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Graduate Students Win Honours at American Society of Enology and Viticulture- Eastern Section (ASEV-ES) Conference

Three of our grape and wine studies graduate students took top honours at the recent American Society of Enology and Viticulture- Eastern Section (ASEV-ES) Conference held July 9th to the 12th in Rochester, New York.

Stephanie Martin, PhD candidate specializing in Icewine fermentation under the supervision of Dr Inglis won the award for best student paper in oenology. Eleven graduate students presented papers based on their research in either oenology or viticulture. Stephanie's paper focused on some of the results of her thesis project "Yeast Osmoadaptive Response during Icewine Fermentation". "We are very pleased by the top place showing of our graduate students at the conference this year," stated Dr. Lesschaeve, Director of CCOVI. She continued, "Stephanie's winning paper is a testament to her hard work and dedication."

Jim Willwerth, Masters candidate and Amy Bowen, PhD candidate, both under the supervision of Dr. Andy Reynolds both received \$1000 US scholarships. The award also included all conference fees and accommodations.

"I recommend Jim Willwerth without the slightest reservation for the 2006 ASEV/ES scholarship", said Reynolds. "The most difficult task for me is toning down my enthusiasm for this student..." In the case of Amy Bowen, Reynolds mentions that "Amy has been the recipient of the ASEV/ES scholarship in 2004 and 2005, and her various performance indicators suggest to me that she continues to be a deserving applicant of the first rank."

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