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Adelsheim Vineyard to Release Winemaker, Gina Hennen's, First Fully Overseen Vintage of Single Vineyard Pinot Noirs and Chardonnay.



NEWBERG, Ore. (February 10, 2021): The 2018 vintage is an important milestone for Adelsheim. The wines from this vintage are the first fully overseen by Winemaker, Gina Hennen. Beginning in March 2021, the first single-vineyard wines from this vintage will be released to the public. Gina was promoted to Winemaker in January, 2018 and is only the fourth person in that role since Adelsheim began commercial production in 1978. Before advancing to this position, Gina spent 11 years as Assistant Winemaker, then Associate Winemaker during the tenure of her predecessor, Dave Paige. The 2018 wines potentially represent the first major shift in winemaking

philosophy at Adelsheim since 2001, when Dave Paige was hired. Gina is one of many women at the helm at Adelsheim, alongside Vineyard Manager, Kelli Gregory and winery owner, Lynn Locker.

Founder, David Adelsheim comments on this transition: “The wines that Gina is producing, starting in 2018, seem, to me, to be moving toward more elegance with rounder and less dominant tannins. She also is picking earlier and, I believe, more accurately, which will help to better differentiate the single vineyard wines and keep them fresher and more in keeping with the Willamette Valley’s heritage as a cool-climate growing region.”

When asked what changes she envisions bringing to the wines, Gina says, “My primary goal is always to share the excellence of our vineyard sites thoughtfully and with a delicate hand. Elegance and subtlety are our tenants, and everything else flows from that apex.” She also adds that this vintage “really is a labor of love.”

New 2018 single vineyard wines will be released throughout the year. All current wines from Adelsheim's 2018 vintage and beyond can be found for purchase at www.adelsheim.com and at select retail partners.

About Gina Hennen:

After spending several years as a semiconductor engineer in Oregon and Dublin, Ireland, Winemaker Gina Hennen returned to the Pacific Northwest in 2006 in pursuit of a career without cubicles. She found it upon her return to Oregon where she snagged a harvest job and enrolled in winemaking classes. Nearly 12 years later, she hasn't looked back, and serves as winemaker for Adelsheim Vineyard.

Gina spent 11 years honing her craft with Adelsheim as part of the winemaking team before taking the lead as head winemaker. Known for her ability to execute and armed with the knowledge that everything the winemaking team does touches every aspect of Adelsheim, she focuses on setting a high bar, yet still enjoying the winemaking process, revelling in the fact that every wine produced is unique and will never be replicated.

Gina serves on the board of IPNC, and is a member of both the Oregon Wine Board's Education committee and Research committee.

About Adelsheim Vineyard:

Adelsheim, located in Newberg, Ore., was founded with an optimistic spirit and a lofty dream: to create world-class Pinot noir and Chardonnay in an undiscovered wine region, the Chehalem Mountains. Since 1971, we have obsessively pursued exceptional wines of place, that celebrate the unique bounty of our estate vineyards. As a founding winery of the Willamette Valley and Chehalem Mountains' first winery, Adelsheim has played an instrumental role in nearly every aspect of the Oregon wine story. As leaders, we believe it is our duty to be steadfast stewards of this abundant land and to rally our community in support of equity and education. Adelsheim is a LIVE certified sustainable winery, and a seven-time Wine & Spirits Top 100 Winery. For more information, visit www.adelsheim.com and follow @adelsheim.

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