



## **Discover Wines' Owners awarded finalist for Ernst & Young Entrepreneur Of The Year® 2007**

**It seems befitting to announce this recognition during Small Business Week**

Canada's most prestigious business awards program is now in its 14th year. The program considers nominees in a number of business categories before selecting finalists. Among finalists for Entrepreneur of the Year 2007, Pacific region are: Tracy Gray and Suzanne Mick of Discover Wines Ltd.

Tracy Gray and Suzanne Mick were each presented with a trophy at a formal ceremony that took place in Vancouver at the Vancouver Trade and Convention Centre Tuesday October 9, 2007. They brought with them to the celebration members of their team and valued supporters.

"As the global economy becomes more and more integrated and competitive, our region's entrepreneurs are showing that they have what it takes to go head to head with their peers on the world stage. It is inspiring to see just how much entrepreneurial ingenuity there is right here in our own backyard, and how much it enriches the life of Pacific Canada. From the jobs and wealth they generate to their contributions in the local and wider communities, entrepreneurs are a vital part of the fabric of our society."

Fred Withers, Managing Partner, Ernst & Young, British Columbia

"It is a huge honour to have received the recognition of finalist, as this competition is strong. The finalists and awards are generally for sizeable companies and it makes us proud to bring this award back to Kelowna for our local small business." say business partners Tracy Gray and Suzanne Mick. "We have some huge challenges ahead as the BC wine industry undergoes many changes to wine regulations. We are working hard for our business to remain strong and for consumers to have access to the products they desire. We trust with the Olympics coming that governing bodies will make decisions in the best interest of the whole industry and the consumer. We believe in the self sustainability of the BC wine industry and in its pivotal role supporting local farms and businesses."

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