# Cannabis Beverage Association

Drink it in.
The future of cannabis is here.

### TOWN HALL JANUARY 2023

Grab an infused beverage, we'll get started in a minute!





## WELCOME!!

#### WELCOME TO OUR 1ST TOWN HALL!

- Meeting Kickoff
- Introductions
- Market Overview 2023: The Year of Beverage (but we mean it this time!)
- Who is the Cannabis Beverage Association (CBA)?
- 2023 Goals
- Membership Tiers & New Networking Tools!
- Committee Overviews
- How to join or contact the CBA





## MEET THE TEAM

#### **Cannabis Beverage Association Board Executives**

- Diana Eberlein, Chair
  - VP of Marketing & Business Development, SoRSE Technology
- Jon Purow, Secretary
  - Counsel @ Zuber Lawler, Editorial Board @ Global Cannabis Times, Host of "Cannabis Last Week" Podcast
- Committee Leaders
  - Marketing & Infused Beverage Awareness Jim Baudino, Sands Lane
  - Government Affairs Co-founders, Macai Polansky, Spacestation & David Quintana, Lobbyist
  - Industry Standards & Research Scott Riefler, SoRSE Technology





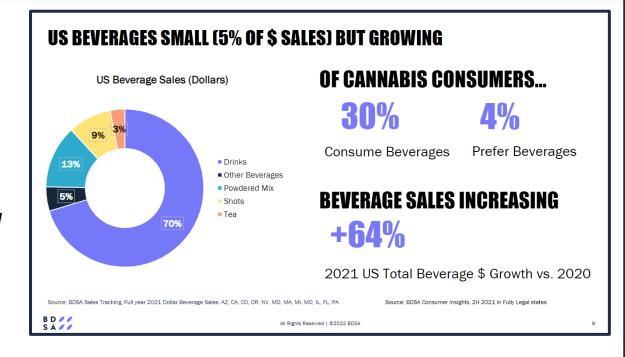
## INFUSED BEVERAGE MARKET

#### The fastest growing segment in cannabis consumption!

- Small, But Mighty Closer to 2% of Market
- Recreational Beverage Markets: WA, OR, CA, NV, AZ, NM, CO, MI, IL, OH, MA, ME, OK, AK, MO (not including active hemp-derived Delta 8/9 markets)

"Personally, five to 10 years out, I think cannabis beverages will represent 50% of the industry," – Boris Jordan, Curaleaf

BEVERAGES SELL BETTER WHEN THERE ARE MORE BRANDS, MORE OPTIONS TO CHOOSE FROM.















## THE YEAR OF THE INFUSED BEVERAGE?

"Rising tides lifts all boats...
and the tides are turning." - 2023

The Why: "Food, or just drinks?"

- Socially Acceptable
- Discreet
- Routine
- Quick onset, consistent offset
- Something for everyone Variety in flavor and format (RTD & RTM)
- Healthier consumption method to smoking/vaping
  - Enjoyable / Tasty





...AND NOW WE HAVE A DUAL CONSUMPTION CASE STUDY!

## WHO IS THE CBA?

#### THE FUTURE OF CANNABIS IS HERE - DRINK IT IN.

The Cannabis Beverage Association (CBA) is a national, non-profit trade association established to represent and support the rapidly growing cannabis beverage industry.

100% Volunteer-Based.

45+ Members.

10+ States Represented.

**MISSION:** To unite cannabis beverage industry stakeholders and advance the collective interests of the industry through advocacy and education.

- Government Affairs
- Education
- Industry Standards & Research
   Cooperative Marketing



















## GROWING INFUSED BEVERAGE, TOGETHER

#### WHY WE'RE HERE - TO WORK TOGETHER TO OVERCOME INDUSTRY HURDLES:

- Regulatory Labeling and packaging restrictions
- Lack of Standardization Testing
- Consumer & Dispensary Education
- Supply Chain & Infrastructure Issues From lack of co-packers to packaging
- Marketing, Advertising, & Sales Restrictions Vary by market
- **Distribution** CBD, THC, etc.















## CBA 2023 GOALS

#### Theme of 2023: Expansion

- New Year, New Markets!
- Increased number of board seats from 10 to 15

#### More Approachable, More Inclusive: "The Entourage Effect"

- More flexible payment plans and more ways to participate in CBA activities
- Open to all hemp and cannabis-infused beverages & ancillary services
- CBD, THC, Minors, Terpenes, Hemp-Derived Delta 8/9/10

#### **Increase Membership, Increase Impact:**

- All dues go toward lobbying efforts to move the industry forward as a whole
- Bring on 3<sup>rd</sup> party Association Management Support (Trade Org Standard)





(Not including government affairs and regulatory goals to be discussed during the CBA committee portion.)

## WHAT'S NEW FROM THE CBA in 2023

#### We were listening....

- Monthly Payment Schedule
- More Affordable Membership Options
- More ways to Participate
- Increased Market Representation (State Reps)
- Connect with other Members / Find Strategic Partners
- More Event / "Speak-Easy" Opportunities
- More Communication Quarterly Town Hall Meetings





## BECOME A MEMBER OF THE CBA

#### **OVERVIEW OF MEMBERSHIP TIERS**

#### **PAID MEMBERSHIPS\*:**

- "A La Carte" Donation Partner
- Supporting
- Contributor
- Associate
- State Chapter Founder

#### **IN-KIND OPTIONS**

- Media Partners
- Associations/Philanthropy/Cause
- Industry Data Providers
- Academic / Research
- Government Affairs



All members and partners will be required to sign the CBA Code of Conduct and Antitrust Statement.

\*Accredited Social Equity Groups receive 50% discount

## MEMBERSHIP - DONATION

#### "A LA CARTE" DONATION

- No monthly commitment
- One-time payments in exchange for exposure, including, but not limited to:
  - \$200 CBA hosted content\* (1x share on blog and newsletter inclusion)
  - \$500 Sponsorship of CBA Speak-easy or Virtual Educational "Happy Hour"



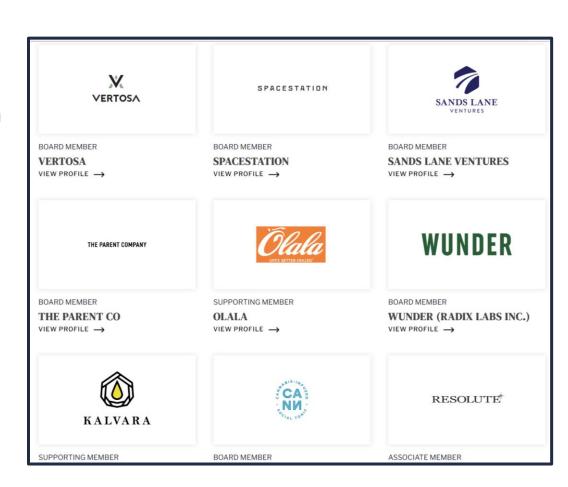
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## MEMBERSHIP - SUPPORTING

#### **SUPPORTING**

- \$600 Annual Fee (Paid Monthly \$50/mth)
- Recognition Company Logo & contact information on website
- Receive monthly newsletter
- Limited access to member resources
- Preferred pricing for CBA events (up to 50% off!)
- Use of CBA member logo on company website
- **NEW!** Access to CBA Listed LinkedIn Groups





## MEMBERSHIP - CONTRIBUTING

#### **CONTRIBUTING**

- \$1200 Annual Fee (\$100/mth)
- Includes Supporting Membership
- Full access to member resources
- Ability to provide content for publication on the CBA website and distribution channels





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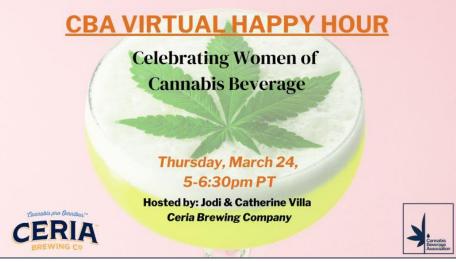
## MEMBERSHIP – ASSOCIATE

#### **ASSOCIATE**

- \$3000 Annual (\$250/mth)
- Includes Contributor Membership
- Board Consideration
- NEW! CBA <u>UNLISTED</u> LinkedIn Group
- Media placement, event representation, and partner content sharing opportunities



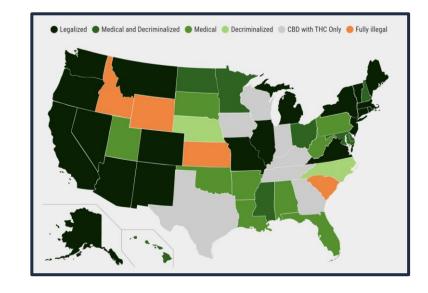




## MEMBERSHIP – CHAPTER LEADER

#### STATE CHAPTER LEADER & FOUNDER / ASSOCIATE

- \$1500 Annual (\$125/mth)
- Associate Membership
- Potential Invitation to the Board
- Role: CBA State Representative
  - Responsibilities Overview
    - Quarterly State of the Union (market update)
    - Local new member recruitment
    - Regulatory updates
    - Identifying potential local events, organizations, and strategic partners





## COMMITTEE - MARKETING

#### **Director: Jim Baudino**

- Marketing Objectives
  - Awareness of Category
  - Drive New Members
  - Member Engagement



- Content & Education
- Social Media
  - IG: @cannbevassociation
  - LinkedIn/Facebook:
     Cannabis Beverage Association
- Events
  - Industry Tradeshows & Conferences
    - eg, Benzinga, MJUnpacked, CDE
  - Non-Industry
    - eg, Expo West, SXSW
  - Happy Hours
- Sponsorship Opportunities

## COMMITTEE - GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

**Lobbyist: David Quintana** 

**Co-Founder: Macai Polansky** 

Goal: Represent the sector to ensure infused beverages are regulated

appropriately

- Bill Low Dose Testing
- Legislature Education on Beverage

#### **CBA SUCCESSES:**

- AB 2155 (Villapudua) Creating Definition in Law for Cannabis Beverages
- AB 1222 (Chen) Authorize
   Cannabis Beverage Glass
   Packaging to be Clear or Any Color



## COMMITTEE - INDUSTRY STANDARDS

**Committee Representative: Scott Riefler** 

Goal: To create and influence industry standards that maintain or elevate the quality, safety, and innovation of cannabis beverages.

- Laboratory Testing Standards for Infused Beverages
- Cannabis Beverage Research & Development
- Cannabis Beverage Manufacturing QA/QC Recommendations
- Collaborate with other Beverage Trade Organizations (AOAC/ASTM)





## Q&A

## **QUESTIONS?**



## JOIN US!

## Join the Cannabis Beverage Association today and make 2023 the year for infused beverages!

#### Sign Up Today!



## THANK YOU FOR JOINING US!

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