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SMILE WHEN YOU SAY 'OREGON CHEESE'

Molalla's Goldin Artisan Takes 1st Place at Prestigious San Francisco Food Awards

Oregon City, Ore. – The second annual Good Food Awards recognized 99 tasty, authentic and responsible craft food products from 26 states in an awards ceremony earlier this month at the San Francisco Ferry Building. The crafters, their food communities, judges and media attended the standing room only, 400-person gathering. The evening was a celebration of regional diversity and momentum, energy and collaboration surrounding a maturing artisan food movement. American food producers were honored for enhancing the country’s agricultural landscape by strengthening their own local food communities, and creating food and drink that epitomize American craftsmanship.

Carine Goldin of Goldin Artisan Cheese on the Molalla Farm Loop said, "I am so excited that the cheese was recognized on the Huffington Post, and what a pleasure to see so many "food artisans" that are from the Northwest in all categories." Nearly 1000 entrants pledged to the Good Food Awards criteria this year. Oregon walked away with winners in nearly every category. Those bringing home culinary honors are:

Beer:
Hopworks Urban Brewery, Abominable Winter Ale & Hopworks IPA, Oregon

Charcuterie
Gary West Smoked Meats, Elk Strips, Oregon
Olympic Provisions, Chorizo Navarre, Oregon
Tails and Trotters Charcuterie, Liver Pate & Pork Pastrami, Oregon

Cheese
Goldin Artisan Goat Cheese, Certoux, Oregon
Rivers Edge Chevre, Sunset Bay & Valsetz, Oregon

Chocolate
Lillie Belle Farms, Perfect Illusion 65, Oregon

The second annual Good Food Awards offered a platform for producers to take their craft to the next level, providing real business benefits and a network of like-minded peers in the form of the Good Food Guild. For many, the recognition of their craft and philosophy is long overdue. The movement is growing as retailers and the industry recognize and support the Good Food Award winners.

KEY LINKS
Molalla Farm Loop: www.MolallaFarmLoop.com
Good food Awards website: www.goodfoodawards.org

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