

“Elk Lake – In the Middle of Everything Wild”
by Ken Rimany



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Kevin Chlad. Photo © Ken Rimany



Nicole 'Nicky' Hylton-Patterson. Photo © Ken Rimany

The 2020 Paul Schaefer Wilderness Award

Presented to Kevin Chlad, Director of Government Relations, the Adirondack Council, for steering citizen advocacy and coalitions for the Adirondack Park in productive directions.

“Kevin puts himself in the shoes of others and lets them take the credit to advance Park goals. That was Paul Schaefer’s way of accomplishing great things for the Adirondacks.” – David Gibson, Managing Partner, Adirondack Wild

This award features an original photograph “Elk Lake – In the Middle of Everything Wild” by Ken Rimany.

The 2020 Wild Stewardship Award

Presented to Nicole “Nicky” Hylton-Patterson, Executive Director, Adirondack Diversity Initiative, for elevating difficult conversations about race, shared power, and influence in the Adirondack region.

“The Adirondack Park’s mountains, streams, lakes, workplaces, homes, and neighborhoods belong to people of color as much as to white people. While these are difficult conversations, Nicky’s life experiences, professionalism and personal warmth are breaking down barriers and bringing folks together to make them happen.” – Sunita Halasz, Advisory Council member, Adirondack Wild

This award features an original photograph of a view from Mount Van Hoevenberg by Carl Heilman II.

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