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Student Success*

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- May 15 - Summer session begins
- May 18-20 - Wine & Food Festival
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Corps & Cuisine

Wine & Food Festival is here!

MSU Billings benefits us all – not just at a university level, but an individual one. The many faculty, staff, students, board members, and volunteers help to provide opportunities for collaboration between the campus and the community. More importantly, MSUB gives access to education and ensures student success. Students are at the heart of all we do, providing a quality education and impacting our communities in which we serve and beyond.

**Buy
Tickets,
today!**



Our students have big dreams and many face big obstacles. The MSU Billings Foundation & Alumni works to ensure that the cost of attending college isn't one of them. Wine & Food Festival raises much needed funds to provide scholarships for MSU Billings students. For 30 years this festival has been the signature benefit for Montana State University Billings. It requires not only the creative talents of scores of volunteers, but also the financial support of caring friends like YOU!

Since the festival began in 1993, we have evolved many times. After each festival, we look at what new ideas we can bring each year. Today, after over 30 years, it has grown from a single night affair into preludes and festivities that have connected thousands of friends to MSU Billings through classes, tastings, dinners, and auctions.

This year, we are excited to introduce a new look that celebrates our 30 years of success. We are also pleased to welcome Kelly Schrock, Director of Special Events, to the MSUB Foundation & Alumni team. As a Billings native, Kelly brings her passion for supporting a thriving community to our university and students. We hope you all get the opportunity to meet her during this year's festival May 18-20.

Your generosity and dedication have made access to higher education a reality for hundreds of students. Today, the need for scholarships is greater than ever. **You** can make access to higher education possible. By supporting the Wine & Food Festival, you're not only investing in a student's future, you're transforming a life. We thank you!

Are you unable to attend this year?
You can still support students today!

*Scan the code to
make a gift!*



Because of donors like you, MSU Billings graduates crossed the finish





Watch Now!

"This year's festival has something for everyone – exclusive wine lots, world class travel, and some of the best food around. Be sure to join us this year – you won't want to miss what we have in store for you."



Kelly Schrock
Director of Special Events

Thank You Volunteers!

Thank you to all who are volunteering for the 31st annual MSU Billings Foundation Wine & Food Festival. Like great wine, this festival just gets better with age! The time, talent, and tenacity from hundreds of volunteers over our last 30 years has helped the Foundation raise over \$7.1 million to directly support our students. We can't do this without the tremendous support of our friends, alumni, faculty, staff, and students. It takes a support from friends like you to pull off a successful festival each year.

A BIG Thank You to our 2023 Wine & Food Festival Sponsors!

This festival would not happen without the help and generosity of our donors, corporate partners, sponsors, and volunteers. Your investment allows us to assist deserving students and reward those who demonstrate outstanding leadership and academic excellence.

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line on May 6, 2023, at this year's 96th Commencement ceremony!



Thank you Yellowjacket Nation!

Thank you to all who participated in our fifth annual Jacket Giving Day. You helped raise **over \$77,000**, which will bring student programs and projects to life - advancing student success at MSUB.

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Calling for Nominations!

It's time once again for the **Montana State University Billings Foundation & Alumni** to honor MSUB's most outstanding alumni and friends of 2023. As a member of the Yellowjacket community, you are in the perfect



Nominate!

position to recommend the best candidates for the **Outstanding Alumni Awards** on **October 7, 2023**. This annual awards program honors alumni who have made exceptional contributions to society, their profession, and their alma mater. If you know an alum or friend who fits in one or more of six categories, please nominate them by **May 31, 2023**. *Any nominations submitted after this date will be considered for future Outstanding Alumni Awards.*

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