

## Heritage Distilling Co.'s Tumwater Location Opens June 4

Distillery and tasting room partnering with South Puget Sound Community College (SPSCC) as anchor tenants in Tumwater's new Craft District

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GIG HARBOR, WA (May 25, 2021) – Heritage Distilling Company, Inc. (HDC), Washington state's largest independently owned craft distillery, will open its newest location in Tumwater, Washington on June 4, 2021. The building is shared with South Puget Sound Community College (SPSCC) as part of the school's Craft Brewing & Distilling program.

The production equipment from HDC's Gig Harbor Flagship location is in the process of being moved to HDC Tumwater, which will include Nonna, HDC's original 2,000-liter custom Italian-made still and HDC bottling equipment. Annual capacity will be 150,000 proof gallons, per the current Washington state maximum for craft licensees.

"We are thrilled that Heritage Distilling is part of the new Craft District in Tumwater. Together we are joining forces with South Puget Sound Community College to be the anchor tenants in this historic venture," said Justin Stiefel, CEO of Heritage Distilling Co. "We thank REGEN (Developer Regenerative Development Partners), South Puget Sound Community College, the City of Tumwater, the Port of Olympia and the Washington State Legislature, among many others, who have worked very hard to make this happen. Tumwater holds a special place in the Northwest for its history of craft beverage production. It is only fitting that a world class craft production and training facility, working with the community college, helps to revitalize this proud tradition in Tumwater using its Artesian water source. Playing on the old tagline of the historic Olympia Beer, we believe 'it's still the water'," Stiefel added.

Heritage Distilling's space is over 11,000 square feet spread among three levels in the newly constructed building. It includes production, distillery tasting room, the distillery's patented *Cask Club*<sup>®</sup>, private event space, retail space and an outdoor patio overlooking the Craft District's outdoor amphitheater, which will host live concerts and events. The new Heritage Distilling facility was designed by *fi architecture* of Gig Harbor, with Darrin Filand overseeing all aspects of design and implementation (https://www.fiarchitecture.com/).

"We especially want to thank the City of Gig Harbor and its residents who have supported us since we opened nine years ago. We are not leaving Gig Harbor; spirits and barrel storage and all company administrative roles will occur at HDC's new Gig Harbor warehouse in the Latitude 47 development, plus retail sales will contiue at HDC's Waterfront tasting room, even as we grow this new location in Tumwater," said Jennifer Stiefel, President and Co-Founder of Heritage Distilling.

Upon its full buildout, the Craft District will feature a production brewery and tap room, winery tasting rooms, a small craft producers' market, the community college, restaurants, retail shops, commercial office space and an outdoor amphitheater. It is located in the shadow of the old Olympia Brewing facility along I-5 and overlooks the Deschutes River at 4200 Capitol Blvd SE, Suite 104, Tumwater WA 98501.

The facility will be open to the public daily 12-7 pm starting Friday, June 4, 2021. Opening festivities will begin at 2:30 pm on June 4<sup>th</sup>, and will include HDC's tradition of bagpipes, a blessing of the building and ribbon cutting.

Media guests are invited to preview the space by appointment with Hannah Hanley, CMO for Heritage Distilling Company, <a href="hannah@heritagedistilling.com">hannah@heritagedistilling.com</a>, 253-720-2205 prior to the public grand opening June 1-3, 2021.

## **About Heritage Distilling Company, Inc.:**

Heritage Distilling Company, Inc. (HDC), opened to the public in Gig Harbor, Washington in 2012. It is one of the premier craft distilleries in the U.S. and the most-awarded craft distillery in North America for the past seven years by the American Distilling Institute. HDC produces a range of whiskeys, vodkas, gins, aquavit and rums and operates distilleries and tasting rooms in six locations spanning two states and has distribution of select products in multiple states. Family operated and majority woman-owned, HDC is adept at connecting with and contributing to the culture of craft spirits through multiple channels. For more information, please visit <a href="https://www.heritagedistilling.com">www.heritagedistilling.com</a>.

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