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Media Invitation**Jill Heinerth, RCGS Explorer-in-Residence,
visits Thunder Bay to share exploration techniques with students**

Who: Jill Heinerth, The Royal Canadian Geographical Society's Explorer-in-Residence
What: Thunder Bay students will learn about exploration with Jill Heinerth
When: Tuesday, January 15th, 2019 at 9:20 a.m.
Where: St. Martin School's gymnasium, 115 Mary St West Thunder Bay, Ontario, P7E 2L8

Canada's Jill Heinerth is one of the world's top marine explorers and holds the record for going farther into deep underwater caves than any woman in history. Heinerth, the Royal Canadian Geographical Society's [Explorer-in-Residence](#), will be visiting St. Martin School and a number of schools in the area to share what it takes to become a modern-day explorer. Heinerth's curiosity, technical prowess, and fearlessness have taken her inside Antarctic icebergs, and led her to venture into underwater caves and shipwrecks the world over.

At St. Martin School, Heinerth hopes to inspire students to get outdoors, explore, and make their own discoveries. Heinerth's dynamic and stunning photographs from the last finite frontiers of this planet are guaranteed to keep her audience enthralled as she recounts her most recent Canadian expeditions. In her 2016 [Bell Island Newfoundland](#) expedition, she explored WWII shipwrecks and documented the lives of the 70 men that died in attacks by German U-boats. This year on her [Underwater Canada](#) project, she will travel across every province and territory to document water issues and share the mysteries of Canada's submerged geography.

Students will be able to take advantage of Heinerth's visit to learn about some of the skills needed to become an explorer in the digital age. Students will be actively involved in Heinerth's presentation, from helping her set up and acting as AV technicians to interviewing Heinerth once her presentation is complete.

Jill Heinerth's [We Are All Explorers](#) Canadian tour is supported by [The W. Garfield Weston Foundation](#). For three generations, The W. Garfield Weston Foundation has pursued its mission to enhance and enrich the lives of Canadians. With a focus on medical research, the environment, and education, the foundation aims to catalyze inquiry and innovation to bring about long-term change.

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