

DATE: August 13, 2024 SUBJECT: MWC Partners with Certified American Grown for Field to Vase Dinner The Michigan Wine Collaborative (MWC) is thrilled to announce a second partnership with Certified American Grown for the 2024 Field to Vase Dinner at Creekside Growers in Middleville, Michigan.



Nestled in the picturesque landscapes of Creekside Growers, this Field to Vase Dinner promises to be an unforgettable evening celebrating the artistry of local wine paired with the beauty of locally grown flowers, the bounty of Michigan's agriculture, and the culinary delights that highlight the best of local produce. Guests will dine amidst the blooming fields, enjoying a farm-to-table meal that showcases the freshest seasonal ingredients.

Michigan Wine Collaborative member wineries <u>Domaine Berrien</u>, <u>Modales</u>, and <u>MAWBY</u> will be providing the wines for the dinner. prepared by Chef Christine Ferris of <u>Farmhouse Deli</u> in Douglas, Michigan. Guests will delight in a curated menu that emphasizes local and sustainable ingredients, and of course expertly paired with local wines. The featured wines are produced with 100% Michigan fruit grown in Southwest Michigan by Domaine Berrien in the Lake Michigan Shore AVA and Modales from the Fennville AVA along with MAWBY representing the Leelanau Peninsula AVA.

Rhiannon Bosse of <u>Rhiannon Bosse Celebrations</u>, a renowned event designer from Rockford, Michigan, will bring her signature style and creativity to the event. Known for her exquisite floral designs and impeccable attention to detail, Rhiannon will transform the dining space into a stunning visual experience, capturing the essence of the season and the charm of Creekside Growers.

"We are excited to bring together such a talented team for this special Field to Vase Dinner," said Camron King, CEO & Ambassador of Certified American Grown. "This event is a celebration of our commitment to supporting local growers, artisans, and the American Grown movement. It's a chance for guests to experience the beauty and flavors of Michigan in a truly unique and memorable way."

"Certified American Grown and their Field to Vase partners were a dream to partner with in 2022 and we at MWC are thrilled to continue the partnership in 2024 with an even more outstanding dining experience." Said Emily Dockery, Executive Director of the Michigan Wine Collaborative. "This dinner is a superb opportunity for Michigan agriculture to collaborate and celebrate the fruits...along with flowers, vegetables, culinary fare, etc...of our labor in the mitten state. The



commitment to local products and businesses featured in this event is paramount to its success and aligns so closely with how MWC is committed to local Michigan grapes and wine, and all the industries so closely tied to ours."

Tickets for the Field to Vase Dinner at Creekside Growers are limited and expected to sell out quickly. Don't miss your chance to be part of this extraordinary event. For more information and to purchase tickets, please visit the Eventbrite page.

About Certified American Grown. Certified American Grown is a diverse community of cut flower and foliage farmers from across the United States. As the voice for domestic farms, CAG works towards sustainability and prosperity through a unified voice, effective advocacy, and strategic promotion. Certified American Grown flower and foliage farms participate in an independent, third-party supply-chain audit to verify both origin and assembly of the flowers and foliage grown. When it appears on bouquets, bunches, packaging or signage, the iconic brand mark instills consumer confidence in place of origin. For more information about Certified American Grown, visit americangrownflowers.org.

The <u>Michigan Wine Collaborative</u> is the voice of the Michigan wine industry. Our mission is to enhance the sustainability and profitability of the Michigan wine industry by supporting wineries, growers and other businesses and individuals connected to the industry – today and for future generations.

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