



## **2018 - Competition Regulations**

### **1. ENTRIES**

- Entries open on Friday 1 June 2018. Delivery of samples may be made only from Monday, 16 July 2018
- Entries and deliveries close on Tuesday 31 July 2018

### **2. ENTRY FEES AND ENTRY PORTAL**

- ZAR995 (excl VAT) / 65 Euro / 80 USD per entry per entry. This applies to Wine, Spirits and Liqueur entries.

All 2018 entries are to be submitted online via the Michelangelo International Wine & Spirits Awards website - <https://michelangeloawards.com/>

Click on "Entry Form" on the website and follow the easy step-by-step entry process.

### **3. ENTRY PROCEDURES**

Complete the online entry process, then send samples for tasting to the address listed below.

Please enclose the following with each wine/spirits/liqueur sample:

- Delivery label to be fixed to each case
  - WSB documents to be electronically uploaded with application
- Samples may be delivered from 16 July, Monday to Friday between 09:00 and 16:30, unless alternative arrangements have been made. For delivery enquiries please contact Dirk Harris on 082 394 3280 or Barry de Vries on 083 225 9000. Please mark all boxes for delivery clearly, using the down-loadable Delivery Label.
  - Delivery address: Michelangelo International Wine & Spirits Awards, Longridge Wine Estate, Eikendal Road (off the R44) Somerset West. Please note all deliveries to be accompanied by delivery label, which will be sent to email address registered on the Michelangelo system.
  - Late delivery of samples: Should samples not have been received by close of business on 31 July 2018, such entries will be withdrawn unless prior alternative arrangements have been made with the organizers.
  - In case of late delivery, please notify Dirk Harris on 082 394 3280 or Barry de Vries on 083 225 9000.
  - Late entries may be submitted with permission until 16:30 on Friday, 3 August. As temporary staff will have to be employed, a surcharge of R150 (excl VAT) will be applicable per line for late deliveries.

#### **4. ENTRY SAMPLE REQUIREMENTS**

Please submit each entry separately boxed and attach the down-loadable Delivery Label to the outside of every box.

The number of bottles required per entry are as follows;

- Wine / MCC / Sparkling Wine entries: Six (6) bottles of 750ml or five (5) bottles of 1000ml
- For Garagiste entries, four (4) 750ml bottles
- For Brandy entries, two (2) 750ml bottles
- For Liqueur and Spirits entries, three (3) bottles
- For Golden Oldies Trophy entries, four (4) 750ml bottles
- For International entries, two (2) 750ml bottles or by arrangement with the organizers

**PLEASE NOTE: APART FROM THE ENTRY STOCK ABOVE, WE DO NOT REQUIRE ANY MINIMUM STOCK OR ADDITIONAL STOCK PER ENTRY.**

Michelangelo plans to host a number of Michelangelo Winners boutique shows and public tastings during the months immediately following the awards and we recommend that you reserve sufficient stock of your entries, should you wish to participate. Excess sample stock will be used at Michelangelo's discretion, and might be presented at some of these wine shows.

Required information to accompany **unlabeled entries or barrel / tank samples**:

- Products entered need not be market ready in order to participate.
- We accept tank or barrel samples, (wine or spirits) as well as bottles with temporary labels in cases where producers are awaiting final front and back labels. Such temporary labels should be clear hand-written or computer generated stickers displaying the following information: Producer/Cellar; Name of Wine/Spirits, where applicable; Varietal or Blend and Vintage.
- All barrel and tank samples should be accompanied by either a WSB2 (WSR2) certificate or an independent laboratory analysis. Other conditions may apply.
- Liqueur and spirits samples should be accompanied by an analysis confirming content and technical information.
- Completed entry forms, certification documents, proof of payment of entry fees and samples should reach the organizers by 16:30 on Tuesday 31 July 2018.
- Late entries may be submitted with permission until 16:30 on Friday, 3 August. As temporary staff will have to be employed, a surcharge of R150 (excl VAT) will be applicable per line for late deliveries. Prior arrangements should be made with Lorraine Immelman, Competition Director, on 082 556 8679 / [lorraine@michelangeloawards.com](mailto:lorraine@michelangeloawards.com)

#### **5. GARAGISTE ENTRIES**

Garagiste entries to comply with the following definitions;

- The winemaker has to be the producer of his/her own wine from raw material to

finished product.

- The winemaker has to fund the production of this wine from raw material to finished product.
- The maximum production acceptable to qualify for a Garagiste winemaker is 9 000 liters/12 000 bottles/225 x 40 barrels TOTAL PRODUCTION
- The winemaker has to be certified as a Garagiste winemaker and registered with SAWIS

## **6. CRAFT DISTILLED ENTRIES**

Craft distilled entries to comply with the following definitions;

Definition of **craft spirit**:

1. A craft spirit is distilled by a craft spirit producer
2. A craft spirit uses only natural products to achieve the end-product's sensory profile.

Definition of a **craft spirit producer**:

A craft spirit producer is a distillery who complies with all the following criteria:

1. Produces end-products containing no more than 100 000 liter absolute alcohol per annum for the distillery.
2. Distils more than 50% of its annual production of absolute alcohol, from self fermented raw material, except in the case of gin production, where re-distillation from neutral spirits will be allowed.
3. Is majority- owned by natural persons
4. A distiller with more than 25% equity in the distillery is in direct control of the fermentations, distilling and final blending/mixing.
5. No process integration computer-based control systems are utilized in the distillery.
6. All process steps in the production of the end-product (i.e. fermentation, distilling, blending/mixing, infusion, bottling and labeling) shall be performed on the same premises of the distillery.

## **7. INTERNATIONAL ENTRIES:**

- Wine/Spirits/Liqueurs produced outside South Africa may be entered in the competition.
- Such wines/spirits/liqueurs should be accompanied by either an independent laboratory analysis or supporting documentation from the country of origin confirming the chemical analysis.
- Where international samples are being sent by courier, each bottle, box and shipment waybill should be clearly marked NOT FOR RESALE. SAMPLES ONLY.
- Customs cost, import duty and cost of transport of entries will be for the account of the entrant. The Michelangelo International Wine & Spirits Awards will not be responsible for any costs related to the entry.

Entrant to arrange for DDP delivery to the warehouse specified on the delivery note.

## **8. JUDGING PROCEDURES**

- Wines and spirits will be judged in accordance with the variety or type (class) to

which it belongs and in which it has been entered.

- The international 100 point scoring system is used.
- Medals will be awarded in accordance with the methodology for distribution of medals, as follows:
  - Platinum
  - Gran d'Or (double gold)
  - Gold
  - Silver

No bronze medals or merit awards are given.

- The top scoring one-third of total entries in the Michelangelo International Wine & Spirits Awards will be eligible for medals, and are calculated according to the judges' final scores. However, where a number of wines qualify for a medal in terms of the medal cut-off point, all wines with that score will be awarded the appropriate medal.
- A number of trophies will also be awarded to class winners. The list of trophies will be published in a separate document on the Michelangelo website. Entrants need to specify for which trophy they want to compete when entering their products into the competition.

All results, as well as the judging process of The Michelangelo International Wine and Spirits Awards are audited. Our appointed auditors are J Vermooten Chartered Accountants (SA) and / or De Jongh Accounting.

## **9. AWARD STICKERS**

- The official Michelangelo International Wine and Spirits Awards self-adhesive stickers can be ordered on-line. Collection details will be supplied upon placement of successful order.
- Once collected or mailed, no stickers will be returned for a refund and the named estate/producers will be held responsible for payment of such stickers.

## **10. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY**

Any reproduction or representation, either total or partial, of the Michelangelo medals, logo, name, or any part whatsoever of the website is strictly forbidden without prior written agreement from the competition organizers. Digital or printed reproduction of medals may not be made without authorization, and the graphic representation may not be modified or adapted in any way whatsoever.

## **11. AWARDS FUNCTION**

- The awards function will take place on Saturday, 29 September at the Tsogo Cape Sun Hotel, 23 Strand Street, Cape Town. Winners will be notified by e-mail prior to the function to allow for priority bookings.
- Bookings forms for the function will be made available on the Michelangelo website.
- Bookings will be confirmed via e-mail - please ensure that your booking has been confirmed, before your party's arrival at the awards function.

For further information or other enquiries please contact:

- Lorraine Immelman on 082 556 8679 / <mailto:lorraine@michelangeloawards.com>
- Dirk Harris on 082 394 3280 / <mailto:dirk@michelangeloawards.com>
- Barry de Vries 083 225 9000 / <mailto:barry@michelangeloawards.com>

Thank you, and good luck with your entries!

The Michelangelo Team.