

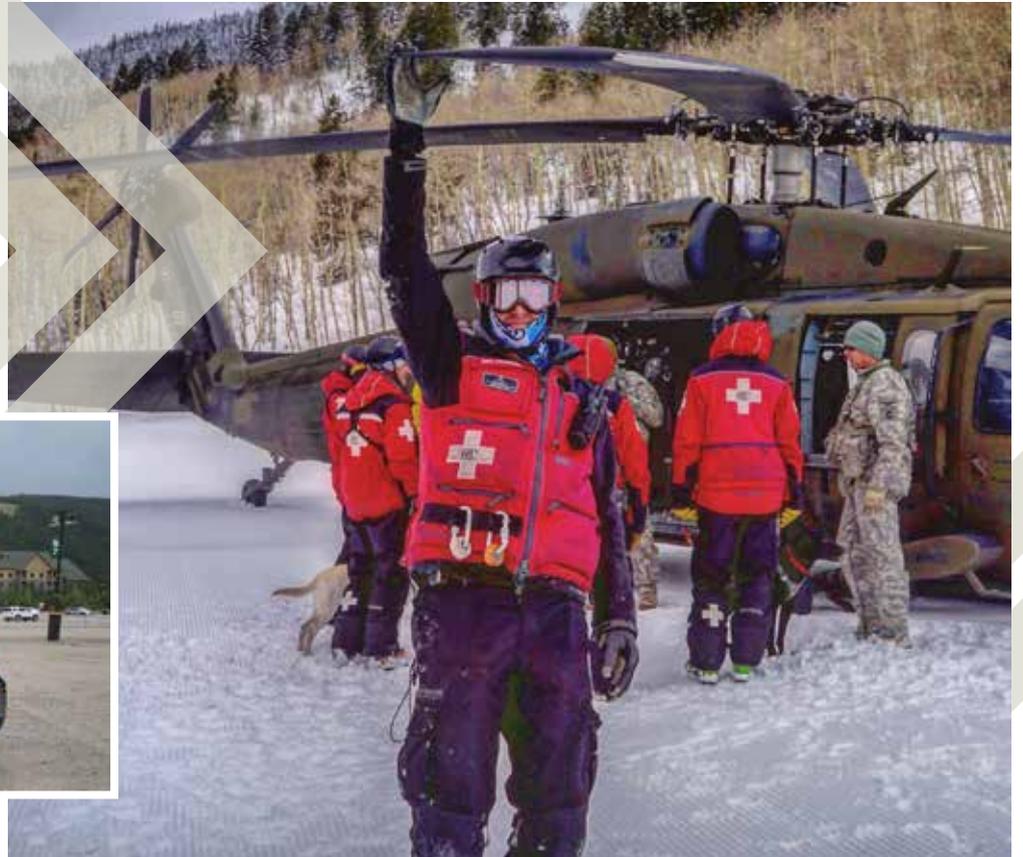
# PATROLLER AMBASSADOR

MEET THIS YEAR'S NSP SUBARU AMBASSADORS

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Brendan McCue



The NSP-wrapped Subaru.

**T**his year, the National Ski Patrol ran a contest that would enable two NSP patrollers to receive an NSP-wrapped Subaru Outback that they can drive for the ski season. The patrollers are expected to drive the car to their mountain when they patrol, and also drive it to events in their region and post photos of the car on social media channels.

This year's NSP Subaru Ambassadors are Brendan McCue, of the Beaver Creek Ski Patrol in Colorado, and Selina Guendel, who will start patrolling this year with Snowbasin Resort Ski Patrol in Utah after previously patrolling at Belleayre in New York.

Read on to learn more about this year's NSP Subaru Ambassadors in their own words, and then continue to follow their journey as they post on the NSP website and through social media this season!

## BRENDAN MCCUE

Growing up, I was fascinated with board sports. I grew up in Milwaukee skateboarding, and as soon as I could I moved out to Colorado to snowboard with a few friends. I moved around a bit, but always found myself back in Colorado. About 10 years ago, I discovered telemark skiing. It was new, extremely difficult, and very humbling. I was soon hooked.

I worked in restaurants, but skied every chance I had. One restaurant I worked in was at the base of Beaver Creek. I remember watching the ski patrollers with envy. It was such a noble position. I eventually realized that restaurants were not for me and was hired on as a patroller. Shortly after, I became EMT certified to gain more knowledge in the medical field.

As well as sports, I also have a passion for photography. Since joining the Beaver Creek

Ski Patrol, I have become a very important part of their social networking department. I take pictures for Facebook and the Beaver Creek website. I love being able to share our lifestyle and document what we do as patrollers.

This past year, my wife and I had twins, a boy and a girl, and we are excited to share our love for the outdoors and photography with them. We feel so lucky to call the Vail Valley our home. This coming season, my brother will join us on the Beaver Creek Ski Patrol.

I feel so grateful to be able to represent NSP and Subaru, the type of car that I currently own and love, throughout this next year. It's a wonderful opportunity to represent a part of myself that I have worked so hard to be successful at.

**Follow Brendan on Twitter and Instagram at bigbsurf.**



Selina Guendel



### **SELINA GUENDEL**

My name is Selina (Seni) Guendel, and I am a Senior patroller out of New York and am excited to introduce myself as an NSP Subaru Ambassador for this season!

I started patrolling as part of Belleayre Mountain's "Student Intern" program, mainly as an excuse to get my parents to drive me to the mountain each weekend! However, over the past nine years I've come to love the excitement, camaraderie, and confidence that ski patrol has given me. There's no better place to meet other strong female skiers!

After completing my masters in kinesiology in British Columbia, I moved back to Belleayre to work a season as a full-time pro patroller. Getting paid to ski? I was hooked. I was also eager to move up to bigger

mountains and expand my patrolling repertoire. This season, I am taking the plunge and making the move out west to accept a patrolling position at Snowbasin Resort in Utah.

With the support of Subaru, I am looking forward to an unforgettable road trip, especially in a reliable car that can keep up with my adventures and fit all of my gear! When I'm not skiing, I'll be filling the Outback with my fly fishing rod, hiking boots, sleeping bag, and road bike to further explore my new "Western Frontier."

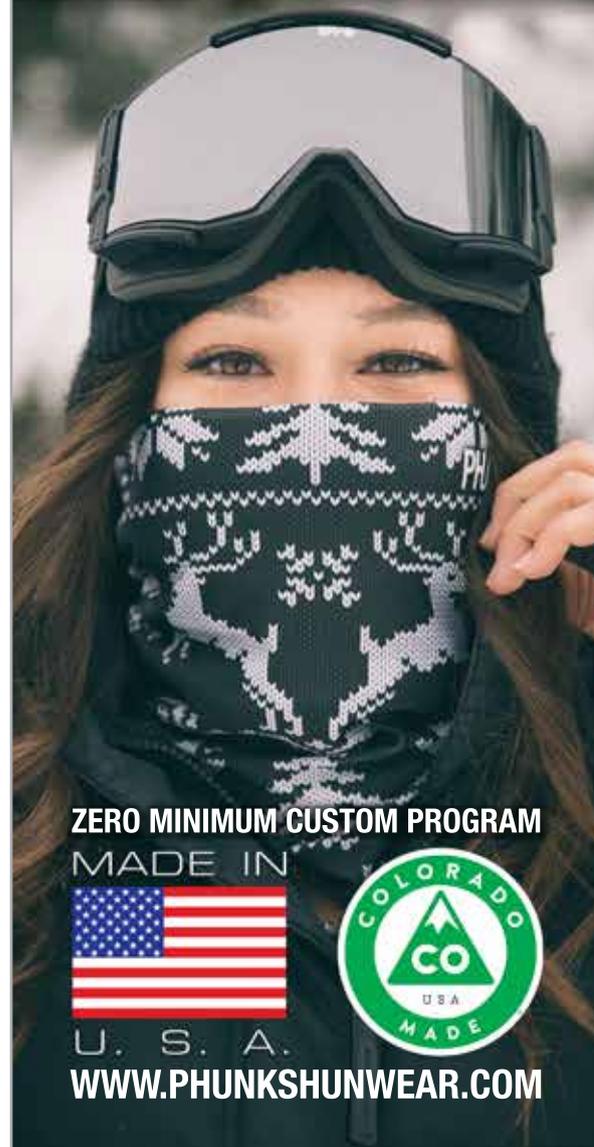
I'm looking forward to sharing my journey from the East to West with NSP and Subaru, and hope you will join me on the adventure! See ya on the road!

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