

## Press Release

### **Winemaker Claude Ramu of Domaine du Centaure in Dardagny takes top prize at the 2009 Geneva Wine Selection Awards**

**On June 18, 2009 the 10th Geneva Wine Selection Awards ceremony took place at the Hotel de Ville, the seat of Geneva's cantonal government, in the city's Old Town. Among the many guests present were personalities from the restaurant, hotel and winemaking industries.**

Robert Cramer, the state councilor who heads Geneva's Territorial Department, Daniel Sulliger, president of the association of Geneva's winegrowing organizations, and Alexandre de Montmollin, the cantonal enologist, presented winemaker Claude Ramu of Domaine du Centaure in Dardagny with the bronze boar trophy awarded to the wine that obtains the highest number of points during the wine selection tastings. The winning wine is a 2007 red blend called "Légende". Domaine du Centaure is no stranger to the top slot, having also won it in 2007 for its Scheurebe.

Domaine du Château des Bois was awarded the Geneva Hotel School prize (the bronze figure of a baby boar) for its 2008 Sauvignon Blanc "Bois de Turretin". Students at the school conduct tastings to determine the winning wine. The Press Award – a print of a stone marten – was awarded to Christian Sossauer of Domaine des Pendus in Satigny for his 2008 Muscat.

The bronze casts given to the wine that receives the most points and the hotel school selection, as well as the print awarded as press prize, are all the work of internationally-known Geneva artist Robert Hainard who specialized in animal subjects.

Fifty-nine other wines, from the total of 533 wines submitted by 63 Geneva wineries, received a gold medal. Log on to [www.lesvinsdegeneve.ch](http://www.lesvinsdegeneve.ch) to consult the complete list of this year's gold medalists.

