**The High Grade**

**Museum location:**
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Phone: 719-486-1229

**Matchless Mine & Baby Doe’s Cabin:**
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An exclusive first look at our new temporary exhibition, Sequencing through Time and Place: The Carissa Mine. This exhibition is unlike anything we've had the museum before, and you don't want to miss it.

We are pleased Remax Aspen Leaf Realty of Leadville has returned as presenting sponsor for the event. Their continuing support of this effort has contributed to Wine at the Mine becoming the social event of the winter season for locals and visitors alike.

With generous support from the business community, our silent auction has become an attraction itself. This year, The Rock Hut's contribution of a beautiful pyrite specimen is sure to be a highly sought after item.

Tickets are $40 through February 3rd and $45 thereafter. The first 150 ticket purchasers receive a free NMHF logo branded wine glass. During our Community Appreciation Day on December 8th, tickets may be purchased in our gift shop for $35. Check our website at www.mininghalloffame.org for details and ticket purchases. All proceeds benefit your nonprofit National Mining Hall of Fame and Museum.
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