



Women of Distinction

## Denver Alums

Akasha Absher 2021

Raydean Acevedo 1997

Tucker Hart Adams 1997

Rosa Linda Aguirre 1999

Steffie Allen 1997 \*

Rosemarie Allen 2022

Jandel Allen-Davis 2012

Andrea Allott 1997

Marin Alsop 1997

Audrey Alvarado 1997

Linda Alvarado 1998

Sueann Ambron 2004

Julika Ambrose 2008

Shirley Amore 2015 \*

Norma Anderson 2005

Rose Andom 2016

Sue Anschutz-Rodgers 1997

Mary Anstine 1997

Adele Arakawa 2004

Katherine Archuleta 2006

Lena Archuleta 2002 \*

Margaret Atencio 2009

Marilyn Van Derbur Adler 2000

Cynthia (Cinnie) Auer 2006

Donna Auguste 2001

Marti J. Awad 2019

Patricia Baca 1998

Mary Baca 2008 \*

Polly Baca 2004

Angela Baier 2022

Dr. Katie Bakes 2021

Tamara Banks 2003

Pamela Bard 1999

Veronica Barela 2006

Patricia Barela Rivera 1997

Ceal Barry 1997

Pamela Kenney Basey 2008

Letty Bass 2001

J. Bronwyn Bateman 1999  
Robbie Bean 1998 \*  
Kathleen Beatty 2003  
Clair Beckmann 2002  
Christine Benero 2010  
Marcy Benson 2014  
Nancy Benson 1997  
Sherrye Berger 1997 \*  
Virginia Berkeley 1997  
Elaine Gantz Berman 2002  
Betsy Bernard 2000  
LaFawn Biddle 1998  
Doris Biester 2000  
Phyllis Bigpond 2002 \*  
Kim Bimestefer 2015  
Lark Birdsong 1998  
Joan Birkland 1998 \*  
Kristen Blessman 2021  
Dawn Bookhardt 2002  
Juana Bordas 2003  
Annabel Bowlen 1999  
Linda Bowman 2005  
Peg Bradley-Doppes 2012  
Colleen Brave 2005  
Barbara Bridges 2005  
Judith Briles 2004  
Dianne Briscoe McKenzie 2019

Joan Bristol 1997 \*  
Molly Broeren 1997  
Kristin Bronson 2021  
Kelly Jean Brough 2014  
Alison Brown 2002  
Margaret Brown 2008 \*  
Carol Buchanan Lay 1997  
Sheila Bugdanowitz 1998 \*  
Denise Burgess 2013  
Susan Burks 2001  
Joy Burns 1997 \*  
Carol Burt 2009  
Christine Burt 1998  
Virginia (Gin) Butler 2003  
Erna Butler 2007 \*  
Dana Cable 2002  
Toti Cadavid 2007  
Nikki Cady 2016  
Nancy Cain 1997  
Peggy Cain 1997 \*  
Jan Campbell 1997  
Connie Campbell 2007  
Maureen Regan Cannon 1997  
Aimee Caplis 1997  
Diane Carman 2006  
Margaret Cary-Darkins 1997  
Lauren Casteel 1997

Margaret (Peggy) Catlin 2009

Juanita Chacon 2012

Merle Chambers 1997

Wendy Chao 2005

Cile Chavez 2003

Jeanette Chavez 2004

Angel Chi 1998

Linda Childears 1998

Mary Lee Chin 2007

Taryn Christison Edwards 2006

Leanna Clark 2009

Sue Miller Cohen 2000 \*

Colleen Colarelli 2008

Noel Congdon 1998 \*

Elycia Cook 2019

Gay Cook 2006

Pat Cooley 1997

Pat Cooper 1998

Phyllis Coors 2006 \*

Pat Cortez 2004

Courtney Cowgill 1997

Margaret (Midge) Cozzens 2005

Patti Cramer 1999 \*

Dana Crawford 1997

Mary Gittings Cronin 1997

Tammy Cunningham 2002 \*

Susan Damour 2004

Jo Marie Dancik 1997

Luella Chavez D'Angelo 2005

Laura Danly 2003

Kay Daugherty 2008

Joanne Davidson 1999

Janine Davidson 2018

Laura J. Davis 2015

Marcela De la Mar 2022

Raylene Decatur 2008

Diana DeGette 1997

Elaine Demery Potter 1997

Debra DeMuth 2004

Dawn Denzer 1999 \*

Donna Dewey 2004

Joanne Ditmer 1999

Ivette Dominguez Drawe 2009

Stephanie Donner 2016

Tamara Door 2007

Rae Ann Dougherty 2009

Bonnie Downing 2008

Tricia Downing 2012

Marion Downs 2004 \*

Helen Drexler 2019

Peggy Driscoll 1999

Jean Dubofsky 1997

Joan Duncan 1998

Leslie Durgin 1998

Kim Easton 2016  
Lucille Echohawk 1997  
Lindy Eichenbaum Lent 2022  
Therese Ellery 2018  
Janet Elway 1999  
Dawn Engle 2008  
Candy Ergen 2000  
Carlotta Ezpinoza 2010  
Cynthia Evans 1997  
Donna Evans 2009  
Lee Palmer Everding 1997 \*  
Jo Farrell 1997 \*  
Melodye Feldman 2007  
Verónica Figoli 2019  
Robin Finegan 2005  
Carolyn Fineran 1997  
Cathey McClain Finlon 2000  
Jennifer Adler Fischer 2003  
Leslie Fishbein 2007 \*  
Ellen Fisher 1999  
Susan Fisher 1997  
Patty Fontneau 2003  
Stephanie Foote 1999  
Joyce Foster 2010  
Lori Fox 2022  
Sara Fuentes 1997  
Patricia Gabow 1998

Gretchen Gagel 2007  
Jean Galloway 1997  
Elaine Gampel 2004  
Lynn Marie Gangone 2008  
Anna Garcia 1997  
Anne Garcia 1997  
Diane Garcia 2007  
Maria Garcia -Berry 1997  
Viola (Vi) Garlington 2009  
Velvia Garner 1997  
Marjorie Gart 2010  
Mary Foote Gearhart 2009  
Perla Gheiler 2023  
Helen Ginsburg 2005  
Milagros Garcia Glodava 2003  
Susan Goddard 2005  
Lynda Mallinoff Goldstein 2010 \*  
Sherry Gonzales 2000 \*  
Nita Gonzales 2003  
Maria Goodloe -Johnson 1999  
Carol Gossard 2004 \*  
Marion Gottesfeld 1998 \*  
Connie Graham 1997  
Rhondda Grant 2003  
Leslie Grayson 2006  
Elinor Greenberg 1997 \*  
Diane Greenlee 1999

Gayle Greer 1997  
Barbara Grogan 1997  
Maria Guajardo-Lucero 1997  
Lindsey Gutterman 2007  
Lucia Guzman 1998  
Cheryl Haggstrom 2015  
Jennifer Hagman-Hazell 2003  
Carolyn Hambidge 2007  
Gretchen Hammer 2018  
M.L. Hanson 2015  
Melinda Harper 1997  
Jean Haley Harper 1999  
Rosalind (Bee) Harris 2000  
Carole Harrison 2006  
Theresa Hart Kanan 1998  
Djuana Harvell 2015  
Stephanie Harvey 2009  
Jena Hausmann 2016  
Fernie Baca Hayes 1999 \*  
Allegra (Happy) Haynes 1997  
Anna Jo Garcia Haynes 2022  
Luanne Hazelrigg 1999  
Josephine Heath 2001  
Sumiko Hennessy 1998  
Barb Hennigar 2000  
Larissa Herda 2003  
Debra Herz 1999  
Lisa Herzlich 1997  
Paula Herzmark 2002  
Gloria Higgins 2016  
Arlene Hirschfeld 1997  
Elizabeth Hoffman 2001  
Elsa Holguin-Lucero 2001  
Sharon Alexander-Holt 2004  
Sally Hopper 1997  
Barbara Hornby 2000 \*  
Dorothy Horrell 1997  
Ding Wen Hsu 1999  
Kip Hughes 1999  
Swanee Hunt 1997  
Margaret Hunt 2023  
Kasia Iwaniczko Macleod 2021  
Irene Ibarra 2008 \*  
Georgia Imhoff 2000 \*  
Frances Jefferson 2008  
Carolyn Jefferson-Jenkins 2010  
Peggy Jennings 2018  
Debbie Jessup 2005  
Marguerite Johnson 1999  
Joy Johnson 2002  
Christine Johnson 2003  
Gwinavere Johnston 1997 \*  
Melba (Mel) Johnston 2012  
Robin Johnston 2003 \*

Jean Jones 2007  
Tasha L. Jones 2015  
Irene Martinez Jordan 2009  
Rita Kahn 1997  
Katherine Kaley 2002  
Sheila Kaplan 1997  
Karen Karsh 2006  
Tracie Keesee 2007  
Mary Kelley 1997  
Barbara Kelley 2008  
Alice Kelly 2002  
Vanecia B. Kerr 2019  
Florence Kessler Ruston 2001 \*  
Susan Kiely 2001  
Rebecca Kirchdorfer 2010  
Susan Kirk 1997 \*  
Susan Koonsman 1997  
Rebecca Love Kourlis 2006  
Brook Kramer 2016  
Katie Kramer 2021  
Dianna Kunz 2001  
Dottie Lamm 1997  
Carlotta Lanier 2000  
Anna Maria Larsen 2002  
Pat Lee 1997  
Tamela Lee 2005  
Georgia Lesh-Laurie 1997 \*

Darlene Letey 1997  
Sharon Haley Linhart 2004  
Pat Loewi 1997  
Ann Love 1998 \*  
Karen Lozow 1997  
Maria Lucero 1997  
Michelle Lucero 2013  
Mashenka Lundberg 2009  
Bertha Lynn 1997  
Donna Lynne 2006  
Denise Maes 2014  
Sharon Magness Blake 1998  
Betsy Mangone 2009  
Meera Mani 2004  
Adrienne Mansanares 2023  
Theresa Marchetta 2010  
Edie Marks 1997  
Christine Marquez-Hudson 2016  
Beverly Martinez 1997  
Loretta B. Martinez 2015  
Ramona Martinez 2014  
Jody Lynne Mathie 2001  
Karen Mathis 2005  
Caz Matthews 2003  
Nancy McCallin 1999  
Marureen McDonald 2007  
Anabel McHugh 1999 \*

Joyce Meskis 1998

Louann Miller 2010

JoAnn Millsap Pegues 2009

Leslie Mitchell 2009

Judy Montero 2010

Carrie Morgridge 2023

Brittany Morris Saunders 2023

Dwanita Mosby Tyler 2023

Ruth Morris Keesling 2004 \*

Edna Mosley 2005 \*

Jennifer Moulton 2001 \*

Myrna Mourning 1999

Felicia Muftic 2002

M. Diane Murphy 2000

Lillian Murphy 2002 \*

Karen Nakandakare 2013

Gloria Neal 2014

Toya Nelson 2007

Kathy Nesbitt 2014

Marcia Neville 2002

Karen Newman 2006

Dani Newsum 1998

Rachel Noel 1997 \*

Mary Noonan 2016

Gale Norton 1997

Jane Norton 2005

Kay Norton 2009

Sue O'Brien 1997 \*

Barbara O'Brien 2005

Carol O'Dowd 1997

Denise O'Leary 2012

Patricia Olson 2010

Yolanda Ortega 2005

LaRae Orullian 1997

Frances Owens 1999

Virginia Packard Rockwell 1998 \*

Mary Ann Padilla 2004 \*

Debra Abbott Pain 2002

Cleo Parker Robinson 1998

Cindy Parsons 2014

Kimberly Patmore 2001

Kathryn Paul 1997

Katherine Peck 1998

Cindy Pena 1998

Lydia Pena 1999

Ellen Hart Pena 2004

Mary Petryszyn 2000

Linda Petty 1997

Adele Phelan 1997

Kay Phillips 1997

Meg Porfido 2000

Elaine Potter 1997

Susan Powers 2000

Annette Quintana 2000

Victoria Quintana 2000

Lorii Rabinowitz 2022

Barbara Reed 2010 \*

Lisa Ramirez 2018

Judy Regensteiner 2022

Cathy Reynolds 2001 \*

Mary Rhinehart 2008

Meshach Rhoades 2018

Kristin Richardson 2013

Terri Richardson Brown 2018

Mary Ricketson 2004

Christine M. Riordan 2013

Sally Rippey 2003 \*

Jeannie Ritter 2009

Jessie Roberson 1997

Mimi Roberson 2013

Roberta Robinette 2021

Ellen Robinson 1998

Regina Rodriguez 2013

Rosemary Rodriguez 2005

Ruth Rohs 2023

Bea Romer 1997

Tinesha Ross 2018

Jil Rosentrater 2009 \*

Cheryl Ruiz-Lucero 2016

Anita Russell 1997

Lola Salazar 2021

Maruca Salazar 2014

Cecilia (Cec) Sanchez de Ortiz 2006

Lucinda Sanders 2008

Sandra Scanlon 2008

Kristy Schloss 1997

Gloria Schoch 2022

Gail Schoettler 1997

Lisa Schomp 1997

Patricia Schroeder 1997 \*

Vicki Scott 2015

Linda Sease 1997

Judi Servoss 1997

Linda Watson Sheehan 2003

Lily Shen 2006

Sharon Sherman 1999

Mary Ann Solano Shing 2009

Shari Shink 2013

Danielle Shoots 2023

Sandra Shreve 2006

Patti Shwayder 1998

Carol Simonson 1998

Janice Sinden 2014

Mary Sissel 2001

Monica Liley Skok 2022

Kathleen Smith 2007

Lisa Snider 2008

Christine Soto 2002



Katharine (Katie) Stapleton 2006 \*  
Maren Stewart 2012  
Linda Strine 2006  
LaDawn Sullivan 2021  
Mary Ann Swenson 1997  
Theresa Szczurek 2019  
Becky Takeda-Tinker 2018  
Maureen Tarrant 2022  
Faye Wilson Tate 2003  
Marilyn Taylor 1997  
Wilma Taylor 1997 \*  
Judith Taylor 2007  
Teresa Taylor 2008  
Sandy Tenenbaum 2002  
Kyla Thompson 1997  
Jill Tietjen 1997  
Elaine Torres 2009  
Joan Carpenter Troccoli 2001  
Debbie Trujillo 2015  
Nancy Tuor 2023  
Caroline Turner 2000  
Joanne Underhill 1997  
Menola Upshaw 2001 \*  
Martha Urioste 2007 \*  
Marilee Utter 1997  
Lynn Valencia 2008  
Andrea Van Steenhouse 1997

Dianne Vanderlip 1999  
Hollie Velasquez-Horvath 2023  
Sherri Vasquez 2007 \*  
Cindy Velasquez 1998  
Sharon Vigil 1998  
Patricia Vincent-Collawn 2005  
Mary Beth Vitale 1997  
Terry Vitale 1998  
Judith Wagner 1997  
Judy Ward 1998  
Tamra Ward 2006  
Anne Warhover 2001  
Carita Watson 2007  
Rebecca Watson 2007  
Wilma Webb 1997  
Elbra Wedgeworth 2004  
Debbie Welle-Powell 2014  
Barbara Wells 1997  
Dottie Wham 2001 \*  
Mary White 1997  
Roxane White 2002  
Linda Williams 2001  
Marla Williams 1997  
Sarah Winbourn 2019  
Tracy Winchester 1998  
Robin Wise 2003  
Robin Wittenstein 2019

Annie Wohlgenant 2005

Judi Wolf 2000

Carolyn Schaefer Wollard 2006

Sandra Woods 1999

Alice Yee 1997

Linda Yip 2023

Barbara Yondorf 2008

Erin Yoshimura 2010

Sylvia Young 2021

Helen Young Hayes 2019

\* deceased

### **Lifetime Achievement**

LaRae Orullian '97

### **Advocate for Women and Girls**

Jill S. Tietjen '97

### **Commitment to Public Service**

Elbra M. Wedgeworth '04

### **Corporate Champion**

Crocs, 2019

## **20th Anniversary Women of Distinction Awardees**

### **Advocacy for Youth**

Elaine Gantz Berman '02

### **Progressive Community Leader**

Juana Bordas '03

### **Accomplished Philanthropist**

Arlene Hirschfeld '97

### **Dedication to Girl Scouts**

Jean C. Jones '07