

Press Release

For Immediate Release

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MNSA Banquet and Awards Ceremony on April 7, 2024; public invited to attend

The Minnesota Nordic Ski Association (MNSA) is honoring Nancy Bauer and Kris Hansen as the 2024 Minnesota Nordic Skiing Lifetime Achievement Award recipients at the Minnesota Nordic Skiing Awards banquet on Sunday, April 7. This award is given annually to individuals who have contributed significantly, for many years, to the advancement of cross country skiing in the state of Minnesota. In addition to the two Lifetime honorees, MNSA will also recognize Annelise Baird and Eric Anderson as Minnesota Biathlon High Achievement Award recipients, and Kathy Kelly and Pete Hawkins as Minnesota Master Skier Award recipients. New this year will be the recognition of MNSA club member, Northern Lights Nordic Ski Club, for their excellence in contributing to the advancement of cross country skiing in the state of Minnesota. Ryan Rodgers, author of the outstanding book, *Winter's Children: A Celebration of Nordic Skiing*, will be the keynote speaker for the banquet, presenting on the history of Nordic skiing in Minnesota. The banquet is free and open to the public.

Details:

Sunday, April 7, 2024

Mora Vasaloppet Nordic Center, 401 Nordic Center Drive, Mora, MN 55051

1:00 PM - Social hour with refreshments

2:00 PM - Keynote speech by Ryan Rodgers, author of *Winter's Children: A Celebration of Nordic Skiing*

Awards presentations following the keynote presentation

No charge to attend; open to the public

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