

About the Jam...

When: June 23-25, 2009

Where: Bank Street Annex, Easton, PA

The Mid-Atlantic/Northeast Barista Jam is gearing up for its third year. The largest BGA sanctioned barista jam hosted over seventy baristas from all over the country. Past presenters include 2007 WBC Champion James Hoffmann, Jon Lewis, Ellie Matuszak, Rob Stephen, Chris DeFerio, Jay Caragay, Erin Meister, Nick Cho, Daryn Berlin, Peter Giuliano, Jaime Schoenhut and others.

Already scheduled for this year are Mark Inman, Rob Stephen, Ellie Matuszak, Jaime Schoenhut, Rik Kleinfeldt. Our featured guest and presenter this year is Oswaldo Acevedo, owner of Finca El Roble in Mesa de los Santos, Colombia. Oswaldo is one of the most forward-thinking coffee farmers in the world, seamlessly weaving sustainable practices with developing outstanding coffees.

The theme of this year's jam is Full Circle- connecting the coffee farmer to the barista, and exploring how that relationship can enhance the experience of both. Below is a listing of events, we hope that you will join us!

Tuesday, June 23

*Keynote by **Mark Inman** of Taylor Maid Farms

*Alternative Brewing Techniques- Chemex, Aeropress, French Press, handmade Pourover station...it's the barista play station!

*Sustainable Development of Excellent Coffee Roundtable with **Mark Inman**, **Oswaldo Acevedo** of Finca El Roble, **Rob Stephen** of Coffee Solutions, **Jaime Schoenhut** of Royal Coffee NY and **Rik Kleinfeldt** of New Harvest Coffee Roasters.

*Spro Down- Barista against Barista. Two shots at the perfect shot.....sponsored by **Barismo**. Proceeds to benefit Grounds for Health.

Wednesday, June 24

*Q Grading by **Rob Stephen** of Coffee Solutions

*Espresso Extraction with **Ellie Matuszak** of Coffee Solutions- 2 sessions. Each instructional lab followed by hands on practical session and open jam.

*Latte Art and Milk Frothing- 2 sessions. Each instructional lab followed by hands on practical session and open jam.

*Barista Party with Latte Art Throwdown- Proceeds to benefit Grounds for Health.

Thursday, June 25

*Cupping for All- With all the great roasters in the room we will have some AMAZING coffee to taste and discuss.

*Barista Competition Primer- Get a leg up with some advice from past USBC competitors and champions.

For more information on attending or sponsoring please contact us!

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