Bio

Jane Woodward is a founder and Managing Partner at MAP Energy, a renewable energy and natural gas investment firm. She is also an Adjunct Professor in the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering at Stanford University where she has taught classes on energy and environment since 1991. She currently teaches Understanding Energy every Autumn and Spring quarter (CEE 107A/207A/EarthSys 103 https://energy.stanford.edu/understanding-energy). She is also involved with CEE 107R/207R: E3: Extreme Energy Efficiency, a course that takes place at Rocky Mountain Institute in Basalt, CO over spring break (https://web.stanford.edu/class/cee207r/).

She founded the Schneider Sustainable Energy Fellows Program (honoring Stephen H. Schneider) that places over 20 Stanford students annually at leading US sustainable energy NGOs. Jane also serves on Stanford’s Precourt Institute for Energy Advisory Council, and funds a variety of sustainable energy education initiatives at Stanford.

In 1988, Jane co-founded Community Impact (now HandsOn Bay Area), a Bay Area public service volunteer organization. In 2016, she also created The Foster, a 14,000-square-foot art venue in Palo Alto, to share artist-explorer Tony Foster’s powerful exhibitions of watercolor journeys with an intention to inspire connection to the natural world.

Prior to founding MAP in 1987, Jane worked as an exploration geologist with ARCO Exploration Company and later as a petroleum engineering consultant to Stanford University’s endowment.

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