## ARGYLE

## The Art of Sparkling













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The centerpiece of the our creative partnership between Argyle and the Pacific Northwest College of Art (PNCA) is the annual Argyle Scholarship. After a juried competition, each of three scholarship recipients produce a work that reflects a creatively researched understanding of Argyle Winery and our surrounding wine-growing community in the Willamette Valley. These works become the labels for a special series of Sparkling Wines: 'The Art of Sparkling', now in its fifth year.

## TASTING NOTES

The 2017 sparkling wine vintage in the Willamette Valley was precise, full of beautiful natural acidity and tension in a classically cool September harvest. Knudsen Vineyard, protected in the deep volcanic soils of the Dundee Hills, brings supple depth and elegance, while Spirit Hill Vineyard, in the windy and rocky volcanic soils of the Eola-Amity Hills, brings energy and spicy minerality. Poached apricot, fresh ginger, and roasted almond are framed around a creamy center and long, graceful finish.

## VINIFICATION NOTES

**COMPOSITION** 55% Chardonnay, 30% Pinot Noir, 15% Pinot Meunier

**BRIX AT HARVEST** 18.7

**HARVESTED** Sept. 11–27, 2017

ALCOHOL % by Vol. 12.5%

**FERMENTATION** 95% Stainless Steel, 5% Neutral Oak

**DOSAGE** 3.5 g/L **SETS PRODUCED** 1600

WINEMAKER NATE KLOSTERMANN

BOTTLE FERMENTED
AGED ON THE YEAST
DISGORGED ON DEMAND

