

Here Are the Winners of the 2018 Washington Beer Awards

Consider this your
summertime imbibing agenda.

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The annual Washington Beer Awards has bestowed blessings upon some of our state's finest breweries for its sixth annual beer competition—the biggest one yet with 1,297 sudsy submissions from 181 local breweries. The winners were once again announced at the Washington Brewers Festival on June 16. Consider the following your handy guide to the cream of the hop crop.

Let's raise a glass to Grains of Wrath Brewing, Populuxe Brewing, E9 Brewery (for the third consecutive year!), and Wander Brewing for their very small, small, mid-sized, and large brewery of the year wins, respectively.

And without further ado, the other accolades of ale.

German Pale Lagers

Gold: Mirage, Ski Mask

Silver: Beardslee Public House, Duh Dortmunder

Bronze: Barrel Mountain Brewing, Luv Ya Lager

German-Style Pilsners

Gold: Grains Of Wrath Brewing, Luger Pils

Silver: Kulshan Brewing Co., K2, Kulshan Pilsner

Bronze: Wander Brewing, Doglost



Bohemian-Style Pilsners

Gold: Bron Yr Aur Brewing Co., Heisenberg Pils
Silver: Chuckanut Brewery, Chuckanut Pilsner
Bronze: Reuben's Brews, Pilsner

American-Style Pilsners

Gold: Airways Brewing, Pre Flight Pilsner
Silver: Farmstrong Brewing Co., Cold Beer Skagit Pils
Bronze: Yakima Craft Brewing Co., Pilsnerd

Vienna-Style Lagers

Gold: Chuckanut Brewery, Chuckanut Vienna Lager
Silver: Grains Of Wrath Brewing, Austro-Naut
Bronze: Triceratops Brewing Company, Pennsylvucky Lager

German Dark Lagers

Gold: Cloudburst Brewing, No Mistakes
Silver: Redhook Brewery, Dunkel Town
Bronze: Chuckanut Brewery, Chuckanut Dunkel

American-Style Lagers

Gold: Loowit Brewing Company, Loowit Lager
Silver: Odin Brewing Co., Freya's Gold Lager
Bronze: Pacific Brewing and Malting Co., 1897 Pale Lager

Other American-Style Lagers

Gold: Kulshan Brewing Co., James Street, Amber Lager
Silver: Brothers Cascadia Brewing, Crazy 88
Bronze: Lowercase Brewing, Mexican lager

International Lagers

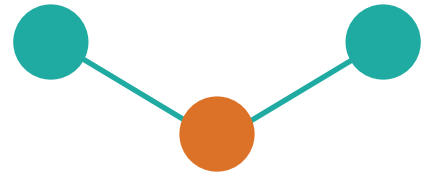
Gold: 54-40 Brewing Company, 1862
Silver: Mollusk Brewing, Dexter Daily
Bronze: Chuckanut Brewery, Chuckanut Mexican Lager

Bocks and Doppelbocks

Gold: Kulshan Brewing Co., K2, Kulshan Maibock
Silver: Hopworks Urban Brewery Vancouver, Doppel 07
Bronze: Chuckanut Brewery, Chuckanut Doppelbock

German-Style Kölsch

Gold: Watts Brewing Company, The Leafcutter (as Kellerbier)
Silver: Watts Brewing Company, The Leafcutter (as Kölsch)
Bronze: Icicle Brewing Company, Snow Creek Kölsch



Other German Amber Beers

Gold: Chuckanut Brewery, Chuckanut Marzen
Silver: Resonate Brewery and Pizzeria, Lithium
Bronze: Dru Bru, Copper

German Wheat Beers

Gold: North 47 Brewing Co., Amber Waves
Silver: Dru Bru, Hefeweizen
Bronze: Cairn Brewing, Donnie Dunkel (Weizen)

American Wheat Beers

Gold: Three Magnets Brewing, Shig Faced
Silver: Populuxe Brewing, Bring That Wheat Back
Bronze: Fish Brewing Company, Dunkelweizen

Rye Beers

Gold: Dreadnought Brewing, Red Elvis
Silver: Loowit Brewing Company, Grimlock Rye Porter
Bronze: Lowercase Brewing, IPA

American-Style Cream Ales

Gold: Wet Coast Brewing Co., Wet Coast Cream Ale
Silver: Bron Yr Aur Brewing Co., Beaver Deceiver
Bronze: Flyers Restaurant and Brewery, Penn Cove Pilsner

Golden or Blonde Ales

Gold: Dick's Brewing Co., Golden Ale
Silver: North 47 Brewing Co., Bitchin Betty
Bronze: McMenamins Breweries, Nebraska Bitter

Session Beers

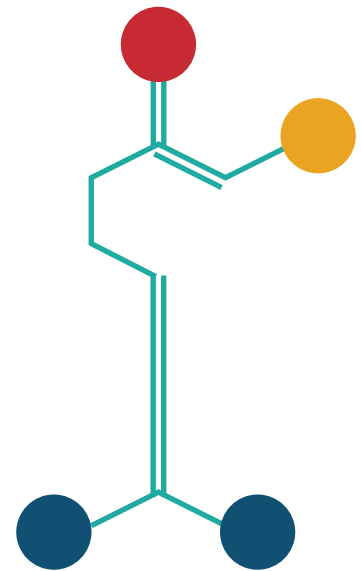
Gold: Bainbridge Brewing, Mosquito Fleet Session IPA
Silver: Brothers Cascadia Brewing, Best Day Ever
Bronze: Fremont Brewing, Session Pale

Ordinary and Special/Best Bitters

Gold: Rainy Daze Brewing, Test Drive Amber
Silver: Dick's Brewing Co., Dick's Best Bitter
Bronze: Puyallup River Brewing Co., English Pale Ale

Extra Special Bitters

Gold: San Juan Island Brewing, Bull Kelp ESB
Silver: Elysian Brewing, The Wise
Bronze: Ravenna Brewing Company, ESB-Real



English Pale Ales

Gold: Flyers Restaurant And Brewery, Humbles Blonde Ale
Silver: Port Townsend Brewing Co., Hop Diggidy
Bronze: Stones Throw Brewery, Flat Penny Pale

English Dark Ales

Gold: Puyallup River Brewing Co., British Bronze
Silver: Foggy Noggin Brewing, Butch's Brew
Bronze: Cardinal Craft Brewing, Brown Ale

British Strong Ales

Gold: Cairn Brewing, Wee Heavy
Silver: White Bluffs Brewing, Mighty Knight Imperial Stout
Bronze: Barrel Mountain Brewing, Winch It Out Stout

Scottish Shilling Ales

Gold: Bron Yr Aur Brewing Co., Bonnie Doon Scottish Ale
Silver: Postdoc Brewing, Kilty MacSporran
Bronze: Geaux Brewing, Wee Y'at?

Scotch Ales

Gold: Heathen Brewing, Highland Charge
Silver: Silver City Brewery, Magnificent Bastard
Bronze: Cairn Brewing, Don't Call Me Irish

Irish Red Ales

Gold: Kulshan Brewing Co., K2, Red Cap
Silver: Whitewall Brewing Company, Sassy Lassie
Bronze: Heathen Brewing, Arson

Brown Porters

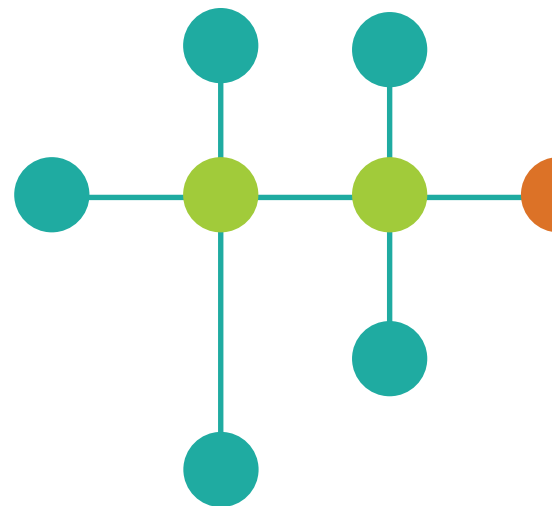
Gold: Ram Restaurant and Brewery, Disorder Porter
Silver: Machine House Brewery, Porter
Bronze: Old Schoolhouse Brewery, Uncle Big's Brown

Robust Porters

Gold: Flying Bike Cooperative Brewery, Phinneywood
Silver: Stoup Brewing, Robust Porter
Bronze: Airways Brewing, Curbside Porte

Strong Porters

Gold: Sound Brewery, Baltic Porter
Silver: Melvin Brewing Bellingham, Melixor Baltica
Bronze: Bent Bine Brew Co., Peaceable American Porter



Sweet/Cream Stouts

Gold: Four Generals Brewing, Buddhahed Milk Stout

Silver: Cairn Brewing, Thor's Hammer

Bronze: Wet Coast Brewing Co., Sneak Thief Stout

Oatmeal Stouts

Gold: Backwoods Brewing Company, Ridge Run Stout

Silver: Rainy Daze Brewing, Built For Comfort

Bronze: Barrel Mountain Brewing, Starway Stout

Irish Stouts

Gold: Wander Brewing, Correspondent

Silver: Dick's Brewing Co., Dick's Cream Stout

Bronze: Reuben's Brews, Dry Stout

American-Style Stouts

Gold: Aslan Brewing Company, American Stout

Silver: Top Rung Brewing Company, My Dog Scout Stout

Bronze: Old Schoolhouse Brewery, Hooligan Stout

American-Style Imperial Stouts

Gold: Black Raven Brewing, Grandfather Raven

Silver: Heathen Brewing, Epitaph

Bronze: Bale Breaker Brewing Co., Wood & Wire Imperial Stout

American-Style Pale Ales

Gold: Odd Otter Brewing Co., Ottzel Quatzel

Silver: Stoup Brewing, Mosaic Pale

Bronze: Grains Of Wrath Brewing, Papermaker Pale

American-Style Strong Pale Ales

Gold: Melvin Brewing Bellingham, Tiger Style

Silver: Grains Of Wrath Brewing, Overkill IPA

Bronze: Everybody's Brewing, Mountain Mama Pale Ale

American Amber Ales

Gold: Valholl Brewing Company, Valkyrie Red

Silver: Chainline Brewing Company, Recumbent

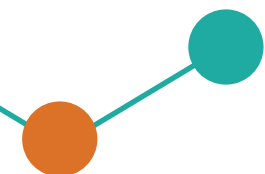
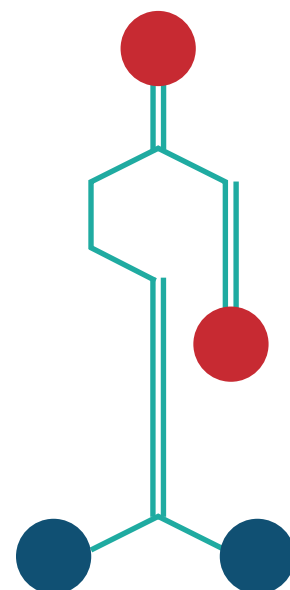
Bronze: Manfish Brewing, Red-Headed Step Child

American-Style Brown Ales

Gold: Iron Goat Brewing, Brown

Silver: Flying Bike Cooperative Brewery, Gentle Ben

Bronze: Trap Door Brewing, Uptown Brown



American-Style Black Ales

Gold: Reuben's Brews, Black Imperial IPA
Silver: Trusty Brewing Company, Dark Marc
Bronze: North 47 Brewing Co., Nightmare 21

American-Style India Pale Ales

Gold: Hellbent Brewing Company, Gate City IPA
Silver: White Bluffs Brewing, Fans In Denial
Bronze: Georgetown Brewing Company, Bodhizafa

American-Style India Pale Ales: Northeastern Substyle

Gold: McMenamins Breweries, Egyptian Cotton IPA
Silver: Brothers Cascadia Brewing, You Like 'A Da Juice
Bronze: Airways Brewing, Luxury Jet

Imperial or Double India Pale Ales

Gold: Cash Brewing Co., Top Spin Double IPA
Silver: Good Brewing Co., 100 Percent Pink Boots
Bronze: Sumerian Brewing Co., Hopruption Double IPA

Imperial or Double India Pale Ale: Northeastern Sub-Style

Gold: Trap Door Brewing, Juicy Vuitton
Silver: Grains Of Wrath Brewing, Onslaught
Bronze: Reuben's Brews, Triple Crush

Imperial or Double Red Ales

Gold: Resonate Brewery and Pizzeria, Red Sector
Silver: No-Li Brewhouse, Born and Raised
Bronze: Reuben's Brews, Life On Mars

Barleywines

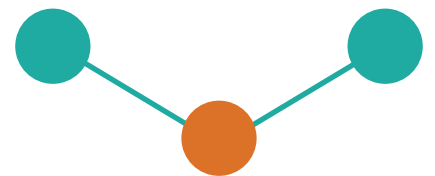
Gold: Figurehead Brewing Company, First Leg
Silver: Optimism, Ale X
Bronze: River City Brewing, Colonel Crusher

Belgo-American and International Ales

Gold: Barrel Mountain Brewing, Silver Star Session
Silver: Chainline Brewing Company, Pump Track
Bronze: Reuben's Brews, Triumvirate

Belgian-Style Witbiers

Gold: Lowercase Brewing, Witbier
Silver: E9 Brewery, E9 Belgian White
Bronze: Flying Lion Brewing, Belgian Witbier



Belgian Ales

Gold: Wander Brewing, Wanderale

Silver: Bainbridge Brewing, Bainbridge Blonde

Bronze: Lost Woods Brewery, Lost Woods Belgian

Abbey-Inspired Ales

Gold: Perihelion Brewery, Quasar

Silver: Cash Brewing Co., Dubbel Header

Bronze: North Fork Pizza and Brewing, Brother Crazy John

Belgian Strong Ales

Gold: Kulshan Brewing Co., James Street, Belgian Golden Strong

Silver: Grains Of Wrath Brewing, Brewhouse Bully

Bronze: Figurehead Brewing Company, Midwatch

Belgian and French Farmhouse Ales

Gold: Northish Beer Company, Stable Boy

Silver: Optimism, Pride

Bronze: Fortside Brewing Company, Kanaka

Specialty Saisons

Gold: Aslan Brewing Company, Justice Temple

Silver: Dystopian State, O.G. Farmhouse

Bronze: Cairn Brewing, Winter Sunshine

Brett Beers

Gold: Standard Brewing, Time Crystals Number 2

Silver: E9 Brewery, Aeons

Bronze: E9 Brewery, Catharsis

Mixed Culture Brett Beers

Gold: E9 Brewery, Atma

Silver: Tin Dog Brewing, Mandala

Bronze: Mirage, Drie Valleien

Berliner-Style Weisses

Gold: Wander Brewing, Foeder-Aged Berliner Weiss

Silver: Ravenna Brewing Company, North Potion

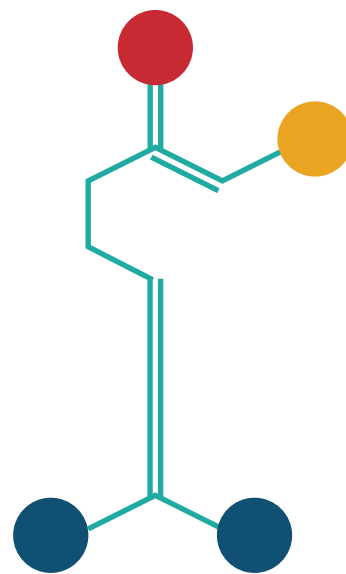
Bronze: Aslan Brewing Company, Disco Lemonade

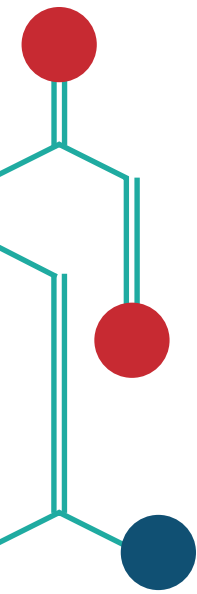
Goses

Gold: Ten Pin Brewing Co., Guava Gose

Silver: Reuben's Brews, Gose

Bronze: 20 Corners Brewing Company, Mountain Berry Gose





American-Style Sour Ales

Gold: Stoup Brewing, Pale Sour

Silver: Dirty Bucket Brewing Co., BlackBerry Sour Part Of Our Dirty Lil Pucker Collection

Bronze: Heathen Brewing, Raspberry Rhubarb Sour

Belgian and Wild Sour Beers

Gold: Elliott Bay Brewing Company, Spontaneous

Silver: Harmon Brewing Company, Flander Red

Bronze: Tin Dog Brewing, Melange Deux

American-Style Fruit Beer

Gold: Big Block Brewing, Cherry Sour

Silver: Silver City Brewery, Sun Glitter

Bronze: Haywire Brewing Co., U-Pick Strawberry Pale Ale

Fruit Wheat Beers

Gold: Populuxe Brewing, Raspberry Wheat

Silver: Ten Pin Brewing, Groove Pineapple Wheat

Bronze: North Jetty Brewing, Another F**king Raspberry Hef

Belgian Fruit Beers

Gold: E9 Brewery, The Duel

Silver: E9 Brewery, MERAKEI Number 2

Bronze: North Fork Pizza and Brewing, No. 13 Baby

Vegetable Beers

Gold: Airways Brewing, Batch Number 707

Silver: Métier Brewing, Coconut Porter

Bronze: Propolis Brewing, Melissa

Chili Pepper Beers

Gold: Beardslee Public House, Pepper Lime Pils

Silver: Steam Donkey Brewing Co., Shindig En Fuego

Bronze: 20 Corners Brewing Company, Pepper Lager

Chocolate or Cocoa Beers

Gold: Ram Restaurant and Brewery, Cocoa Chaos

Silver: Icicle Brewing Company, Darker Persuasion

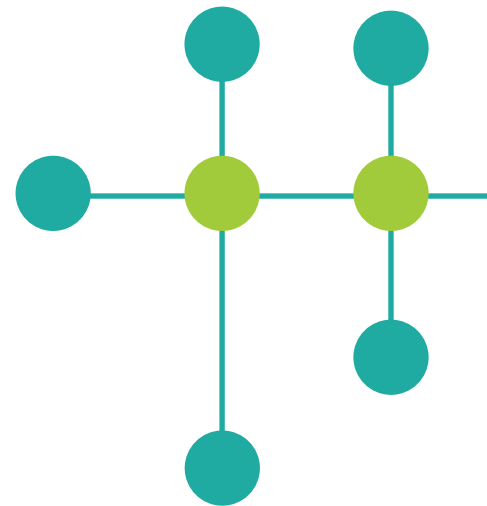
Bronze: Icicle Brewing Company, Dark Persuasion

Coffee Beers

Gold: Ram Restaurant and Brewery, Udder Chaos

Silver: Georgetown Brewing Company, Bob's Coffee Brown

Bronze: Top Rung Brewing Company, Three Sixty Coffee Red



Herb and Spice Beers

Gold: Atwood Ales Farm Brewery, Mo's Saison

Silver: Ten Pin Brewing Co., Horchata Snake Eye Stout

Bronze: Ten Pin Brewing Co., All About That Bas-ll

Smoke Beers

Gold: Dru Bru, Rauchbier

Silver: Walking Man Brewing, Zero Bullsh*t Monastery

Bronze: Headless Mumby Brewing, Smoked Rye Lager

Specialty and Historical Beers

Gold: Populuxe Brewing, Maltøl

Silver: Rooftop Brewing Company, Hoppin' Honey

Bronze: The Pike Brewing Company, Pike Hive Five Honey Ale

Experimental Beers

Gold: The Hidden Mother Brewery, Pine Tree Peppercorn Saison

Silver: The Hidden Mother Brewery, Morel Mushroom Red

Bronze: Lucky Envelope Brewing, Peanut Butter Cream Stout

Wood and Barrel Aged Beers

Gold: Willapa Brewing Co., Double Knee Whiskey Stout

Silver: Wander Brewing, Wild Warehouse

Bronze: Ten Pin Brewing, Barrel Aged BeWILDerIng C

Wood and Barrel Aged Strong Beers

Gold: Steam Donkey Brewing Co., Shindig On The Beach

Silver: Fremont Brewing, Bourbon Barrel Aged Dark Star

Bronze: Loowit Brewing Company, Cryptodome

Wood and Barrel Aged Sour Beers

Gold: Stoup Brewing, Funky Cold Bordelleaux

Silver: Optimism, Raspberry Solar Punk

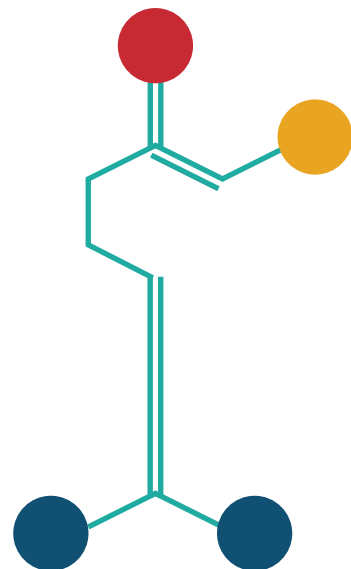
Bronze: Wander Brewing, Plum Bob

Pro-Am

Gold: Figurehead Brewing Company with homebrewer Paul Navarrette, Big Wheel Brown (English Brown Ale)

Silver: Lucky Envelope Brewing with homebrewer Blake Dopeker, Cuke Nukem (Field Beer)

Bronze: Reuben's Brews with homebrewer Brian Hale, Game Over (Scotch Ale)



Collaboration Beers*

Gold: Lowercase Brewing and Georgetown Brewing, Italian Pilsner

Silver: Trap Door Brewing and Dwinell Country Ales, Gift Horse

Bronze: Flying Lion Brewing and Four Generals Brewing,
Weizenbock

Best Washington Agricultural Product Inspired Beer

Propolis Brewing, Cherry Damiana

Best Washington Malt Beer

Atwood Ales Farm Brewery, Triticale

Very Small Brewery of the Year

Grains of Wrath Brewing

Small Brewery of the Year

Populuxe Brewing

Mid-Sized Brewery of the Year

E9 Brewery

Large Brewery of the Year

Wander Brewing

