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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

**54 TEXAS CRAFT BREWERIES MEDAL IN 2ND ANNUAL STATEWIDE BEER COMPETITION**

*Winners of the Texas Craft Brewers Cup Revealed at Brewers Gathering in Austin*

AUSTIN, Texas (February 11, 2023) –The Texas Craft Brewers Guild awarded 81 medals to 54 small and independent breweries from across the Lone Star State in the nonprofit trade association's second annual statewide craft beer competition.

The best Texas craft beers in 27 medal categories covering 150+ different beer styles were awarded gold, silver, and bronze medals during an awards ceremony at the Texas Craft Brewers Guild's Annual Meeting at the Hilton Austin on Saturday, February 11. Judging took place January 27-29 in Austin with 52 judges evaluating 852 anonymized entries from 147 breweries hailing from all different corners of the state. The [Texas Craft Brewers Cup](#) judging pool was composed of experienced brewing industry professionals and members of the homebrewing community with extensive Beer Judge Certification Program (BJCP) judging experience.

"Launching the Texas Craft Brewers Cup last year, as our members were just starting to recover from the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, provided such an amazing opportunity to come together under one roof as a Texas craft beer industry to celebrate our camaraderie and our craft," Texas Craft Brewers Guild Executive Director Caroline Wallace said. "The energy in the awards ceremony is truly electric, and with more than 850 entries here in our second year it has been tremendous to see the competition's growth. Texas brewers are making some incredible, world class beers, and the Texas Craft Brewers Cup is here to showcase them."

The Texas Craft Brewers Guild is also the organization behind the annual [Texas Craft Brewers Festival](#) in Austin, and the [Texas Brewery Passport app](#) which helps beer enthusiasts find and visit Guild member breweries across the state. The Texas Craft Brewers Cup is another event that helps attract new fans and bring longtime beer lovers out to taprooms at a time when small and independent breweries have a lot to gain from the promotion of Texas' highest quality craft beers.

## Texas Craft Brewers Cup Statistics

- 2nd annual competition
- 852 total beers judged
- 150+ beer styles
- 147 competing Texas craft breweries
- 27 medal categories
- 81 total medals awarded
- 54 medal winning breweries
- 2 Brewery of the Year winners (awarded based on cumulative medal points)
- 52 judges
- 24 amazing volunteers
- Each participating brewery could enter up to 8 beers

## Most-Entered Styles Categories

*The winners of the top five most-entered categories were:*

### **Category 11: HAZY IPA (61 entries)**

GOLD: Juice Serum – Rollertown Beerworks (Celina)

SILVER: Leaf Pepper – Hold Out Brewing Company (Austin)

BRONZE: Heavenly Daze – Zilker Brewing Company (Austin)

### **Category 5: SESSION AND STANDARD GERMAN & CZECH LAGERS (59 entries)**

GOLD: Freudian Slip n Slide – Roadmap Brewing Co. (San Antonio)

SILVER: Lettie – Dorćol Distilling and Brewing (San Antonio)

BRONZE: Das Boots with the Fur – Buckstin Brewing Company (Nederland)

### **Category 10: AMERICAN IPA (54 entries)**

GOLD: Secret Beach – Meanwhile Brewing Company (Austin)

SILVER: Cold Night for Alligators – Oddwood Brewing (Austin)

BRONZE: 40 Days & 40 Nights – Lazarus Brewing Company (Austin)

### **Category 1: PILSNER (50 entries)**

GOLD: Industry – Austin Beer Garden Brewing Co. (Austin)

SILVER: Pilz – Live Oak Brewing Company (Austin)

BRONZE: Hans' Pils – Real Ale Brewing Company (Blanco)

**Category 2: AMERICAN & INTERNATIONAL LAGER/LIGHT LAGER (41 entries)**

GOLD: LA Beer – Zilker Brewing Company (Austin)

SILVER: 500 Pesos – ODD Muse Brewing (Farmer's Branch)

BRONZE: Polymath – Celestial Beerworks (Dallas)

## **Brewery of the Year Awards**

*Based on cumulative medal points (3 points for Gold, 2 points for Silver, 1 point for Bronze) across the competition.*

Under 600 bbl Group

**Vector Brewing (Dallas)**

600+ bbl Group

**True Anomaly Brewing (Houston)**

Please visit [Texascraftbrewersguild.org/cup](https://texascraftbrewersguild.org/cup) for the full list of winning beers across all 27 medal categories. Photos for media use are available in the [Texas Craft Brewers Cup 2023 Media Kit](#).

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### **ABOUT THE TEXAS CRAFT BREWERS GUILD:**

As a member-driven organization, the Texas Craft Brewers Guild fights for the advancement of independent beer brewed in the Lone Star state. Together, we promote, propel, and protect our collective interests while enlisting our fellow Texans to raise a glass and join us. The Guild's Board of Directors hail from craft breweries in all the major metropolitan regions of the state, as well as different brewery types and sizes to represent the Guild's over 300 brewery members throughout the state, including operating breweries, as well as those that are in the advanced planning stages. The Guild also welcomes allied trade and retail members who support the craft brewing industry. To learn more about the Texas Craft Brewers Guild visit [texascraftbrewersguild.org](https://texascraftbrewersguild.org).