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## ***Miami Wine and Food Festival announces The Best in Glass Wine Challenge***

Last week The Miami Wine and Food Festival under the direction of Lyn Farmer realized his idea, *The Best in Glass Wine Challenge*, a reality as the newest element to his four day food and wine extravaganza. *The Best in Glass Wine Challenge* is an addition to the already successful Miami Wine and Food Festival's lineup of dinners, tastings and culinary demonstrations. *The Best in Glass Wine Challenge* was created to feature the world's best wines through a unique competition, judged by local experts for local drinkers being a win-win for everyone involved, states Farmer. *The Best in Glass Wine Challenge*, was a comprehensive, blind and rigorous wine competition, judged by some of South Florida's premiere sommeliers and wine directors.

The two-day challenge took place at the new School of Culinary Arts at Miami Dade College this past Sunday and Monday. The challenge focused on wines that are affordable and have mainstream appeal to consumers. The winning wines will be featured at more than 30 of South Florida's premier restaurants and hotels during Best in Glass month, which will run from March 14 through April 14 the wines will also be featured at the festival as well.

The Best in Glass Wine Challenge is the newest program addition to the 16th annual Miami Wine and Food Festival which will be held April 14-17, 2011, benefiting United Way of Miami-Dade. [Click here](#) for more informatin on the event. The award-winning wines will be featured at the festival's Saturday night Winner's Circle dinner. The *The Best in Glass Wine Challenge* Gold medal wines are:

2008 Fess Parker Chardonnay  
Caposaldo Moscato Dessert  
2009 Pine Ridge Chenin Blanc/Viognier  
2008 Riesling C.H. Berres "Impulse"  
Gruet Brut Sparkling  
2008 Benziger Family Chardonnay  
2008 Truchard NapaValley Chardonnay  
2009 La Spinetta Moscato D'Asti  
2009 Nora Alberiño Riax Baixas  
J Brut Rosé Sparkling  
2009 St SuperyVirtu  
2008 Castle Rock Reserve Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon  
2006 Benziger FamilyWinery Merlot, Sonoma County  
2007 Donna Laura Sangiovese  
2005 Antano Reserva  
2008 Michael David Winery 6th Sense Syrah  
2008 Petite Syrah Michael David  
2008 Lockwood Pinot Noir Block 7  
2008 Dipinti La Vis Pinot Noir  
2009 Forefront Cabernet Sauvignon  
2007 Truchard Merlot  
2006 Starlane Merlot  
2005 Bodega del Desierto Cabernet Franc Argentina  
2007 La Spinetta Langhe Nebbiolo  
2009 Forefront Pinot Noir  
2007 J Pinot Noir  
2007 Truchard Pinot Noir  
2007 J.Christopher Pinot Noir  
2008 WillametteValleyVineyards Estate Pinot Noir  
2004 MarquesdeVargas Rioja Reserva  
2006 Castellani Amarone Colle Cristi  
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