



AGENDA

Thursday, January 16, 2025 - Conference Day 1
COURTYARD BY MARRIOTT – DOWNTOWN DELAND, FL.

Registration - 8:00 am – 12:00 pm in Hotel Lobby (drop wines for Thursday & Friday night here)

8:00 am – 10:00 am - COMMERCIAL CORNER – Breakfast meeting location TBA – Christian Slupe / Sarah Aschliman

8:00 am – 10:00 am “Viticulture Ventures & Enology Essentials” Frank Humphries FAMU – formerly Boot Camp - Marriott meeting Room

10:30 am – 10:45 am - Welcome – J.R. Newbold, President of FWGGA at Venue 1142

10:45- 11:30 – Session I – Dr. Robin Back “The Three-Tier System of Alcoholic Beverage Distribution”

11:30 am – 12:45pm – LUNCH (provided) and Session II - Golden Ticket Presentations

12:45 pm – 1:45 pm - Session III - Scott labs Fruit Wine & Muscadine – Best Fermentation Practices – VIRTUAL

1:45 pm – 2:00 pm - BREAK

2:00 pm – 3:00 pm - Session IV - FDAC/VAC

3:00 pm –3:45 - Session V - Clint Johnson – The Ins & Outs of Developing a New Vineyard Site/Winery, Are you ready to take the plunge?

3:45 pm – 4:30 pm – Session VI – Dr. Robin Back and Dr. Asli Tasci UCF – “An Overview of Academic Research on Winery Hospitality and Tourism in Florida”

4:30 pm - 5:15 pm FWGGA Business Meeting

Election of Officers, Announcements, Recognize past Presidents and Board

5:15 pm – 6:00 pm – BREAK, GET READY

6:00 pm – 9:00 pm – Pirate Themed Dinner and Entertainment – Don't be late! At Venue 142

Prepare for an unforgettable evening with a pirate-themed dinner! Don't forget to dress like a pirate, as there will be surprise entertainment you won't want to miss!

After 9pm - Enjoy downtown DeLand on your own!

Friday, January 17, 2025 - Conference Day 2

7:30 am – 8:30 am – BREAKFAST – (on your own)

7:30 am- 8:00 am – Registration in Hotel Lobby (after that at Venue 42)

8:30 am – 9:30 am – Session VII - Andrew Meggitt Sound Wine Production, avoiding faults and essential analysis

9:30 am – 10:30 am – Session VIII Todd Steiner - Elevating wine quality through enhanced enology extension efforts

10:30 am – 10:45 am– BREAK

10:45 am – 11:45 am - Session IX – University Presentations FAMU and UF

11:45 am –12:45 pm - LUNCH provided and Session X - Golden Tickets presentations – 20 minute each

12:45 pm – 1:00 Break

1:00 pm - 2:00 pm - Session XI - Todd Steiner Ohio State University – Critical issues in wine stabilization, bottling and aging to promote shelf-life stability

2:00 pm – 3:30 pm - Session XII – FRITZ Westover - Grapevine Pruning Techniques: Best Methods and Common Mistakes (VIRTUAL)

3:30 pm – 3:45 pm – BREAK

3:45 pm 4:45 pm - Session XIII - TTB -Formula & Coda submission - VIRTUAL

4:45 pm – 5:00 pm – PRESIDENT'S NOTES and CLOSING COMMENTS

6:00 pm - A special Wine Tasting "Florida Flights" open to the public by tickets spotlighting our Florida wines, etc. With local restaurant. Details to come.

Stay over and enjoy the sights in West Volusia