



2nd Annual Liquid Poetry Slam

Sunday June 7, 2009

Northern Colorado's Liquid Poets homebrew club invites you to enter our 2nd annual AHA/BJCP sanctioned Liquid Poetry Slam homebrew competition!

Homebrew entries will be evaluated by experienced judges based on the **2008 BJCP Guidelines**. Medals will be awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners in each category, as well as for Best of Show Beer. **All BJCP 2008 beer categories (1-23) are accepted.** For Meads and Ciders (categories 24-28) we will be holding our 2nd Annual Muse Cup mead competition in September. Please check our website (www.liquidpoets.com) for additional information regarding the Muse Cup!

Liquid Poetry Slam Rules

Categories

Each beer will be judged according to the **2008 BJCP guidelines**. Beers of similar styles may be grouped together to allow for manageable judging sessions and reasonable competition. The top beer in each category will be judged in a final round to determine the Best of Show Beer.

GABF Pro-Am

This year we will have representatives from five different Fort Collins based breweries on hand to select a beer they would like to brew as their entry in the 2009 GABF Pro-Am competition. The breweries are CB & Potts Big Horn Brewery, Coopersmiths, Fort Collins Brewery, New Belgium Brewing Company and Odell Brewing Company. **In order to qualify for Pro-Am selection the brewer must be an AHA member at the time of submission and AHA membership must remain intact through the GABF.** Don't miss out on the chance to brew a batch of your beer with a professional brewer from these outstanding breweries and have that beer entered in the 2009 Great American Beer Festival Pro-Am competition!

Information also available at <http://slam.liquidpoets.com/2009>

Where to Enter:

Shipping and Drop Off:

Liquid Poetry Slam
C/O Hops and Berries
125 Remington Street
Fort Collins, CO 80524
(970) 493-2484
www.hopsandberries.com

Drop Off Locations:

Hop To It
2900 Valmont Rd #D2
Boulder, CO
(303) 444-8888
www.stompthemgrapes.com

Stomp Them Grapes
2563 15th Street 101
Denver, CO
(303) 433-6552
www.stompthemgrapes.com

Brew Hut
15108 E Hampden Ave
Aurora, CO
(800) 730-9336
www.thebrewhut.com

Beer at Home
1325 W. 121st Ave
Westminster, CO
(720) 872-9463
- and -
4393 S. Broadway
Englewood, CO
(303) 789-3676
www.beerathome.com

Left Hand Brewing Co.
1265 Boston Ave.
Longmont, CO 80201
(303) 772-0258
www.lefthandbrewing.com

Depot Street Merchants
316 W. 15th Street
Cheyenne, WY 82001
(307) 638-0662

My Home Brew Shop
625 Paonia St
Colorado Springs, CO 80915
(719) 528-1651
www.myhomebrew.com

Bottles

An entry shall consist of two (2) bottles, 10 - 22 ounce, preferably green or brown glass. Bottles must be clean of all paper, printed or enameled labels, label adhesive, misc. debris, or any other distinguishing features. Clear glass, wire swing-top and oversized bottles **are acceptable**, though **discouraged**. Printed crown caps are acceptable but must be blacked out completely with black marker to assure anonymity. Bottles will not be returned to entrants.

Entries and Paperwork

Each entry must have a single BJCP entry form completed containing brewer and recipe information. Online entry is also available at <http://slam.liquidpoets.com/entries>. Please be sure to print your online entry form and attach it to your bottles. Each bottle shall have a bottle identification form attached with a rubber band to facilitate collection of forms; glue and/or tape are unacceptable. Brewing software recipe sheets, such as Promash, are also accepted. Enter your beer according to the 2008 BJCP classifications – please see the BJCP website for a copy of these classifications. Please fill out the entry forms completely. Be meticulous about noting any special ingredients that must be specified per the BJCP Style Guidelines. Failure to note such ingredients may impact the judges' scoring of your entry.

Volunteers

Anyone interested in judging should contact the judge coordinator, Alex Grote (alex@grotegang.com). Anyone interested in being a steward should contact the head steward, Sara Thompson (ziggy_smiles24@hotmail.com).

Limitations

This competition is open to amateur home-brewers age 21 or older. Brewers are limited to one entry per BJCP subcategory. Additionally, in Category 23A (Historic, Experimental, or other uncategorized beer) types can be used as subtypes of the main category and more than one different beer entered, one in each subtype.

Entry Fees and Dates

An entry fee of \$6 per entry will be collected on all entries. Attach entry fee to the Entry and Recipe Form. Please make checks payable to **Liquid Poets**. Entries will be accepted between May 11 and May 29 at the drop off and shipping locations.

More Rules

Entrants agree to allow the Liquid Poets the right to publish recipes without compensation. All entries become property of the Liquid Poets. Infractions of these rules may disqualify any entry. Disqualified beers may still be judged but will not be eligible for awards. The judges may decide to not award any or all places in any category. The decision of the judges is final.

Judging

Homebrew judging will be on Sunday June 7, 2009. Judging sessions will be held at New Belgium Brewery, beginning at 9:00am. You do not need to be a registered BJCP judge to participate. If you have any questions about judging, please contact the Judge Coordinator, Alex Grote. Lunch will be provided for Judges and Stewards.

Awards Ceremony & Celebration

An awards ceremony will be held following the judging at Choice City Butcher and Deli. Please join us to help celebrate and cheer for all the winners.

Additional Information

Please contact the Competition Coordinator, Aaron Heaton (lp.eventscordinator@gmail.com), for additional information or questions.

Good Luck!