



Elderwerks has partnered with the International House of Wine and Cheese and forwinelovers.com

Virtual Wine Tasting Night!

Please join us VIRTUALLY August 20th 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm

<u>REGISTER HERE</u>

#### How does the virtual tasting work?

\$100 (Regular price would be \$125) for three bottles of wine. You can pick up the wine for free at the Elderwerks Center or at the International House of Wine or the wine can be shipped for a flat \$25 fee via FedEx to your home or office.

- Paul Mas Arrogant Frog 'Lily Pad White' Chardonnay 2018
- Piedra Negra Malbec Reserve 2016
- Buck Shack Bourbon Barrel Cabernet Sauvignon 2018

Once registered, we will send you a Zoom link for the tasting. We will also have plenty of time for a question and answer period.



Moderator: Tom Jiaras from International House of Wine & Cheese



Jason Blanford Regional Sales Director Volio Vino Imports

Wine we will be tasting with Jason ~ Paul Mas Arrogant Frog 'Lily Pad White' Chardonnay 2018 from France



Rebecca Powelson Senior Vice President for Atlas Imports

Wine we will be tasting with Rebecca ~ Piedra Negra Malbec Reserve 2016



Angie Bigham Shannon National Marketing Manager Shannon Ridge Family of Wines

Wine we will be tasting with Angie ~ Buck Shack Bourbon Barrel Cabernet Sauvignon 2018

## Jason Blanford

While studying Classical Civilizations in Italy, Jason took his first sips of Brachetto and Brunello on the same day and instantly fell in love with the unique diversity the wine world provides. He didn't know it at the time but recreating and sharing that experience would soon become his life's mission. A few years later, Jason's thirst for knowledge and education took him "down under" to Adelaide, South Australia, where he received his Master's in Wine Marketing. In 2012, he joined the team at Pasternak Wine Imports, the U.S. sales and marketing company for Domaines Barons de Rothschild (Lafite), driving sales in the midwest region as well as the National Account On-Premise universe. Most recently, Jason led the Central Division team at Taub Family Selections, managing sales and operations across 13 states. At Volio, he will be heading up Volio sales in the Midwest, based in the broad Chicago market. When he isn't crushing boxes and swirling glasses, Jason enjoys the futility of golf and exploring the outdoors with his family.

**Biographies** 

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#### **Rebecca Powelson**

After graduating from Miami University in 2005 with a degree in Early Childhood Development it didn't take Rebecca long to find that she had a passion for wine. She now is a Senior Vice President with ownership in Atlas Imports which imports and represents wineries with at least 100 years of winemaking tradition from around the world. Argentina is known for its fantastic Malbec's and Piedra Negra stands up to this reputation. The Lurton Brothers started Piedra Negra in 1996 and now own 200 hectars in the southern part of Mendoza in the Vista Flores region.

### Angie Bigham Shannon

Clay Shannon, Angie's husband, bought the first 80 acres of what would become Shannon Ridge in 1995. Today they have more than 2000 acres. In the early years most of the fruit was sold. Today, half of the fruit is used to produce the award winning wines in the Shannon Ridge portfolio, with the remaining 50% being purchased by premier Napa and Sonoma Valley wineries. In addition to farming about 1000 of their own acres, Shannon Ridge also farms approximately 2000 acres in Sacramento Valley, 600 acres in Lake County and 400 acres in Napa Valley. Quite an operation.

# **Pick Up Locations if Preferred**

International House of Wine & Cheese 11302 US Highway 12 Richmond, IL 60071

Elderwerks Educational Services 251 E. Northwest Highway Palatine, IL 60067 <u>Pick up on August 18th or 19th only</u> <u>between 9 am and 5 pm</u>

Questions? Call 847-462-0885 or email Events@Elderwerks.org

