

Cans Are Coming... Brink – Alexandria – Rebel Mettle – Wooden Cask – Sam Adams Taproom – This is gonna be great!

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The news of the upcoming cans from Brink have got quite a few of you pretty excited – and rightfully so. This is still a great time to be a fan of Cincinnati beer, Covid be damned. The release of new cans from any brewery is always fun, but after the year that we had in 2020? Maybe now it feels even better. There are several places around Cincinnati that are getting ready to release their first canned beers that I can only assume you'll be as excited as I am to hear about.

Keep in mind with posts like this... I'm going to show you some label art that may not be the final version. Some of these releases *may* not happen, and there is certainly going to be some stuff that I don't have that *will* happen. The point of this post isn't to be comprehensive, but to get your heart beating a little faster in excitement for what may be coming.

Brink

This one got social media buzzing pretty heartily as the new artwork was casually dropped by Brink's owner, Andy McCleese. I guess the 'ol curmudgeon himself actually knows a thing or two about getting people excited for beer in this city. When he was on <u>Cincy Brewcast back in July</u> we talked about their growth plans for this year, and cans were definitely a part of that talk. Here are the releases they have coming.





Wooden Cask

Wooden Cask is finally giving in and canning their beer. They were (are) one of the long holdouts here in town of the bottle format, for a few different reasons... but are jumping into things this year. Their growing contract side of their business is a big factor in the choice, and that plays into some of the local stuff that we're going to talk about in just a minute, too. While the bigger, barrel-aged beers that you've fallen in love with at Wooden Cask will still be bottled, my understanding is that all that nice, comforting, easy-drinking core beer that you love will be canned.



Alexandria Brewing Company

I have a deep, deep love for these guys. Andy Reynolds is knocking out some incredible traditional focused beers that I know a lot of folks further North would absolutely go nuts for if they got their hands on it. 2021 is the year that we might just see that happen for them too. Utilizing that contract brewing from Wooden Cask that I talked about a minute ago – they have plans to start putting out a lot more beer this year than they've been able to on their small brewhouse. Those cans will most certainly find a nice chilly home in my fridge, and I am sure a lot of yours, too.



Rebel Mettle

Rebel Mettle has started to make a name for themselves, especially amongst folks that were looking for a great, low-key taproom that they could call their own. The brewery opened their doors in 2020, though, in the middle of the chaos of Covid, and knew from day one that they needed to find ways for folks to take their beer home. That means not just crowlers... but packaged cans, too. Keep your eyes peeled, you'll start seeing these happening in the very near future!



Sam Adams

This is a really fun one. I know... you're saying some smart-ass comment about how Sam Adams already has cans... but you're missing the obvious. I'm talking about the taproom. Small batch stuff made right here in Cincy, *for* Cincy. I'm talking about 12oz cans of 513, Cincinnati Lager, This Is the Year – all the stuff that you've fallen in love with (and plenty more) coming out of a canning line that they're "putting in" to the taproom. I don't actually know how they're fitting one in... or where they're going to do that in their small taproom... but it's happening!





Five Stories (Northern Row) Launches Their Spirits

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First, it took Northern Row a long time to get their taproom up and running... it was a journey to say the least! But they did... and then with the whirlwind of chaos that came with 2020, their spirits line had to be put on the back burner as they launched 'Project Hand Sanitizer'. Finally, though... it's time. The distillery side of Northern Row, which is called Five Stories (look at the building... it's five... well... if you don't get it I'm sorry) is ready to launch their spirits.

You'll be able to start getting bottles of their Vodka, Botanical Gin, and White Rum starting this Friday (January 15th) in their taproom – and before you know it at all your favorite liquor stores.

Rebel Mettle Winter Taste of Cincinnati Features





Come by and check out our Taste of Cincinnati Specials!

All-day, every Wednesday we will have Happy Hour priced beers and seltzers! Come in and grab a beer! All merch is 10% off as well (taproom only). *Through March 31st, 2021*



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Spring is Coming!

The power of positive thinking and a darn good bock beer are all you need to BELIEVE! **Wiedemann's Flying Deutschmann Bock** is back on tap, and soon to be in cans. It's a Bavarian-style dark lager featuring a healthy dose of caramel malt that gives it a deep color and creamy texture. And, in case you're wondering, the name "Flying Deutschmann" was inspired by retired fireman Jim Deutsch, a true friend of Wiedemann who built piece-by-piece the spectacular bar in our taproom! Stop in and check it out! That - and the beer - are craftsmanship at its finest!



2021 is Lookin' Crisp & Sip in the Clouds...



In 2020, we had a lot of fun experimenting with unexpected flavor combinations for our new Cidergeist releases (including tweaking the recipe of an old favorite), and we decided to double the fun with a can redesign! Showcasing seasonally focused recipes from winter-inspired warming blends to bright springtime sippers, these tasty ciders deliver flavor to fit any mood or occasion. Stay tuned for releases throughout the year, starting with **Zappy** (5% ABV).

Formerly Semi Dry Cider, Zappy is a lively, crisp take on a traditionally fermented hard cider. Simple, refreshing and touched with sweetness, Zappy is a nod to fans of classic hard cider and those searching for a reliable, no-frills beer alternative alike. Zappy is available in the taproom or online for curbside pickup.

Cloud Harvest #4 Tamarama (6.5%) marks the fourth entry into our Cloud Harvest series, a rotating roster of Unfiltered Juicy IPAs. Taking its name from a stunning Australian surf hotspot, Tamarama rides a gnarly wave of juicy hop flavor. Sabro, Galaxy, Cascade and Vic Secret hops bring intense stone fruit, citrus, and coconut notes for an enticing profile sporting a sense of tropical adventure. To get the full scoop on our latest release in the Cloud Harvest series visit Rhinegeist.com