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RMAG Foundation's mission statement: "To inspire and educate current and future geoscientists."

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Join us as we commemorate five decades of advancing geoscience education and recognize our generous supporters who have made it all possible!

Food, drinks, and live entertainment

Whether you're a long-time supporter, past recipient, or new friend of the Foundation, we'd be honored to celebrate this milestone with you.

Let's toast to the past, present, and future of geoscience!

WHEN | Friday, September 26th from 6pm to 9pm

WHERE | Mines Museum of Earth Science
1310 Maple Street, Golden, CO 80401
(Free visitor parking)

RSVP by September 22nd

Please confirm your attendance by contacting us at
RMAGFoundation@rmagfoundation.org



50TH
ANNIVERSARY

K-12 Earth and Environmental Science Teacher of the Year Award

Each year, the RMAG Foundation recognizes an Earth and Environmental Science teacher with a professional development award and provides funding to their school to

Kirsten Johnson Nesbitt

Kirsten Nesbitt, a Middle School Science Teacher at STEM Lab K-8 in the Adams 12 School District, will receive \$2,000 for professional development, and her school's science department will receive \$2,000 to support earth science programs.



Ms. Nesbitt teaches 6th and 8th grade science at STEM Lab K-8 in the Adams 12 School District, where she emphasizes hands-on, problem-based learning to connect students with real-world geoscience issues. Her teaching philosophy centers on experiential learning to help students become informed citizens and stewards of the planet. She plans to use her award to enhance classroom projects with tools like soil testing kits, a stream table, and thermal imaging equipment.

Andrea Overton, Assistant Principal at STEM Lab School, highlights Kirsten Johnson Nesbitt's lifelong passion for geoscience, nurtured by family influence and deepened through professional fieldwork with the Denver Museum of Nature and Science.

Inspired by her grandfather, geologist W. Bruce Mackenzie - a geologist for the Climax Mine, and her own hands-on experiences, Nesbitt has become an exceptional educator who transforms curiosity into confidence and inspires future scientists, engineers, and environmental stewards.

Nadene Klein

The RMAG Foundation awarded Nadene Klein and her science department \$500 each in recognition of her outstanding work at Daniel C. Oakes High School in Castle Rock.



Ms. Klein, a 28-year science teacher at Daniel C. Oakes High School in Castle Rock, teaches at an alternative school for at-risk youth in the Douglas County School District. She uses Project-Based Learning to create interactive, personalized experiences that help students overcome educational gaps while emphasizing the balance of ecosystems, geosciences, weather, and climate. Her ultimate goal is for students to recognize their interconnectedness with the planet.

Brian Singleton, Principal of D.C. Oakes High School, praises Mrs. Klein for her ability to create an engaging learning environment that makes complex science concepts come alive.

The RMAG Foundation is proud to honor Ms. Nesbitt for her innovative teaching that inspires future geoscientists and Mrs. Klein for her impactful work with at-risk students. Both educators will be recognized at the August 6th RMAG Luncheon at the Denver Energy Resource Library and awarded a one-year RMAG membership.

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Thank you!

Special thanks are owed to our past donors who have created funds that assist student geoscience research. With your continued donation support, the RMAG Foundation will provide critical financial assistance for the next generation of geoscience students, an effort that has become of upmost importance to the Foundation.



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*50 years of service to RMAG and the
geoscience community*

The Foundation was established on December 31, 1975 by the founding trustees: John P. Lockridge, John W. Rold, and Robert J. Weimer. The Foundation has evolved over the years into one of the premier supporters of geosciences in the United States.

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