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From an outstanding group of talented applicants, Leanne Beyel of Cloudburst Brewing (Seattle, WA) has been named recipient of the 2022 American Brewers Guild scholarship. Leanne will be attending ABG's Intensive Brewing Science & Engineering course that runs from January to July 2022. The Intensive Brewing Science & Engineering course is a 22-week distance education program with a final week of residential instruction in Middlebury, VT. The course covers all the fundamentals of beer production and quality assurance with a special emphasis on practical issues.

Leanne Beyel has worked in a number of capacities at Cloudburst Brewing and previously at Ghostfish Brewing, both in Seattle, WA. After college, Leanne spent several years as a mechanical engineer but decided to seek a new path heartily embracing a career in craft brewing. "Leaving an existing career to pivot into a new one in brewing takes a lot of courage and a lot of confidence," noted a Selection Committee member.

Her engineering background has been a real asset to both breweries in the packaging business. But "it is her intellectual curiosity, desire to absorb new concepts and ideas, and her positive attitude that sets her up for success." Leanne began as a home brewer, not just for the love of beer but for the sense of community with friends and family. Summed up aptly by the Selection Committee: "Leanne is brewing for all the right reasons as she is following her passion and demonstrating a strong sense of community in all that she does – two attributes which are core to the Glen Hay Falconer Foundation."

Congratulations to Leanne who is perfectly situated to benefit greatly from this American Brewers Guild scholarship.

Join us in thanking the Selection Committee of Jamie Floyd (Ninkasi Brewing), John Maier (Rogue Ales), Lisa Morrison (Belmont Station Bottle Shop & Biercafé), and Steve Parkes (American Brewers Guild) who were given the difficult task of selecting a single recipient from the talented group of deserving candidates.

The Falconer Foundation has granted 50 scholarships since 2004 and is dedicated to promoting knowledge and expertise in the craft brewing industry in memory and honor of Glen Hay Falconer. For more information on the Glen Hay Falconer Foundation, visit [www.glenfalconerfoundation.org](http://www.glenfalconerfoundation.org) and follow us on Facebook.

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