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ROBERT PARKER:

'I LIKE WINES THAT SAY SOMETHING BACK TO ME'

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Robert Parker was in Manhattan recently for the unveiling of the Wine A and he talked about Olympic swimming trials, why some wines began tal among other things, one regret involving his mother.



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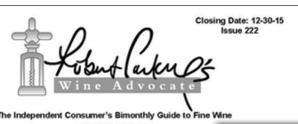
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"I'm very happy where I am. I hope I can keep doing it because if you're a young up-and-coming wine critic. it's one of the greatest and most exciting times to be around" - Robert Parker Jr.

I hope I can pass on through the Wine Advocate."

Robert M. Parker Jr., now 68, is still doing his best to pass on that love. It has been 38 years since he founded the Wine Advocate, a newsletter of tasting notes and numerical scores that is the equivalent of the gospel in

the wine world. A score of 100, the Holy Grail. Three years ago, Parker sold the majority interest in the Advocate to people he



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