

## COLORADO

## AFFILIATE AWARD

In its third year, the Colorado Affiliate Award for Aspirations in Computing honored 27 awardees and brought together a community of like-minded young women interested in computer science and technology. Award recipients were honored with a dinner reception held at the University of Colorado, Boulder. Winners received trophies, information on potential scholarships, and prizes, such as Google Chromebooks. They were also able to interact and network with professionals from both industry and academia. Speakers for the event included women from some of Colorado's top tech companies, such as Microsoft, Google, and Quick Left. Representatives from local tech start-up companies were also in attendance. The celebration was geared toward partnering role models in the tech community with the next generation of women in technology. Keynote speakers emphasized how such partnerships can be an invaluable tool, especially as these young women begin their careers in computing. Attendees also had the pleasure of viewing the inspirational SHE++, a film inspiring women to empower computer science, along with a short film that was produced by several of the Colorado Affiliate Award recipients. The event and prizes for the winners were made possible through generous donations from the sponsors.



***“All my work is paying off, and being recognized for pushing through the hard parts of CS is absolutely inspiring. THANK YOU!”***

~ Aspirations  
Award Recipient

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**Geographic region covered**

All of Colorado



**Number of years Affiliate Award held in this region**

**3**



**Number of 2013 Awardees**

**27**



**Number of 2013 volunteers**

**39**

## LOCAL SCHOLARSHIPS OFFERED

### University of Colorado, Boulder

NCWIT Award finalists admitted to CU-Boulder's College of Engineering and Applied Science will be given special consideration for renewable scholarships, worth up to \$4,000 per year.

### Colorado School of Mines

Winners of the NCWIT Award for Aspirations in Computing are eligible for a \$1,000 scholarship from Colorado School of Mines if the winner is accepted to the University and majors in Computer Science.

## LOCAL COORINATORS

- Carol Kapaun, Rocky Mountain Information Management Association
- Ken Anderson, University of Colorado, Boulder
- Mary Ann Roe, Colorado Coalition for Gender in IT
- Sunana Batra, Aspirations in Computing Volunteer

## LOCAL SUPPORT

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- Rocky Mountain Information Management Association
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- Colorado Coalition for Gender and IT
- Steve Wille Photography

## LOCAL WEBSITE

[www.ncwit.org/awardCO](http://www.ncwit.org/awardCO)

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