

## 2023 Jérôme Aucourt Scholarships

Each year, in memory of Jérôme Aucourt, Château de Pommard and École V are pleased to provide 6 scholarships to motivated wine enthusiasts. The purpose is to support the winners in furthering their wine knowledge to enter the wine profession or to continue their existing journey in the industry.

**In 2023, the scholarships will be offered in three categories for a total of six (6) winners:**

- WSET Level 1 Award in Wines - French
- WSET Level 1 Award in Wines - English
- WSET Level 2 Award in Wines - French
- WSET Level 2 Award in Wines - English
- WSET Level 3 Award in Wines - French
- WSET Level 3 Award in Wines - English

\*Recipients of the above awards will complete their WSET course at École V Pommard.

The winners of the Jérôme Aucourt Scholarships will also be awarded an optional in-depth **immersion** into the wine world via a "1-day" mentorship with our different teams.

*Please note: it is not possible to complete the WSET course virtually/remotely. Course start date must be within 12 months of the award. The scholarship includes the cost of the WSET course and immersion experience only. Travel and lodging to attend the course and immersion remain at the winner's expense.*

### **Immersion Experience**

A full-day immersion at Château de Pommard, including experience with the following teams:

- Customer Delivery
- Viticulture & Winemaking
- Biodynamic Principles and Horse Care
- Retail Wine Advisors
- Concierge

\*Your choice of a maximum of two (2) teams, depending on availability.

The immersion also includes:

- An optional 30-minute Zoom chat with a Private Sales Wine Advisor or a member of our Marketing Team

### **How do I apply ?**

A complete application, meeting all requirements and including all required attachments, must be electronically submitted by 31 May 2023. Apply online using our [web form](#).

#### **For WSET Level 1 or WSET Level 2 Scholarship Applications:**

- Be at least 18 years old
- Submit a current CV
- Submit a motivation letter, outlining any relevant wine or hospitality industry experiences (if applicable, but not required). This letter should be between 500 and 750 words in length and provide the opportunity for candidates to inform the scholarship committee of their motivations.
- Provide contact details for 2 professional/educational references the committee could reach out to if the candidate were to be shortlisted. Example: current manager, former teacher, etc. Include email, phone number and context in which you know the person. References will only be contacted if you are a scholarship finalist.
- Applicants cannot be an owner, leader, director or employee of Château de Pommard or VIVANT WINES.

#### **For WSET Level 3 Scholarship Applications:**

- Be at least 18 years old
- Submit a current CV
- Submit a digital copy of the WSET Level 2 Award in Wine Certificate, showing that you passed Level 2
- Submit a motivation letter, outlining any relevant wine or hospitality industry experiences (if applicable, but not required). This letter should be between 500 and 750 words in length and provide the opportunity for candidates to inform the scholarship committee of their motivations.

- Provide contact details for 2 professional/educational references the committee could reach out to if the candidate were to be shortlisted. Example: current boss, former teacher, etc. Include email, phone number and context in which you know the person. References will only be contacted if you are a scholarship finalist.
- Submit an essay on the rise of organic and other responsibly-produced wines in the industry in recent years and the reasons for this trend. This essay should be between 500 and 750 words in length. The way you approach the topic is entirely up to you.
- Applicants cannot be an owner, leader, director or employee of Château de Pommard or VIVANT WINES.

### **Selection Process:**

The scholarship committee is responsible for selecting the scholarship recipients. The committee will review the candidates for the scholarship and select winners by a majority vote based on the overall quality of their entire application.

The committee will not discriminate based on race, ethnicity, and/or age in the selection of recipients.

### **Scholarship Award Program Calendar:**

**Opening of Applications: 15 January 2023**

**Application Deadline: 31 May 2023 (24:00 CET)**

**Announcement of Scholarship Awards:**

**1 September 2023\***

\*All applicants will be notified by email whether they have been selected or not.

### **Terms & Conditions:**

Scholarship winners grant permission to Château de Pommard to use photos, film and audio recordings of the student to promote the Jérôme Aucourt Scholarship Program by distributing, broadcasting, editing, or otherwise disseminating it, whether or not for free or for a charge, without any further approval from recipient, in whole or in part, throughout the world, in perpetuity, in any and all media now known or hereafter developed, without further compensation.

If requested, the candidate will provide proof of information, including but not limited to an official transcript of grades. False or misleading information may result in termination of any awarded scholarship.

If you have questions, please contact us by email: [education@chateaudepommard.com](mailto:education@chateaudepommard.com).