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### BEST OF OREGON FOOD & WINE FESTIVAL ANNOUNCES 2009 PARTICIPANTS

**Portland, OR** - Best of Oregon Food & Wine Festival is pleased to announce its preliminary group of partners participating in this year's event on Saturday, June 27th at the Oregon Convention Center.

Wineries included are: Archery Summit, Artisanal Wine Cellars, Bolton Cellars, Brooks Winery, Coeur De Terre Vineyard, Cubanisimo Vineyards, Duck Pond Cellars, Dukes Family Vineyards, Folin Cellars, Fox Farms Vineyards, Hawkins Cellars, J. Scott Cellars, Lenné Estate, LongSword Vineyard, Misty Oaks Vineyard, Pheasant Valley Winery, Quady North, Seufert Winery, Seven of Hearts, Valley View Winery, Viento Wines, Vista Hills Vineyard, VX Vineyards, WildAire Cellars, Wild Rose Vineyard and Willamette Valley Vineyards.

"The festival is pleased with the breadth and quality of this year's winery participants, from established and widely available wineries to newer, boutique producers, this year's line-up will spotlight some of the very best wines in the state," said Claudia Bowers, event producer and owner of Pravia Wines & Events.

"We have asked our winery participants to bring out their best wines to celebrate the Best of Oregon. For example, well-known Duck Pond Cellars will be there to pour their highly acclaimed upper tier bottlings," said Bowers. "This festival will be an opportunity for patrons to taste exquisite wines they might not otherwise have access to."

Culinary artisans slated to take part include: Cielo Blu, Davis Street Tavern, Gracie's, the Heathman, Phresh Organic Catering, Red Star Tavern, Savor, Silver Spoon, Sweet Masterpiece Chocolates, Trébol, Urban Farmer and Volcanic Minerals.

"This preliminary group of culinary artisans is beyond exciting - with leading restaurateurs and in-demand caterers to creative food concepts, the Best of Oregon will have it all," Bowers raved.

In addition to serving up samples at the festival, Trébol and Urban Farmer restaurants have graciously agreed to be restaurant partners for the event, each hosting a private, invite-only party in conjunction with Best of Oregon Food & Wine Festival.

Also just announced - Chef Rob Leon of Phresh Organic Catering and Chef Croslei Ripple of Silver Spoon will offer cooking demonstrations at their booths. A schedule of festival events and more information will be available on the website soon.



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"This is just a preview of what's to come. We will continually update our website with the latest additions to the event line-up," Bowers said.

Tickets for Best of Oregon Food & Wine Festival go on sale this month and are available on TicketWest. Visit [www.bestoforegonfoodandwine.com](http://www.bestoforegonfoodandwine.com) for more details on how to purchase tickets in advance and at the door.

Best of Oregon Food & Wine Festival is an event founded by locals with the mission to help revitalize and promote Oregon's local economy. That said, rather than inflate our ticket prices, we have designed an entrance fee that will partially benefit Doernbecher Children's Hospital, while encouraging our patrons to support our vendors inside the festival.

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