

# Streetside, Brink, Wandering Monsters win GABF 2024 medals

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Cincinnati is bringing home more hardware, as [Streetside](#), [Brink](#), and [Wandering Monsters](#) all picked up GABF 2024 medals.

Great American Beer Festival takes place in Denver annually, and breweries from the Queen City are no stranger to winning at the event.

Streetside Brewery, located in Columbia Tusculum, won a gold medal in the English-style Brown Ale category for Black Cats. It's the first GABF medal for Streetside, but not the first medal for Black Cats. The same beer also won a silver medal at the World Beer Cup in 2023 and a silver medal at the US Open Beer Championship earlier this year. It also won a gold medal at the Ohio Craft Brewer's Cup last year. It's now one of the few beers that has medaled at all three major craft beer competitions.

Brink Brewing Co, located in College Hill, continues their amazing streak of winning at GABF every year, as they took home a bronze medal in the Sweet Stout or Cream Stout category for Moozie. Moozie is one of the most awarded beers in Cincinnati, as this is the fifth GABF medal for that beer alone. It's also won a World Beer Cup medal and multiple US Open medals. Brink now has 11 GABF medals and won the Very Small Brewery of the Year in back-to-back years in 2018 and 2019.

Wandering Monsters Brewing has been open for just over a year in Anderson, but they're already putting their name on the map with a GABF medal after winning four at the US Open earlier this year. They won a bronze medal for Triple Chocolate Viator Obscura in the Chocolate Beer category. It's the first GABF medal for brewer Zach Boehnke.

Ohio won a total of seven GABF medals, including two gold. The full list of Ohio brewery medal winners:

- Noble Beast Brewing (Cleveland)
  - Eau Rouge — Belgian-style Sour Ale — Gold medal
- Streetside Brewery (Cincinnati)
  - Black Cats — English-style Brown Ale — Gold medal
- The Brew Brothers (Columbus)
  - Toasty — English Mild or Bitter — Bronze medal
- Brink Brewing (Cincinnati)
  - Moozie — Sweet Stout or Cream Stout — Bronze medal
- Masthead Brewing (Cleveland)
  - IPA for Aliens — West Coast-style India Pale Ale — Bronze medal
- Three Tigers Brewing (Granville)
  - Brother Sam — Oatmeal Stout — Bronze medal
- Wandering Monsters Brewing (Cincinnati)
  - Triple Chocolate Viator Obscura — Chocolate Beer — Bronze medal

You can view the full list of 2024 GABF winners [2024 Winners - Great American Beer Festival](#).





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## New OTR brewery offering Blink-themed sneak peek before formal opening next month



Mellotone Beer Project is located at 1429 Race St. Photo by 3CDC

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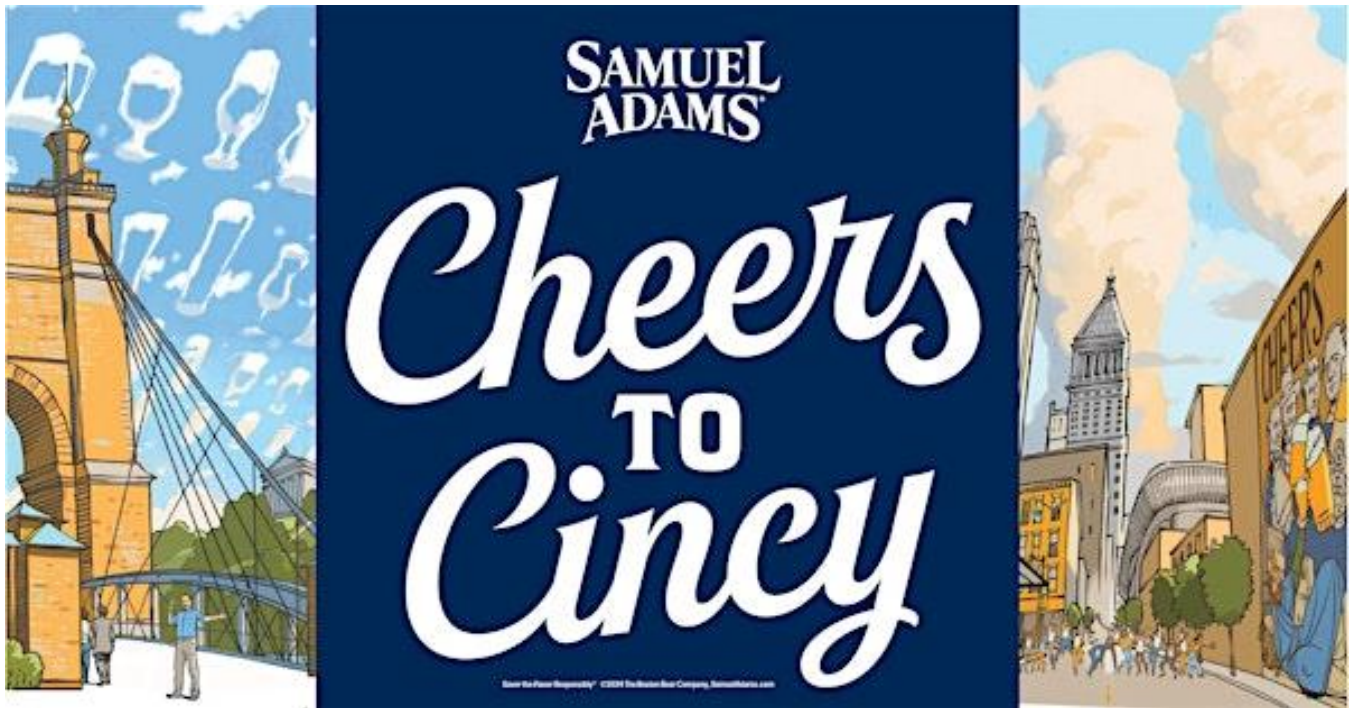
### STORY HIGHLIGHTS

- Mellotone Beer Project will preview its new space during Blink.
- It will host the "Arcade of Light" installation, which features interactive art and games.
- Mellotone replaces Taft's Ale House at 1429 Race St.

A new brewery slated for Over-the-Rhine is offering a preview to patrons during the city's [biennial Blink light festival](#), which is expected to attract record crowds in 2024. Mellotone Beer Project, a concept founded by Dennis Kramer-Wine, formerly of Rhinegeist Brewery, and Alexandra Nowell, the first brewmaster to helm Los Angeles-based Three Weavers, is opening its doors to the public for the first time Thursday, Oct. 17, for a sneak peek of the space and in celebration of [Blink, a massive display of art and light that spans the region's urban core](#). Mellotone will host "Arcade of Light," an interactive art installation by Cincinnati-based Kemper Sauce Studios throughout the duration of the show, scheduled for Oct. 17-20. The *Courier* first announced plans for the brewery in August. Mellotone replaces [Taft's Ale House, which shuttered in November 2023](#) after an eight-year run. The 12,345-square-foot, three-story space, a former condemned church building at 1429 Race St., is owned by Cincinnati Center City Development Corp. (3CDC). "Blink is such a distinctive Cincinnati event, we couldn't pass up the opportunity to be part of it," Nowell said in a media release. "This is a chance for everyone to stop by, check out our new space before it 'officially' opens and enjoy a few drinks while they venture through the neighborhood." Once fully operational, Mellotone will serve up two concepts under one roof: The lower level of the space will house a neighborhood bar called Undertone. It will feature midcentury modern design elements along with a small stage for live music. The main floor will house Mellotone's restaurant, highlighted by modern American fare, and the mezzanine will be transformed into an indoor beer garden with communal seating. "Arcade of Light" has appeared during previous Blink festivals. It features a blend of gaming, art and engineering. Each piece was created to be both fun and approachable, with an exaggerated scale. The installation is designed to include three different retro-style games which utilize LED light panels. Kemper Sauce Studio's "Arcade of Light" was featured at Washington Park during Blink in 2019. Blink 2024 will include more than 80 light projections, light-based installations, murals, activations, live music and performances spanning 30 blocks from Over-the-Rhine to Northern Kentucky. In 2022, the event drew more than 2 million people from 29 states, [resulting in \\$126 million in direct economic impact for the region](#).

"The historic church that houses Mellotone is such an iconic OTR space," Lindzie Gunnels, commercial leasing director with 3CDC, said in the release. "It's the perfect spot to host Arcade of Light, and Blink is the ideal opportunity to introduce the neighborhood to this creative new brewery." Mellotone will open from 6 p.m. to midnight during Blink.

Following the festival, Mellotone will close its doors to complete its final renovations. The brewery hopes to celebrate its grand opening in mid-November.



**BLINK at Sam Adams Taproom: Cheers to Cincy**  
**1727 Logan Street Cincinnati, OH 45202**

In collaboration with ArtWorks and in celebration of BLINK, our Cincinnati Taproom is releasing a new brew! "Cheers to Cincy" is a German Pilsner and each sip connects you to the long, proud tradition of brewing that has been part of Cincinnati for generations. Let the art, history, and flavors of the city transport you into the heart of what makes Cincinnati truly unique. BLINK will be held from October 17th- 20th and in celebration of the beer release, the taproom will have live music on Friday & Saturday!

Friday 10/18: Live music 6:30-9:30 with The In turns

Saturday 10/19: Live music 6:30-9:30 with Grey Days

## Stop By March First on Fountain Square

The poster features a dark background with vibrant purple and blue neon light streaks radiating from the center. In the top left corner is the March First Brewing logo, which consists of a white banner with a purple 'M' and the text 'March First BREWING' below it. The word 'BLINK' is written in large, bold, white capital letters in the center. Below it, the dates 'Oct. 17 to 20' are written in a bright pink font. At the bottom, the text 'Drink Specials All Weekend!' and 'Glow Accessories While supplies last' is written in white.



**Barleycorn's**



**Before you Blink, stop by Barleycorn's for a drink or some of our famous Doc Style Wings!**



**Show your server a photo from your Blink experience to enjoy \$1 off apps\* or \$3 pints at any Barleycorn's location, including the Brewhouse.**

\*Excludes wings, dine in only,  
Thurs 10/17 - Sun 10/20.

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# Wandering Monsters Halloween Party



Join us Saturday, October 19th for our Wandering Monsters Halloween Party! There will be a bounce house (all weekend long), face painter (Saturday afternoon) and special Trick or Treat beers! Come in costume to receive a WM scratch off and see what you could win!

Fun for all ages!

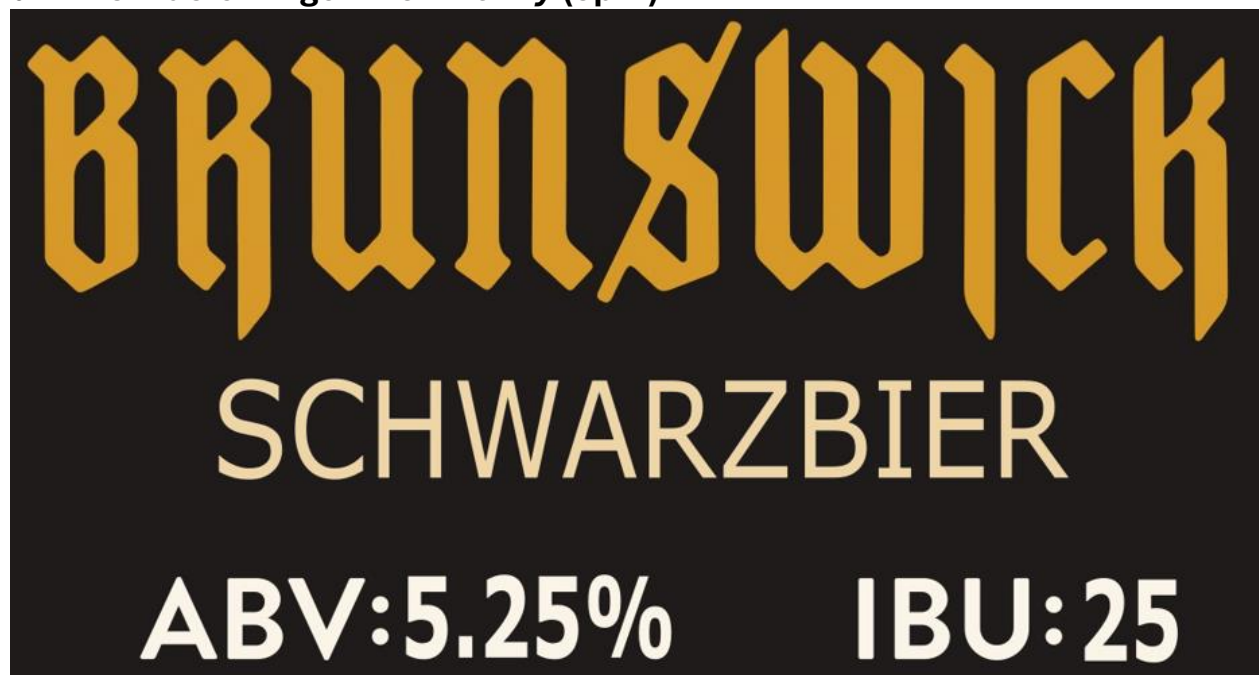
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### 7th Anniversary Celebration Weekend

- **Saturday Oct 19th:**
  - Special Anniversary Beer Releases
  - Food specials by the Incline Smoke Shack
  - Zumba Class (11am) - Sign-up at the 13 Below Brewery Website
  - Live Music: *Ethan Hopper* (7pm)
- **Sunday Oct 20<sup>th</sup>:**
  - Special Anniversary Beer Releases
  - Food specials by the Incline Smoke Shack
  - Beer Can Succulent Planting Class (1-3pm) - Sign-up at the 13 Below Brewery Website
  - Live Music Bingo: *Drew Lowry* (5pm)



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New Beers Alert! We've got two highly requested beers being released this week for the fall season!

First we have [Oatmeal Stout](#); a year-round draft beer that is being released in cans upon popular request! It's a smooth, easy drinker with oats and dark malts delivering rich coffee and dark chocolate flavors.

Second is [Defroster](#), a winter spiced ale that'll warm you up with seasonal spices like cinnamon, ginger, and nutmeg. Make sure to stop into the taproom starting this Tuesday to grab yours on-draft and in six packs!



Ralph Cave III and Missy Cave

**Fundraiser @ Fretboard Brewing Company, in Blues Ash, Ohio 8pm -11pm**

“Don't Miss This Show!!” Ralph and The Rhythm Hounds band will be performing their up-tempo modern funky blues rock at **Fretboard Brewing, Blue Ash, Ohio on Friday October 25, 2024**. Bring your dancing shoes to move your body, and shake your hips, eat great food, drink fantastic award-winning craft beers and party to the music!!! This event will be a Fretboard Brewing Company sponsored FUNDRAISER for Ralph Cave III and his wife Missy Cave who were injured in a motorcycle accident on September 1, 2024.

There will be split the pot raffles sponsored by the TENDERLE FOUNDATION 501(c)(3)