

**THE JOSEPH POWER DESPRES SCHOLARSHIP**  
**Joseph Power Despres**

Joe grew up in Marblehead, graduating from Marblehead High in 1991 and attended the Maryland Institute of Art in Baltimore. After moving to Colorado he worked as a tree trimmer earning the respect of colleagues and customers, and began the process of starting his own firm. He was an experienced backcountry telemark skier and hiker, and quickly became part of a local group of expert skiers who set the standards for skill and safety in the area. He died on November 28, 2001 in a freak, early-season avalanche.