



# GRIT&ROCK FIRST ASCENT EXPEDITION AWARDS 2018

# ABOUT GRIT&ROCK



UK-based charity with an aim to boost grit and resilience in girls and young women through exposure to outdoors

# WOMEN TO THE LEAD

GRIT&ROCK EXPEDITION AWARD WAS CONCEIVED TO HELP ADDRESS THE ISSUE OF HIGH ALTITUDE GLASS CEILING

- PROVIDING FUNDING FOR SIGNIFICANT NEW ASCENTS TO FEMALE-LED TEAMS,
- GIVING WOMEN EXPERIENCE OF EXPEDITION LEADERSHIP,
- HELPING TO QUALIFY FOR OTHER ALPINISM AWARDS
- HIGHLIGHTING FEMALE TALENT TO HELP GET FURTHER SPONSORSHIP TO CONTINUE HIGH ALTITUDE PURSUIT

# FIRST ASCENT EXPEDITION AWARD



- ANNUAL NATIONALITY BLIND USD10,000 GRANT POOL TO HELP FUND FIRST ASCENT EXPEDITIONS
- PROMOTES CONTRIBUTION OF WOMEN TO SIGNIFICANT NEW ASCENTS
- OPEN TO WOMEN-LED TEAMS WITH 50% FEMALE PARTICIPATION
- ENDOWED BY THE GRIT&ROCK FOUNDATION FOR A PERIOD OF 10 YEARS

# SELECTION PANEL 2018



VICTOR SAUNDERS, AUTHOR, GUIDE, JUDGE PIOLET D'OR AND BANFF FESTIVAL'S LITERARY PRIZE



LYDIA BRALEY, FIRST WOMAN TO SUMMIT EVEREST WITHOUT SUPPLEMENTAL OXYGEN IN 1988, GUIDE AND AUTHOR



MASHA GORDON, FOUNDER GRIT&ROCK, WOMEN SPEED RECORD HOLDER FOR 7 SUMMITS AND THE EXPLORERS GRAND SLAM



CHRISTIAN TROMMSDORFF, PRESIDENT OF IFMGA AND GMHM (PIOLETS D'OR)



# 2017 AWARD WINNERS



# PERFORMANCE CATEGORY

# AMBITIOUS NEW ROUTE ON KAMEILONG PEAK (5873M) IN SICHUAN PROVINCE, CHINA



MARINA KOPTeva (UKRAINE)



ANASTASIYA PETROVA (RUSSIA)



GALINA CHIBITOK (RUSSIA)



# EXPLORATION CATEGORY

# MAPPING OUT NORTHERN PATAGONIAN ICECAP FOR THE BENEFIT OF BROADER COMMUNITY



NATALIA MARTINEZ  
(ARGENTINA)



CAMILO RADA (CHILE)

# FIRST ASCENT OF CERRO ENROQUE IN CORDON AYSEN







# PEAK H17



CHRISTINA POGASEAN  
(ROMANIA)

NASIM ESHQUI (IRAN)

# MONKEY BUSINESS, KARNAK VALLEY, INDIA





APPRENTICESHIP PRIZE

# DOING IT ALPINE STYLE

## DAWA YANGZUM SHERPA

ENABLING ACCOMPLISHED SHERPA  
BROTHER AND SISTER PAIR WITH 15  
8,000m PEAK ASCENTS BETWEEN THEM  
TO CLIMB A PEAK THEY GREW UP NEXT  
TO ALPINE STYLE



# FIRST ASCENT OF MOUNT LANGDUNG (6280M), ROWALING, NEPAL











SPECIAL GRANT

# HIGH ALTITUDE PURSUIT

ELISABETH REVOL

NO OXYGEN EVEREST ATTEMPT LINKED  
TO SUMMIT ATTEMPTS OF MAKALU AND  
LHOTSE



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