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Birko's Dana Johnson to Judge at Great American Beer Festival

Henderson, Colo. – Birko Brewery Specialist [Dana Johnson](#) will serve as a judge at this year's [Great American Beer Festival](#), October 6-8, 2016, at the Colorado Convention Center.

Johnson will join other brewery experts to award gold, silver, and bronze medals in each of the judging categories.

As a formulation chemist and home brewer since 1989, Johnson's expertise includes custom chemicals for craft brewers, keg cleaning, and brewery clean-in-place.

"I've always had a passion for beer and brewing, so it's truly an honor for me to be asked to judge at this premier event," Johnson said. "I love being able to make such a positive impact on the brewery industry through Birko's sanitation solutions and chemistry formulations.



Dana Johnson, Birko
Brewery Specialist

Johnson has contributed a number of articles for publications such as *Zymurgy* and *The New Brewer* and he is the current President of the Rocky Mountain District of the [Master Brewers Association of the Americas](#) (MBAA).

Birko's [brewery division](#) manufactures a complete line of specialty cleaning and processing aids for the brewery industry, for applications that include effectively removing beerstone, yeast washing, keg cleaning, fermentation foam control and the reduction of biofilms. Johnson holds a number of patents, and has been involved in the development of several Birko products, such as XLERATOR[®], Acid Brite[™] No. 2, Brute Plus[™], Way-Vos[™], Ultra Niter[™], and Cell-R-Mastr[™] among others.

"With these exceptional products, our depth of knowledge and the commitment to service we provide, Birko has earned a trusted partner role with many Great American Beer Festival medalists and 2016 [World Beer Cup](#) winners," Johnson said.

The Great American Beer Festival is the leading U.S. beer festival and competition, representing the largest collection of beers ever served at a public tasting event in conjunction with a private competition.

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