



The 2019 California Craft Spirits Competition Unveils Winners

*Distilleries from the Central Coast dominated the fourth-annual statewide competition.
Winners of the Craft Spirit Packaging and Design Awards revealed.*

June 24, 2019 (**Paso Robles, Calif.**) – The California Craft Spirits Competition (CCSC) is proud to announce the award-winning craft spirits from its fourth-annual blind-tasting event, held June 18 at the California Mid-State Fair. The complete list of Double Gold, Gold, Silver and Bronze award winners, is now available [here](#).

Best of Show went to KroBar Craft Distillery's Original Gin (Paso Robles), after winning a **Double Gold Medal** and the **Best Gin** award.

The **Best of Class** winners:

Best Whiskey

Re:Find Bourbon (Paso Robles)

Best Vodka

Tin City Distillery Unflavored Vodka (Paso Robles)

Best Brandy

Bethel Rd Grappa di Primitivo (Templeton)

Best Rum

KroBar Craft Distillery Navy Strength Rum (Paso Robles)

Best Liqueur

Calwise Spirits Co. Barrel Reserve Orange Liqueur (Paso Robles)

Packaging and Design awards:

Gold: Rod and Hammer's SLO Stills - Distiller's Reserve Rye Whiskey (San Luis Obispo)

Silver: Alley 6 Craft Distillery - Harvest Gin (Healdsburg)

Bronze: Lloyd Distillery - Bixby Gin (Gonzales)

"It's great to see this year's craft spirits truly showcasing California's breadth and ability to produce high quality spirits," said returning Chief Judge, Tim McDonald, president of Wine & Spirits Spoken Here. "It is evident, in comparison to previous years, how much growth

and development the craft spirit movement has gone through in California. I look forward to seeing where it goes next."

The competition took place on June 18 at Estrella Hall at the California Mid-State Fair. The panel of judges blind-tasted 55 entries in the different classes of craft spirits, awarding double gold, gold, silver and bronze medals and afterward, the Best of Show was chosen.

"We are proud to be able to showcase the best of the best in California's growing craft spirit movement," said California Mid-State Fair CEO, Michael Bradley. "Join us on Sunday, July 21 for the Get Crafty Mixology Contest and Tasting – to taste how our local mixologists use these award-winning products."

Get Crafty pairs award-winning distillers with mixologists to create a cocktail of their choice. [Tickets on sale now.](#)

About The California Craft Spirits Competition

The California Craft Spirits Competition (CCSC) highlights and celebrates craft distillers producing the finest quality artisan spirits inside and outside of California. For further information, please visit centralcoastwinecomp.com, and follow us on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter @CACraftSpiritsCompetition.