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Derek Grout

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Derek Grout was elected to the Columbia Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors on January 29, 2019.

Derek Grout is the Owner and Distiller of Harvest Spirits in Valatie, NY. Derek's career began as a freelance graphic artist and web designer, where his artwork was published nationally for Leo Burnett Advertising. In 2003, he returned to Columbia County to work at the family farm business – Golden Harvest Farms. He served as marketing manager for three years. In 2007, Grout established Harvest Spirits, a distillery which produces award-winning vodka, applejack and brandy. Today, the distillery attracts visitors from far and wide and has been featured in national media. Derek Grout is a graduate of Cornell University.