

Maria Paradis (1778-1839)

- Nationality: French
- Occupation/Social Class: maid
- Climbing Age: 30
- Personal Characteristics: dragged to top of Mont Blanc
- Reasons for Climbing: monetary motivations

Henriette d'Andeville (1794-1871)

- Nationality: French
- Occupation/Social Class: seamstress
- Climbing Age: 44
- Personal Characteristics: curious, energetic, persistent
- Reasons for Climbing: love of the mountain ("That is where I find my particular happiness.")

Elizabeth Le Blond (1861-1934)

- Nationality: British
- Occupation/Social Class: upper middle class
- Climbing Age: 21-41
- Personal Characteristics: self-confident, curious, adventurous
- Reasons for Climbing: to break the "shackles of conventionality"

Annie Smith Peck (1850-1935)

- Nationality: American
- Occupation/Social Class: middle class
- Climbing Age: 45-78
- Personal Characteristics: persistent, determined
- Reasons for Climbing: to promote feminism, science, and international relations, as well as for the exhilaration, satisfaction, physical challenge, necessary focus, and beauty of the land

Miriam O'Brien Underhill (1898-1976)

- Nationality: American
- Occupation/Social Class: upper middle class
- Climbing Age: 21-62
- Personal Characteristics: graceful, strong, determined
- Reasons for Climbing: "[liked] to be high"

Rebecca Ross (1988-)

- Nationality: American
- Occupation/Social Class: upper middle class
- Climbing Age: 21
- Personal Characteristics: curious, persistent, self-confident, strong, determined
- Reasons for Climbing: physical/mental challenge, personal growth/transfer, interest in experiential education