



## **Holton-Arms School Hosts Second Women & Power for Good Summit**

*Thirty-eight Alumnae from DC to Dubai Return to Lead Students in Discussions about the role of power in making a positive impact on the world.*

**Washington, D.C. APRIL 23, 2021** Holton-Arms School will host its second bi-annual *Women & Power Summit for Good* this month featuring 38 accomplished alumnae ([full bios](#)) from the classes of 1961 through 2007. Due to the pandemic, alumnae will be joining virtually from around the globe to lead discussions with Upper School students about the role of power in effecting positive change.

“Women need to acknowledge that we need power to accomplish goals and to make a difference,” said Head of School Susanna Jones. “Instead of shrinking from power for fear of offending, women need to think consciously about how we can gain and use power for good.”

The morning’s events include a keynote address from professional photographer and Holton Trustee Anne Blossom Keiser (Holton ‘66). After graduating from Middlebury College, Anne worked as a photo editor and photographer at the National Geographic Society. She traveled the world with crews that produced PBS documentaries on topics ranging from endangered wildlife to the accomplishments of mountaineer and explorer Sir Edmund Hillary, the first person to summit Mount Everest. She later authored the book *Sir Edmund Hillary and the People of Everest*. Additionally, she serves on several community boards including the Washington Tennis & Education Foundation, the Middle East Institute, the Sulgrave Club, Chorus America, the Greater Himalayas Foundation and the Smithsonian National Board.

*Women & Power for Good Summit* was inspired by Marcia Johnson Bateson (Holton ‘75), a Trustee and former financial executive. She approached the School about more explicitly exploring power as a topic of reflection for Upper School students. The inaugural event in 2019 featured a keynote from then-IMF Managing Director Christine Lagarde (Holton ‘74) and student discussions with more than 30 alumnae from diverse professional paths. This year’s event is made possible by the Mary Jane Puckett Fund to Advance Women & Power for Good.

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