



**The Michelangelo International Wine Awards  
Rules & Regulations 2009**

1. Completed entry forms (see rule 11), certification documents (see rule 5) and entry fees (see rule 12 ) should reach the organisers on or before Monday, 3 August 2009. Late submissions will be considered by the organiser only if prior arrangements have been made in writing with the competitions director. Please enclose a copy of your certification documents with the wine samples in a separate envelope – NO FAXED ENTRY OR CERTIFICATION FORMS WILL BE ACCEPTED

Entries to be submitted as follows:

- o **on-line: [www.michelangeloawards.com](http://www.michelangeloawards.com) (click on Entries)**

**OR**

- o **entry forms and certification documents delivered by hand with wine samples to our offices at Vrede, R304, Stellenbosch (opposite Klawervlei)**

Proof of payment should be faxed to (039) 314 9914 or e-mailed to [ellene@yebo.co.za](mailto:ellene@yebo.co.za)

2. Samples may be delivered during office hours (Monday to Friday) until 17:00 on Monday, 3 August 2009. Contact: Henrico van Lill on 082 386 4823 or 021-865 2440.

**Please mark all sample boxes clearly as follows:**

Michelangelo International Wine Awards  
C/o Vrede Estate  
R304, Stellenbosch

Should samples not have been received by close of business on 3 August 2009, such entries will be withdrawn unless prior alternative arrangements have been made with the organiser. In case of late delivery, please notify Henrico personally on 082 386 4823 or 021-865 2440 or via e-mail on [henricovanlill@yebo.co.za](mailto:henricovanlill@yebo.co.za) or [lorman@yebo.co.za](mailto:lorman@yebo.co.za)

3. **Samples must have received provisional OR full certification by the Wine and Spirit Board. Copies of the WSR2A or WSR4A forms issued by the WSB must be sealed in a separate envelope and delivered with the wine samples to Vrede Wines. Alternatively they may be mailed to our offices by registered mail on P**

O Box 12444, Die Boord 7613 Stellenbosch to reach us no later than Monday, 3 August 2009.

4. *Barrel or tank samples may be accepted, if accompanied by a lab analysis. Other conditions may apply.*
5. Six bottles of 750ml or 1000ml capacity for each entry must be submitted. Please submit each entry separately boxed and clearly marked on the outside of the box with the class number under which the wine is entered. However, by special request four bottles will be accepted for Garagiste entries.
6. A maximum number of 12 bottles of each wine must be made available at no charge to the organisers, should the wine be awarded a gold or double gold medal or a trophy. These wines will be used for marketing purposes.
7. An additional 12 cases (12 x 750ml) should be made available for purchase by the organisers for marketing purposes at a price no higher than the agent's price. The competition organisers will reserve their right to take up all or part of these reserved wines, which should be kept in stock by the producer until the 30th of November 2009.
8. Entry samples should be labeled with their final labels or alternatively clearly identifiable with sample labels. Entries which cannot be identified, will automatically be disqualified.
9. A copy of the entry form, clearly highlighted for each wine, must accompany the wine samples. Such copies should be attached to the outside of the box.
10. No wine which has previously been awarded a Grand D'or medal and/or a trophy by the Michelangelo International Wine Awards, may be re-entered, except in the Golden Oldies class. Wines which have been awarded Michelangelo gold and silver medals in the past may be re-entered.

#### **ENTRY FORMS:**

11. Entry forms can be obtained electronically via our website ([www.michelangeloawards.com](http://www.michelangeloawards.com)) or are available via e-mail on request from our offices on 021-865 2440 or (039) 314-9913. Only entry forms which are received by e-mail via our website or delivered with samples to Vrede Wines will be accepted. ENTRY FORMS WILL NO LONGER BE ACCEPTED BY FAX. These must be submitted no later than 3 August 2009 in order to qualify for entry into the Michelangelo International Wine Awards 2009. The organisers cannot be held responsible for misplaced forms or for forms not received by this date.

#### **ENTRY FEES:**

**a) The entry fee remains R550,00 (including VAT) for each wine entered.**

**b) Payment should preferably be made electronically or directly into the following account:**

The Michelangelo Wine Co  
Bank: First National Bank  
Account number: 62101207919  
Branch: Stellenbosch  
Branch code: 200 610

Alternatively cheques may be hand-delivered to our offices in a separate envelope, clearly marked for the attention of Lorraine Immelman-Steyn. PLEASE DO NOT INCLUDE CHEQUES OR CASH IN THE WINE SAMPLE CASES. THE ORGANISERS TAKE NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR CASH INCLUDED WITH SAMPLES.

Please add a 1% handling fee (charged by all South African banks) to the amount, should you be depositing your entry fees in cash.

c) Proof of payment should be faxed to (039) 314-9914, marked for attention Ellené, or e-mailed to [ellene@yebo.co.za](mailto:ellene@yebo.co.za). All enquiries regarding payment or invoices should be directed to our bookkeeper, Ellené Barbadimos on [ellene@yebo.co.za](mailto:ellene@yebo.co.za)

d) Payment for entries should be received no later than 3 August 2009.

e) The entry fee is non-refundable and shall only be returned at the organiser's sole discretion. Entries not paid for by 3 August 2009 will automatically be disqualified.

## 12. Judging procedures:

a) Wines will be judged in accordance with the variety or type (the class) to which it belongs.

b) The chairman of each judging panel – or failing him/her the Chairman of Judges will attempt to reach consensus between the panel members as to the score awarded each wine.

c) The OIV 100 point system will be used and medals awarded on the basis of:

- Grand D'Or = 96 or more points
- Gold = 92 - 96 points
- Silver = 86 - 92 points

d) Only the top scoring 30% of total entries in the Michelangelo International Wine Awards will be eligible for medals.

e) **Seven wine trophies** will be awarded which are the following:

- 1) The **Ferroprint Grand Prix Trophy** for the highest scoring entry;
- 2) The **RX South Africa Runner-up Trophy** for the wine awarded just below the score of the Grand Prix winner;
- 3) The **Sue van Wyk Trophy** for the highest scoring Pinotage entered;
- 4) The **Wine Tourism News Trophy** for the highest scoring organic wine entered;
- 5) The **Golden Oldie Trophy**, sponsored by **Stellenbosch Wine Routes** for the highest scoring wine entered in the Golden Oldie category;
- 6) The **Laker & Le Roux Trophy** for the most innovative wine entered in the competition;
- 7) The **Wine of the Month Club Trophy** for the best Garagiste wine entered by small winemakers;

### **BRANDY TROPHY:**

**An eight trophy** is awarded by Spiegelau for the best Brandy entered in the competition. This is South Africa's only award for locally produced brandy and

f) If cork defects or any organo-leptic defects are found in more than two bottles per entry, the said entry will be disqualified.

13. **Bottle medal stickers:**

a) At the award ceremony on 12 September, the official Michelangelo International Wine Awards self-adhesive stickers can be ordered and collection from The Michelangelo Wine Company office at Vrede Wine, R304, Koelenhof, Stellenbosch from Monday, 14 September.

Stickers may be ordered via the website: [www.michelangeloawards.com](http://www.michelangeloawards.com) under the **Labels** button on the home page. Label order forms may also be printed off the website and faxed to the organiser's office on (021) 865 2440 as soon as possible after the results have been announced.

b) Requirements (in strict accordance to the series code numbers of the wine entries) regarding bottle stickers must be indicated on the bottle sticker order form included with the entry form.

c) Once collected, no stickers will be returned for a refund and the named estate/producers will be held responsible for payment of such stickers.

14. **Awards dinner:**

a) The awards banquet will take place on Saturday, 12 September 2009. More details available soon on the website under **Events**.

b) Please note that no cash will be accepted for payment of tickets on the evening of the function.

c) Bookings will only be confirmed once payment via the internet or directly into our account has been received.

As soon as proof of payment has been received, bookings will be confirmed via e-mail or fax – please ensure that your booking has been confirmed as such before your party's arrival at the awards function on 12 September.

15. For further information or any enquiries please contact Lorraine Immelman-Steyn on 082 556 8679 or [lorman@yebo.co.za](mailto:lorman@yebo.co.za), or our Stellenbosch office on 021-865 2440. All account and invoicing enquiries should be directed to Ellené on [ellene@yebo.co.za](mailto:ellene@yebo.co.za).