 22 | | |
| Ekos | 23 | | |
| Jenrey | 24 | | |

| ORGANIZATION | B00TH# |
|--------------------------|--------|
| Craft Canning | 25 |
| Washington Farm Bureau | 26 |
| Cider Institute of North | 27 |
| America | |
| Rack & Maintenance | 28 |
| Source | |
| Northwestern Extract | 29 |
| Atlas Labels & Packaging | 30 |
| FruitSmart | 35 |
| Cider Bar | 36 |
| Juicing.Systems | 37 |
| ProRefrigeration | 38 |

VENDORS BY ALPHABETICAL ORDER

| ORGANIZATION | B00TH# | | | |
|----------------------------|-------------------|--|--|--|
| American Cider Association | 13 | | | |
| Atlas Labels & Packaging | 30 | | | |
| CanSource | 10 | | | |
| Cider Institute of North | itute of North 27 | | | |
| America | | | | |
| Columbia Label | 1 | | | |
| Craft Canning | 25 | | | |
| Criveller | 15 | | | |
| Della Toffola 3 | | | | |
| Ekos | 23 | | | |
| Empire Can Handling | 19 | | | |

| ORGANIZATION | B00TH# | | |
|-------------------------|---------|--|--|
| Enartis | 11 | | |
| FruitSmart | 35 | | |
| G&D Chillers | 4 | | |
| G4 Kegs | 7 | | |
| GEA | 22 | | |
| Great Little Box Co | 20 | | |
| Greater Gig Harbor | 6 | | |
| Foundation - CIDER SWIG | | | |
| Gusmer Enterprises, Inc | 5 | | |
| Heidi Moore Country | 8 | | |
| Financial | | | |
| Jenrey | 24 | | |
| Juicing.Systems | 37 | | |
| Northwest Naturals | 17 - 18 | | |
| Northwestern Extract | 29 | | |
| Petainer | 2 | | |
| ProRefrigeration | 38 | | |
| Rack & Maintenance | 28 | | |
| Source | | | |
| Scott Labs | 21 | | |
| Trysk Print Solutions | 9 | | |
| Washington Farm Bureau | 26 | | |
| Weber Flavors | 14 | | |
| Wyeast | 16 | | |

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AGENDA OVERVIEW

| START | END TIME | EVENT | LOCATION | TRACK |
|----------|----------|--|------------------------------------|-----------|
| 8:00 AM | | Registration Check in Open | Registration Desk | |
| 8:00 AM | 9:00 AM | Coffee & Visit the Trade Show | Ballroom & Registration Lobbies | |
| 9:00 AM | 10:30 AM | Opening Session & Discussion Groups | Ballroom AB | |
| 10:45 AM | 11:45 AM | Workshop Sessions A | | |
| | | Orchard Operations: Labor Issues and Employment Sustainability | 315 | Growing |
| | | French Style Cider Process | 316 | Making |
| | | Do's and Don'ts, Will's and Won'ts: Engaging Effectively with Media | Ballroom C | Marketing |
| | | Cidery Data Analytics – Nerding Out With Numbers | Ballroom D | Executive |
| 11:45 AM | 12:15 PM | Visit the Tradeshow | Ballroom & Registration Lobbies | |
| 12:15 PM | 1:15 PM | Lunch | Ballroom AB | |
| 1:30 PM | 2:30 PM | Workshop Sessions B | | |
| | | Five things you can do TODAY to level up your social media | 315 | Marketing |
| | | Wood and Barrel Programs for the Cidermaker | 316 | Making |
| | | Evolution of Pommages for Cider in North America | Ballroom C | Growing |
| | | Craft 5 Different Cider Styles from One Variety | Ballroom D | Making |
| 2:30 PM | 3:00 PM | Visit the Trade show & Book Signing | Ballroom & Registration Lobbies | |
| 3:00 PM | 4:00 PM | Workshop Sessions C | | |
| | | Climate Change Implications, Opportunities, and Planning for Uncertainty | 315 | Growing |
| | | An Inside Job: Building an Unbreakable Culture for Results | 316 | Executive |
| | | Let's get COZY with CO-FERMENTS | Ballroom D | Making |
| 4:00 PM | 5:30 PM | Cider Happy Hour in the Trade Show | Ballroom & Registration Lobbies | |
| 5:30 PM | 7:30 PM | After Party at Incline | 2115 S C St | |

HELLO NEW DRINKING BUDDY FELLOW CIDER LOVER, Since we are both ENJOYING FREE BOOZE Working hard together at this COCKTAIL PARTY DISGUISED AS NETWORKING EVENT cider symposium, let's chat about insurance! Kidding. Let's do more sampling... BUT... when you're ready to protect your business with honest & trustworthy customized insurance from a local agent who cares, know that I've got you covered from orchard to bottle. Get ahold of me & we can set a time to GO DAY DRINKING meet for coffee or jump on a video call.

CHEERS!

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OPENING SESSION & DISCUSSION GROUPS

9:00 AM - 10:30 AM • BALLROOM AB

Join NWCA Executive Director Emily Ritchie and Board President Scott Katsma for updates on the NW Cider industry. Then we'll break into small groups to meet each other and discuss our shared interests.

DISCUSSION GROUP TOPICS

- 1. Apple & Fruit Sourcing
- 2. Blending Ideas
- 3. Cider Industry Status and Future
- 4. Clubs Working with a Direct Shipper
- 5. Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion in the Workforce
- 6. Economic Development
- 7. Environmentally Friendly Businesses
- 8. Fermentation & Quality Control

- 9. Foraging for Fruit
- 10. How to Talk to the Press
- 11. Human Resources
- 12. Managing Microbes
- 13. Marketing
- 14. Mentorship Programs
- 15. Named Appellations for Cider Regions
- 16. New to the Industry / Cider in Planning
- 17. Out-of-the-box & Off the Wall Ciders

- 18. Recovery & Alcoholism
- 19. Regulations & Labeling
- 20. Resources for Cider Producers
- 21. Scaling Up Production
- 22. Selling in Japan
- 23. Small Scale Orcharding
- 24. Starting a Tasting room
- 25. Tasting Room Event Ideas Getting Creative



WORKSHOP SESSION A

10:45 AM - 11:45 AM

ORCHARD OPERATIONS: LABOR ISSUES AND EMPLOYMENT SUSTAINABILITY

GROWING TRACK • MEETING ROOM 315

Presenters:

- Edgar Franks, Political Director, <u>Familias Unidas por la Justicia</u>
- Kyle McLennan, Co-Founder & President, 19 Acres Cider Co

Learn about orchard operations from multiple perspectives. Edgar Franks of Familias Unidas por la Justicia will discuss the work of picking & processing fruit and the health impacts of workers and communities. Kyle McLennan of 19 Acres and Oregon Heritage Farms will share details about orchard operations, highlighting hiring and retaining workers.

FRENCH STYLE CIDER PROCESS

MAKING TRACK • MEETING ROOM 316

Presenters:

- Hervé Duclos, Cidermaker, <u>Domaine Duclos Fougeray</u>
- Moderator: Darlene Hayes, Writer, allintocider.com

A presentation of the different steps of the French method of making farm and craft ciders will give you the keys of success to produce a naturally sweet quality cider. The following topics will be covered: Raw material quality, pressing, clarification, fermentation speed control, and different sparkling methods.

DO'S AND DON'TS, WILL'S AND WON'TS: ENGAGING EFFECTIVELY WITH MEDIA

MARKETING TRACK • BALLROOM C

Presenters:

- Kristin Bacon, Publisher & CEO, Sip Magazine
- Caitlin Braam, Founder & CEO, Yonder Cider & The Source

Ever wonder how to get your cidery featured in your favorite media outlet? It may be easier than you think. Learn the ins and outs of working with the media. Leave this session with press release templates, social media tactics, easy product photography tricks, tips for sending samples, suggestions on what not to do and much more.

CIDERY DATA ANALYTICS — NERDING OUT WITH NUMBERS

EXECUTIVE TRACK • BALLROOM D

Presenters:

- Casey Baxter, National Sales Director, <u>Blake's Hard Cider</u>
- Aaron Sarnoff-Wood, Co-Founder / VP of Sales, <u>2 Towns Ciderhouse</u>

Let's take a look at National & Regional cider in the PNW and cider's performance compared to the total beer market utilizing IRI & Nielsen analytics. We'll dive into trends, leading package formats, ABV, and cider styles. Learn how data can help your business & how to translate data to fine tune your approach to market sales and production.





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WORKSHOP SESSION B

1:30 PM - 2:30 PM

FIVE THINGS YOU CAN DO TODAY: LEVEL UP YOUR SOCIAL MEDIA

MARKETING TRACK • MEETING ROOM 315

Presenter:

- Maura Hardman, PR & Marketing Manager, <u>Seattle Cider Company</u>
- Molly Leadbetter, Co-Owner & Marketing Director, Meriwether Cider

If you're ready to improve your cider social media presence but don't know where to invest your time and energy, this session is for you. Join Molly Leadbetter of Meriwether Cider and Maura Hardman of Seattle Cider Co as they discuss actionable strategies, tips and tactics for video, storytelling, user generated content, images, and interacting with your audience.

WOOD AND BARREL PROGRAMS FOR THE CIDERMAKERS

MAKING TRACK • MEETING ROOM 316

Presenter:

- Seth Cohen, Cidermaker, <u>Archibald James Wine and Ciderworks</u>
- Hervé Duclos, Cidermaker, <u>Domaine Duclos Fougeray</u>

Join us to discuss the applications of oak and cooperage in cider production, from choosing the right barrel or wood products to managing cooperage in the cellar. We will cover tactics and objectives for the use of barrels in your cider program and the influence on cider character and attributes.

EVOLUTION OF POMMAGES FOR CIDER IN NORTH AMERICA

GROWING TRACK • BALLROOM C

Presenter:

- Claude Jolicoeur, Author & Cidermaker, <u>Cider Planet</u>
- Moderator: Darlene Hayes, Writer, <u>allintocider.com</u>

In regions where there is no long-standing cider tradition, it is more difficult to select appropriate apple varieties than it is in traditional cider regions of Europe where pommages are well characterized. This presentation focuses on the steps leading to the establishment of original pommages in North America and PNW.

CRAFT 5 DIFFERENT CIDER STYLES FROM ONE VARIETY

MAKING TRACK • BALLROOM D

Presenter:

- Lorenza Allen, Technical Marketing Specialist, <u>Enartis</u>
- Andrew Byers, Cider Maker, Duke of Tanks, <u>Finnriver Farm & Cidery</u>

Join us and taste how different cider flavors can be created from one single dessert apple variety. In this session we will explore powerful diversification tools available to cidermakers and showcase the potential of mannoproteins, yeasts, tannins, and oak alternatives.

Sponsored Session presented by Enartis.





WORKSHOP SESSION C

3:00 PM - 4:00 PM

CLIMATE CHANGE IMPLICATIONS, OPPORTUNITIES, AND PLANNING FOR UNCERTAINTY

GROWING TRACK • MEETING ROOM 315

Presenters:

- Kathryn Doonan, Extension Coordinator, WSU Center for Sustaining Agriculture & Natural Resources
- Marcus Roberts, Cidermaker / President, <u>Tieton Cider Works</u>

Climate change is not just a looming, future threat. Impacts are being felt in orchards across the state, through changing seasonal temperatures, pests, and even possible positive effects. What are some practical implications of climate change? How can we improve climate adaptation and resiliency through management practices, even in an uncertain future?

AN INSIDE JOB: BUILDING AN UNBREAKABLE CULTURE FOR RESULTS

EXECUTIVE TRACK • MEETING ROOM 316

Presenters:

- Moe Carrick, Author & CEO, Moementum, Inc.
- Colin Schilling, CEO & Co-Founder, <u>Schilling Hard Cider</u>

Want great performance for your company? Frustrated with never ending people issues? It's time to fix your culture. Culture is measurable but not visible, simple but not easy, hard to build but easy to break. Join us to explore how Schilling Cider shifted their efforts to create a tangible positive culture that employees rave about.

LET'S GET COZY WITH CO-FERMENTS

MAKING TRACK • BALLROOM D

Presenters:

- Kim Hamblin, Cidermaker, Art+Science, Cider+Wine
- Christine Walter, Head Cider Maker and Owner, Bauman's Cider Company
- Nick Gunn, Consultant, BenchGraft Cider Consulting

Everything you've ever wanted to know about mixing up your fruits and fermenting them but have been afraid to ask! We will cover sexy topics such as: Is there a name for this? Does it change your tax class? Does timing matter? What could go wrong? And why would anyone even want to do this?



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Come say hi! We're in booth #37



OTHER EVENTS

11:45 AM - 7:30 PM

ASK THE EXPERT: LABELING, PACKAGING & COMPLIANCE

11:45 AM - 12:15PM • LOCATION: NEAR THE REGISTRATION DESK

Presenters:

Aaron Sarnoff-Wood, Co-Founder / VP of Sales, 2 Towns Ciderhouse

Do your COLAs keep getting rejected? Want some clarification as to which tax class your cider is in? Want to make an imperial cider and do it compliantly? Bring your labeling, packaging, and compliance questions to Aaron who has been through it all and can point you in the right direction.

CIDER PLANET BOOK SIGNING

2:30 PM - 3:00 PM • LOCATION: AMERICAN CIDER ASSOCIATION BOOTH #13

Presenters:

Claude Jolicoeur, Author & Cidermaker, <u>Cider Planet</u>

Claude Jolicouer is a long-time cider maker and author of the recently released Cider Planet and of The New Cider Maker's Handbook, which has been acclaimed worldwide as a major reference on the topic of cider making. Cider Planet is available for purchase at the ACA booth.

CIDER HAPPY HOUR

4:00 PM - 5:30 PM

Join us for a cider, snack, and social hour in the Trade Show. Make one final round of connections with our Allied Supplier members and grab a taste of cider from any of the three cider bars.

Happy Hour is sponsored by the American Cider Association.



AFTER PARTY

5:30 PM - 7:30 PM • INCLINE CIDER, 2115 S C ST

Toast to a successful Symposium! After happy hour, walk down to Incline Cider House for 16 taps loaded with ciders from symposium attendees. Incline is graciously giving attendees a 15% discount on all tabs and cider flights are just \$10.







COMING UP IN JUNE

JUNE 12, 2023



NW Cider Cup, formerly Portland International Cider Cup, returns on June 12, 2023 for a 10th year. The competition encourages and provides training in support of NW cideries' pursuit of crafting high quality cider. With an ever-deepening understanding of apple origins, cultivation and evolving cidermaking techniques, NWCA significantly revised the Categories Accepted for the 2023 competition.

CATEGORIES ACCEPTED

Accepting entries starting April 4. picc.nwcider.com

CIDER MADE FROM FERMENTING APPLES

LOW-TANNIN CIDERS

- DRY FG < 1.007 (< 1.8 Brix)
- SWEET FG > 1.007 (> 1.8 Brix)

HIGH-TANNIN CIDERS

- DRY FG < 1.007 (< 1.8 Brix)
- SWEET FG > 1.007 (> 1.8 Brix)

WOOD/OAKED CIDERS

- DRY FG < 1.007 (< 1.8 Brix)
- SWEET FG > 1.007 (> 1.8 Brix)

RED-FLESHED CIDERS

- DRY FG < 1.007 (< 1.8 Brix)
- **SWEET** FG > 1.007 (> 1.8 Brix)

SINGLE VARIETAL CIDERS

CIDER WITH ADDITIONS

FRUIT CIDERS

- CO-FERMENTED
- POST-FERMENTATION ADDITION

BOTANICAL CIDERS

- HOPPED
- HERBED
- SPICED

PERRY MADE FROM FERMENTING PEARS

PERRIES

- LOW-TANNIN PERRIES
- HIGH-TANNIN PERRIES

CIDER WITH SPECIALTY PRODUCTION

SPECIALTY CIDERS

- FORTIFIED
- UN-FERMENTED/ LOW ALCOHOL/ALC-REMOVED
- OTHER

SAVE THE DATE

FOR THE NW CIDER CUP AWARDS PARTY!

JUNE 15, 2023

AT POLARIS HALL IN PORTLAND



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THANKS TO OUR PLANNING TEAM!

A huge shout out to the 2023 NW Cider Symposium Planning Team. Thank you for helping plan the Symposium!

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NWCA MULTI YEAR MARKETING PLAN

OBJECTIVE

#1

Build the reputation of the Northwest cider industry as the global category leader, known for premium, innovative and genuine ciders, as measured by changed consumer habits.

OBJECTIVE

#2

Increase Northwest cider demand and share.

STRATEGIES

Steward industry trade/gatekeepers (defined as: distributors, account buyers, bartenders, media and influencers) on their journey from 'cider curious' to 'cider ambassador,' establishing/nurturing long term relationships, providing consumer insights and cider education/experiences.

Gain insight into who the 'cider curious' consumer is, learning their habits/preferences and illuminating how to best reach them. Use these insights to help educate/inspire this actively buying, established market segment to choose NW cider more often. Support trade/gatekeepers to provide more selection/opportunities to choose cider.

Empower NW cideries, with collective effort, sharing valuable insight about the dynamic cider market and the PNW cider curious customer. Work hand in hand welcoming trade/gatekeepers to become cider ambassadors. Build excitement and alignment among cider industry members to amplify marketing efforts and outcomes.

AUDIENCES

Industry Trade/Gatekeepers defined as: distributors, account buyers, bartenders, media and influencers

'Cider Curious' Consumers defined as: individuals who are already selecting and purchasing cider some of the time, but don't necessarily consider themselves a 'cider person' or 'cider fan.

Cideries defined as: cideries large and small, urban and rural, situated in the Northwest Cider Association footprint, which includes: OR, WA, ID, MT and British Columbia.

Board Members

1. Scott Katsma, President - Director of Fermentation and Innovation, Seattle Cider Co. //
2. Andrew Byers, Vice President - Co-Owner & Head Cidermaker, Finnriver Farm & Cidery // 3. Rachel Bolongaro, Treasurer - Fraser Valley Cider Co. // 4. Kristyn Fix, Secretary - Co-Owner, Slopeswell Cider Co. // 5. Emily Ritchie, Executive Director Northwest Cider Association // 6. Molly Leadbetter, Board Member - Co-owner, Meriwether Cider // 7. Cassandra Schwartz, Board Member - Communication, Community, and Marketing Strategist // 8. Jose Gonzalez, Board Member - La Familia Cider Company // 9. Amy Wood, Board Member - Senior Vice President, Curious Plot // 10. Andy Callis, Board Member - President, Callis Insurance // 11. Louann Casares, Board Member - Director of Human Resources, 2 Towns Ciderhouse // 12. Trevor Hertrich - Wine Educator at Naked Wines, Hood River, OR





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