



Brock University's Cool Climate Oenology and Viticulture Institute (CCOVI) is pleased to announce the 13th installment of the Triggs International Premium Vinifera Lecture Series. Celebrating more than 20 years of Triggs, the lecture series brings a leading international viticultural speaker to provide their expertise through vineyard visits and a public lecture on key issues relating to premium vinifera grape production.



BASF is proud to
sponsor this national
lecture series.



2026 Featured Speaker:

Fritz Westover, PhD

Viticulturist, Westover Vineyard Advising,
Houston, Texas

BC Okanagan Topic:

Improving nutrient strategies for consistency, uniformity, and quality in Vitis Vinifera vineyards

We're going to discuss nutrition based on the age of the vine. We'll look at 3 vineyard sites: young (1-3 yrs old), developed (4-5 yrs) and mature (10+ yrs) to address best practices suited for each.

Join us for two days of collaborative learning.

Details, including speaker's biography and more, will be posted to brocku.ca/ccovi/ (Outreach).

All sessions are free, transportation is not included. RSVP is required for each day.

August 11 – Vineyard Day & Lunch

August 12 – Public Lecture

Registration Deadline: August 4 (noon) or until full.

Okanagan Schedule:

Tuesday August 11 – VINEYARD VISITS / TECHNICAL WORKSHOP

Site 1: Talus Ridge Vineyard

Address: 1850 Talus Ridge Dr. West Kelowna

Time: 9:30 am | Topic: Vine establishment and nutritional needs. Vine training/pruning concepts for vine longevity.

Site 2: Quails' Gate Vineyard

Address: 3303 Boucherie Rd, West Kelowna

Time: 11 am | Topic: Developed vines maintenance fertilization strategies and growth objectives.

Lunch hosted at Quails' Gate Winery–

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Site 3: Quails' Gate Vineyard

Time: 1:30 pm | Topic: Mature vine maintenance; minimal fertilization strategies. Alternatives to synthetic fertilizers; adjusting strategies for block, variety, yield goals and wine quality.

Wednesday August 12 / Time: 3 pm PUBLIC LECTURE

Location: Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada
4200 Hwy 97, Summerland

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