

IMAGES FROM THE PS SYMPOSIUM

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If pictures are worth a thousand words, and having to process each thumbnail takes about 10 minutes per photo, this blog posting just took a lot more time than it would have taken me to write my usual 1,000. I've left the details to others, now, since I shared so much on the front end. I was very fortunate to have Jose Diaz photographing during the event, and most of these images are his. A few are also mine. The rest is history.

The event's now got lots of people buzzing. This posting just visually supports their thoughts.

It took seven months to plan. My husband/partner Jose created a WordPress blog for me, so I could manage on all the details as they developed at PetiteSirahSymposium.com. This site will stay there, and develop all things new about the symposium, including upcoming dates, topics, speakers, etc. for as long as this gig has life in it.



L to R ~ Top Collage: 1) Jim Concannon, 2) John Clark and Julian Halasz (Concannon), 3) David Gates (Ridge), 4) Bob Biale (Robert Biale Vineyards) and Bill Pease (Madrigal)

L to R ~ Bottom Collage: 1) Christian Miller (Full Glass Research), 2) Jim Ryan (Concannon), 3) Mike Anderson (UC Davis) and Patty Bogle (Bogle Vineyards), 4) Mike Anderson, Roger King (Suisun Valley Grape Growers Association), and Chris Smith (Bogle), John Monnich (Silkwood Wines and Kelpak)

Our new location at Concannon in Livermore exceeded even my wildest dreams. I, at least, had been to Concannon before, during, and after their \$30 million renaissance, so I knew what to expect. What I didn't expect, however, was how my operations partner Jim Ryan would pour his heart and soul into every logistical detail. I asked for this, that, and the next thing, and he delivered in ways I just didn't see coming.

The meeting room was set for 98 people, and only a few people didn't show, as always happens at any event. Lunch under their arbor was exquisite from my own observations, and those of everyone else commenting to me after lunch. Concannon Vineyard pulled out all the stops... as it were.

For those of you who didn't get to attend for one reason or another, here are the images. Perhaps you'll be able to make the next one. A lot of PS information was shared for the better development of this variety.

