



Patrick Campbell is a legend. He received the first **Vintners Integrity Award** and he deserves it. He was the founder of **Laurel Glen Winery** and has over 35 years of experience in the wine business which shows as he continues to make wines from all around the world from **California** to **Chile** to **Argentina**. Patrick believes that **great wine** comes from **great vineyards**. To make a vineyard great, emphasis is placed on the farming. After that, traditional, proven winemaking techniques are employed. **Tierra Divina** wines are **elegant**, **balanced** and **age surprisingly well**. Not only are they delicious they are **reasonably priced so that everyone can enjoy them!**

The following excerpt is from “**The Great Wines of America: the top 40 Vintners, Vineyards and Vintages**”

By **Paul Lukacs** ““Balance” is a word that comes up frequently when talking with Patrick Campbell-both when referring to wine and when discussing other aspects of life. In January 1973, then twenty-five years old and looking for direc-

tion- not because he had none, but because he felt pulled in so many different ones- Campbell joined a lay community of Zen Buddhists on Sonoma Mountain Road... The Zen community owned a three-acre vineyard, and one of Campbell's first tasks as a resident was to take care of it. Over the course of his three years there, he continued to play [viola in the Santa Rosa Symphony Orchestra], then got married and began a family, practiced daily meditation, and became ever more fascinated with wine growing. "By the time I left," he remembers, "I knew that I was going to dedicate myself completely to viticulture." Viticulture first fascinated this self-confessed "generalist" because he saw it incorporating so many different interests-everything from chemistry and mechanics to natural history and aesthetics. But Campbell also was attracted by the physical challenge involved. One of the remarkable things about the man is that, as a victim of childhood polio, he is paralyzed in both legs, yet insists on working every aspect of the vineyard and winery himself. It sounds clichéd to say that he has refused to succumb to adversity, but it's difficult to convey exactly how strong Campbell is-both physically and mentally.”