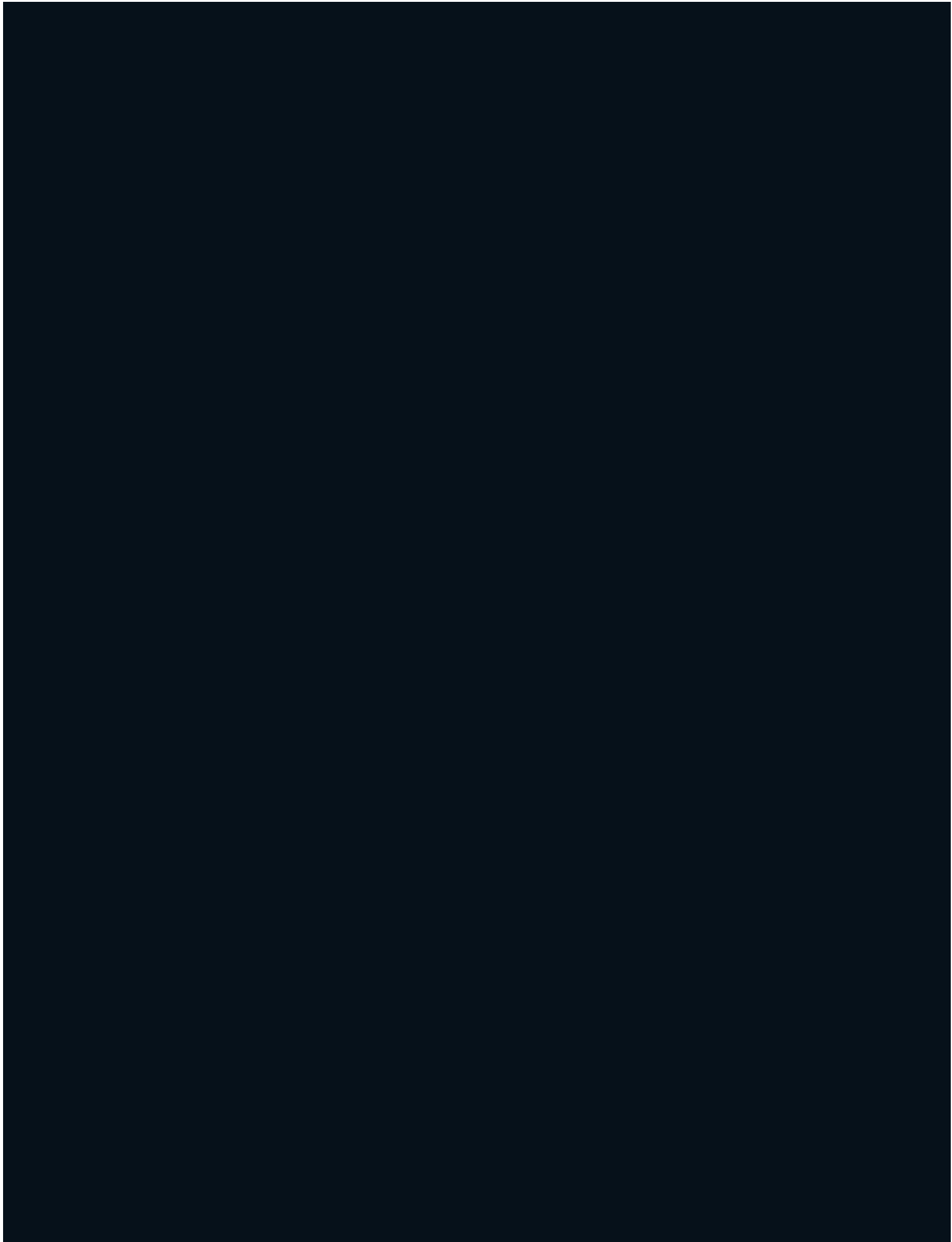
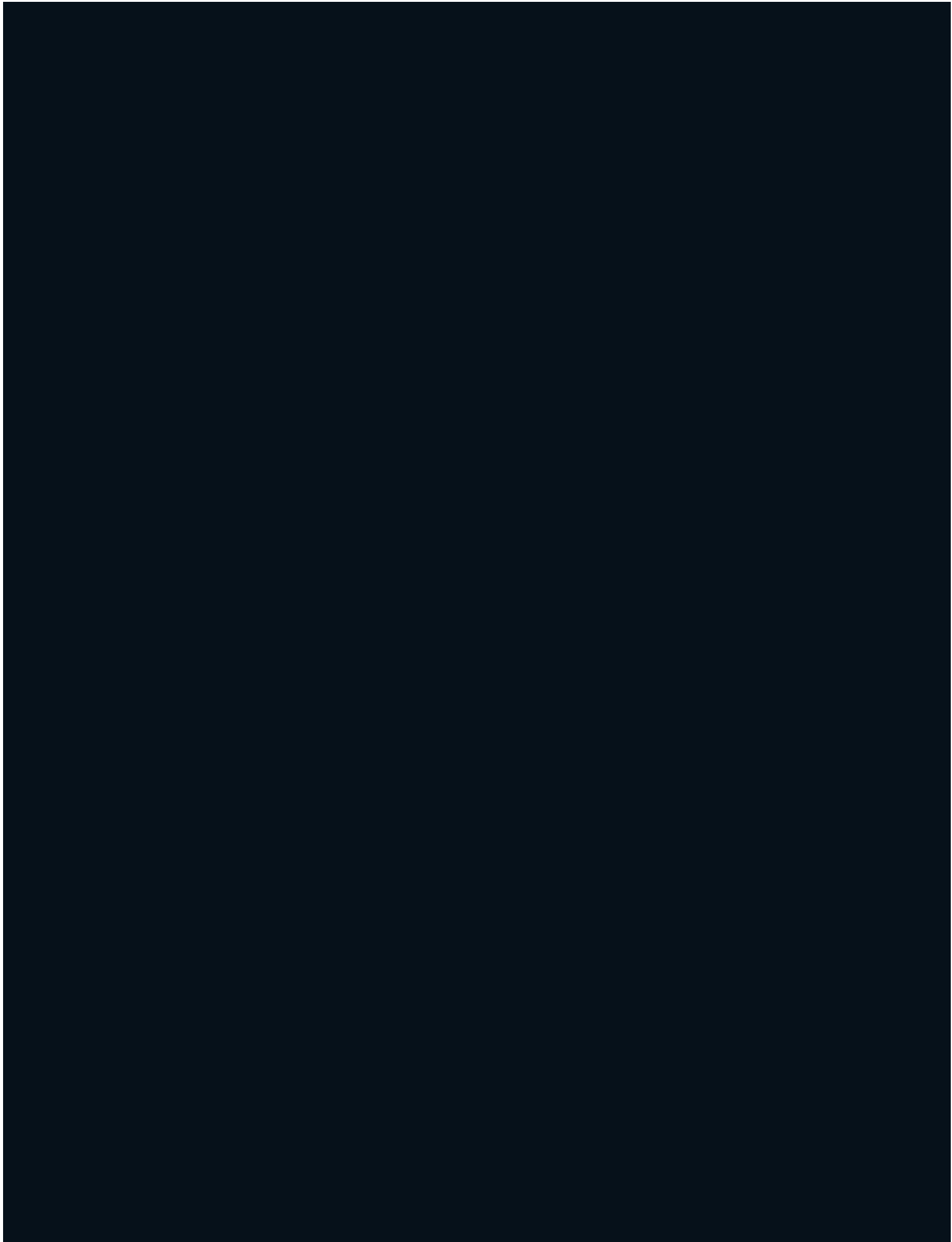


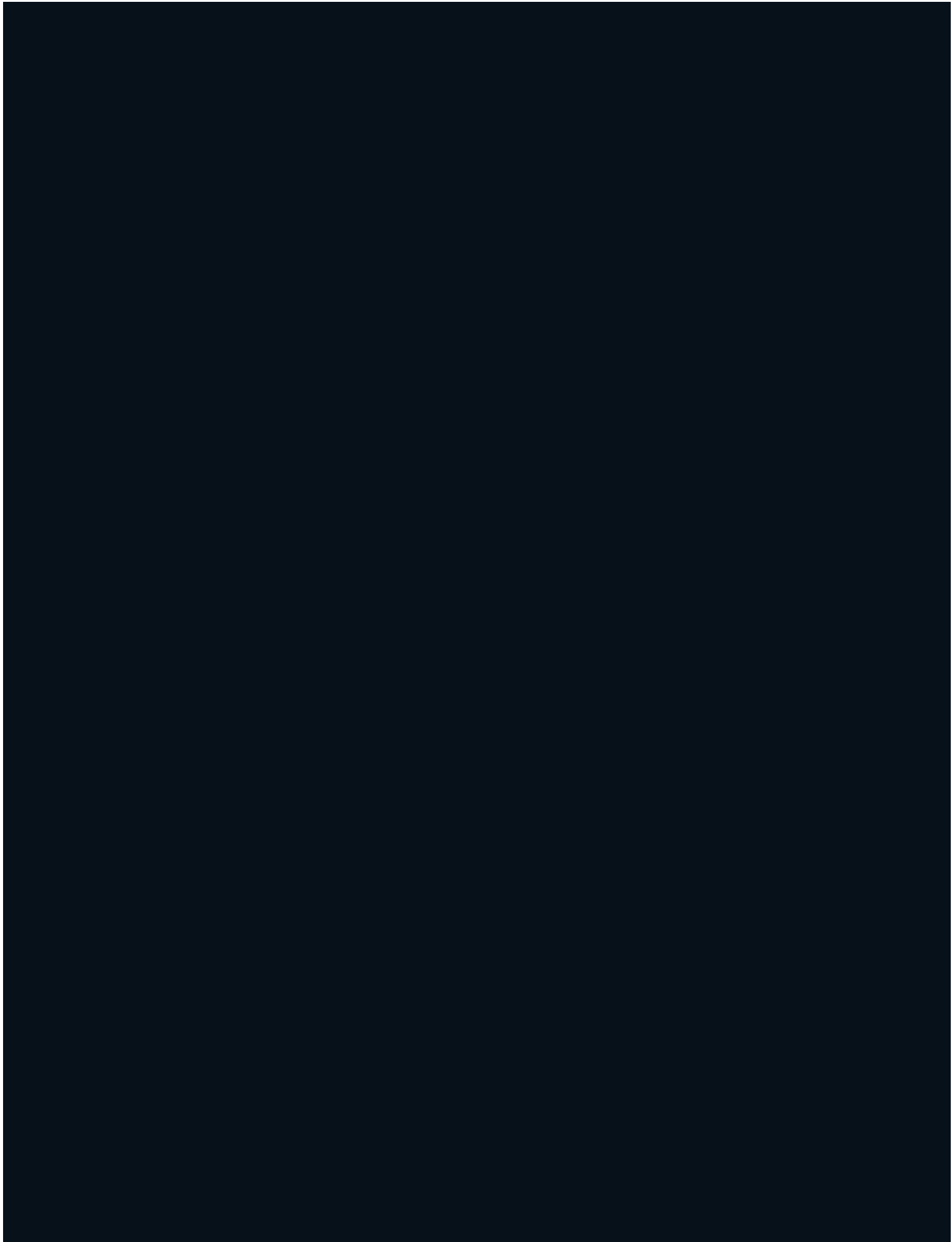
Above: Student Erik Bach uses a jackleg drill in UAF's underground mine training camp near Delta Junction in November 2022. In the foreground is instructor Jim Smith. Instructor Sam Reves is in the background. Photo courtesy of the UAF Mining





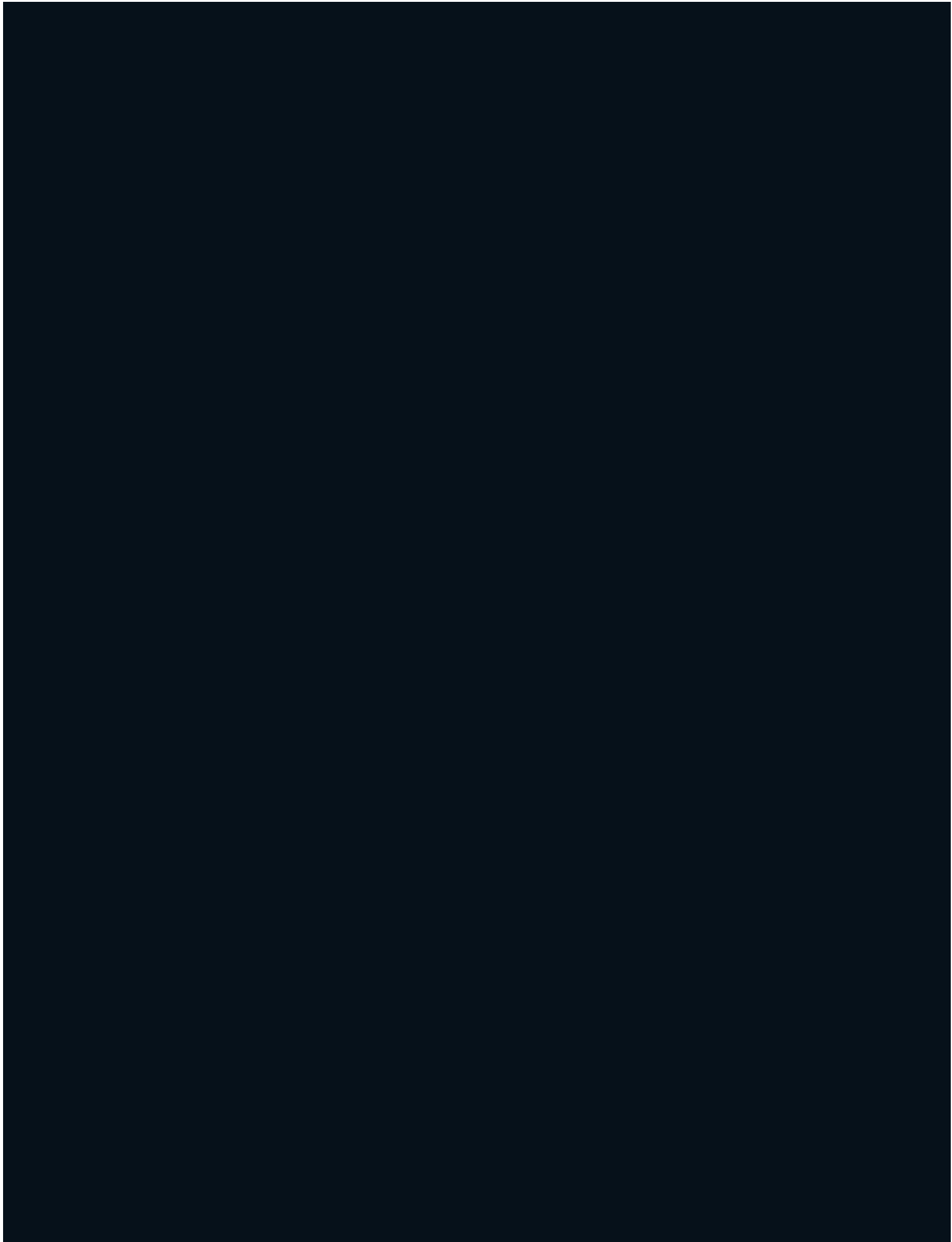


Top: Attendees enter the tunnel while taking a tour of the facility during the MAPTS graduation day. Middle: Attendees view a large piece of mining equipment in the above-ground facility. Bottom right: Attendees view a large truck at the training center. Bottom left: Graduates attend presentations and a ceremony on the floor of the underground 'great room' on Nov. 21, 2022 UAF photos by Eric Engman.

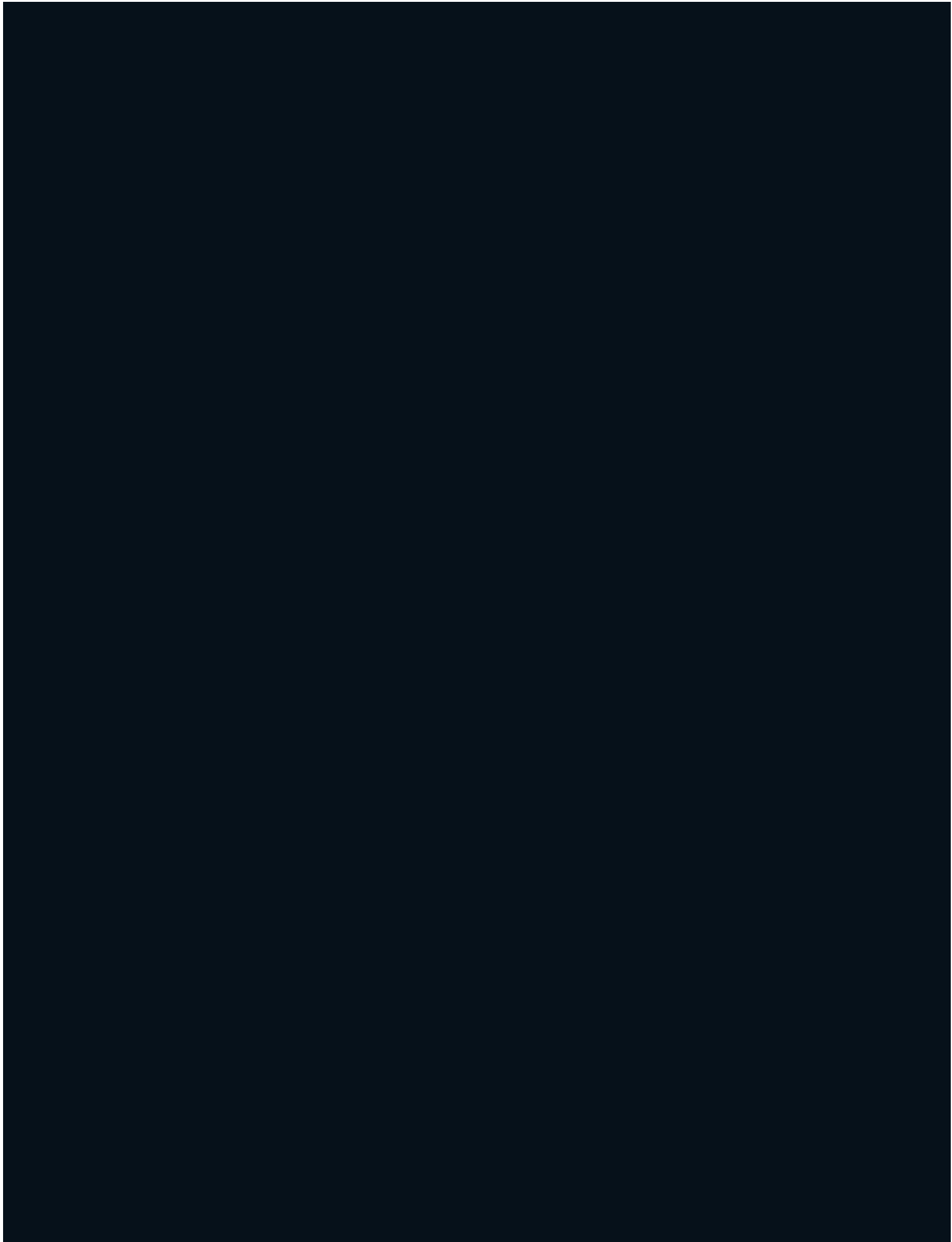




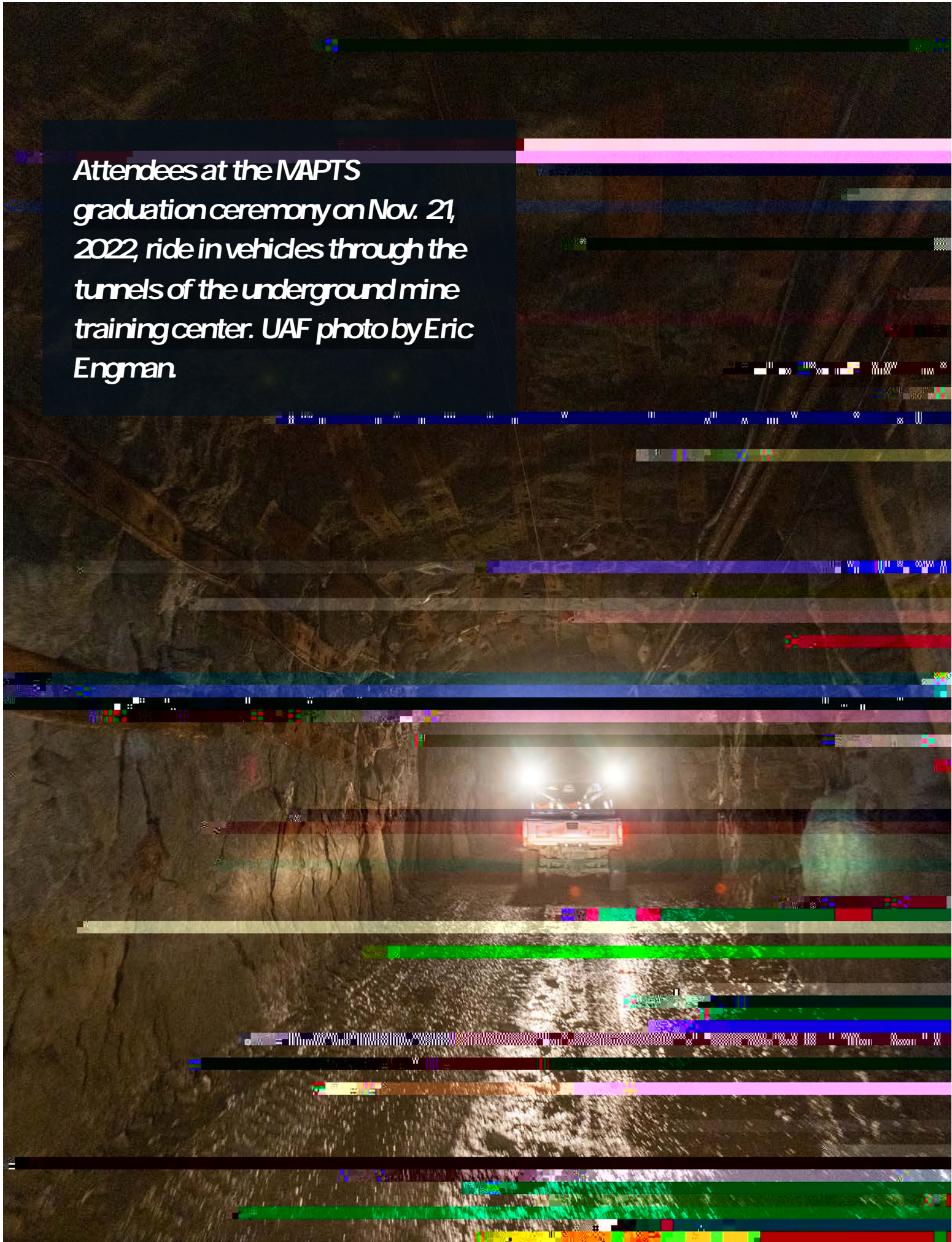
*Mine training coordinator Sam Reves addresses graduates during their ceremony on Nov. 21, 2022
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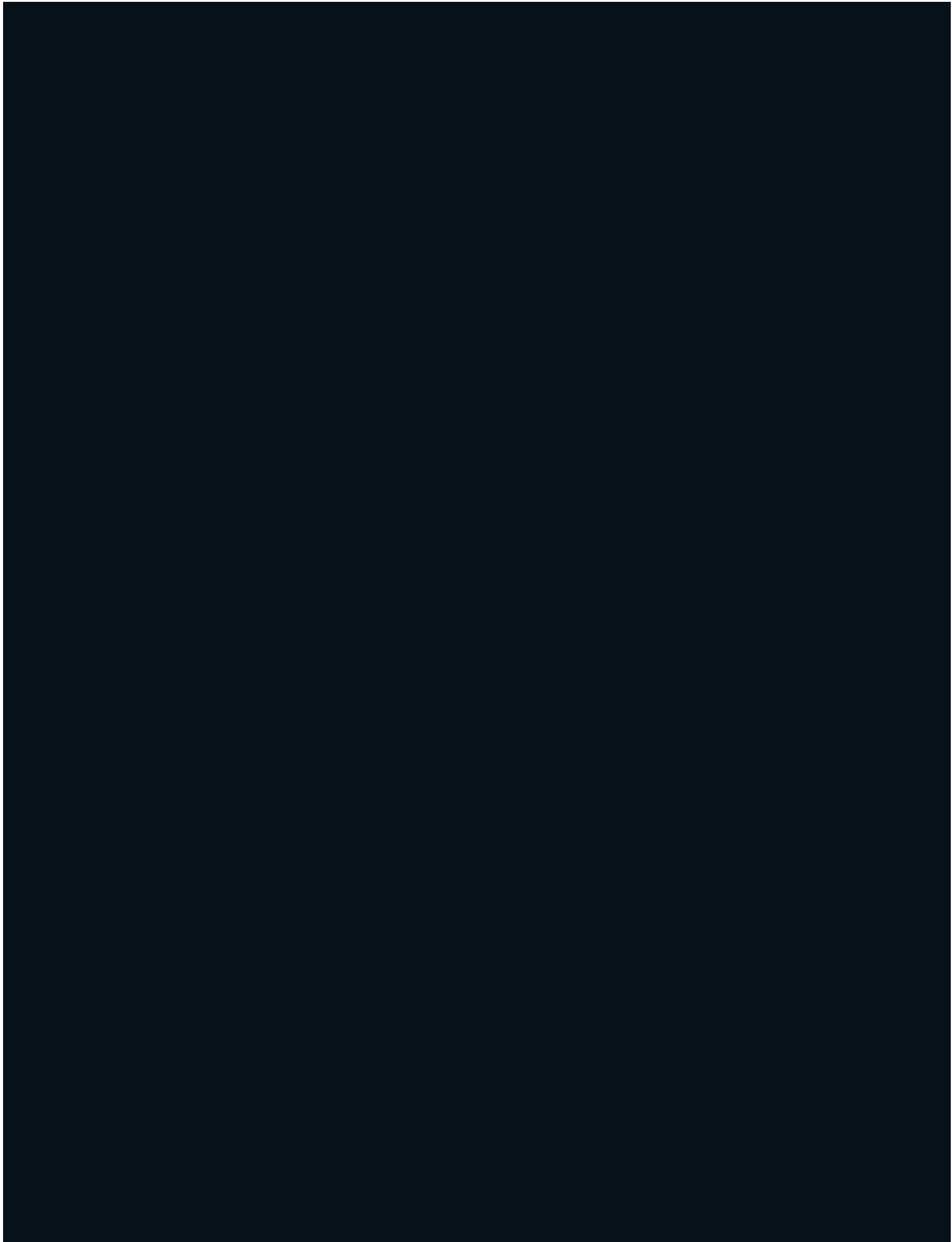


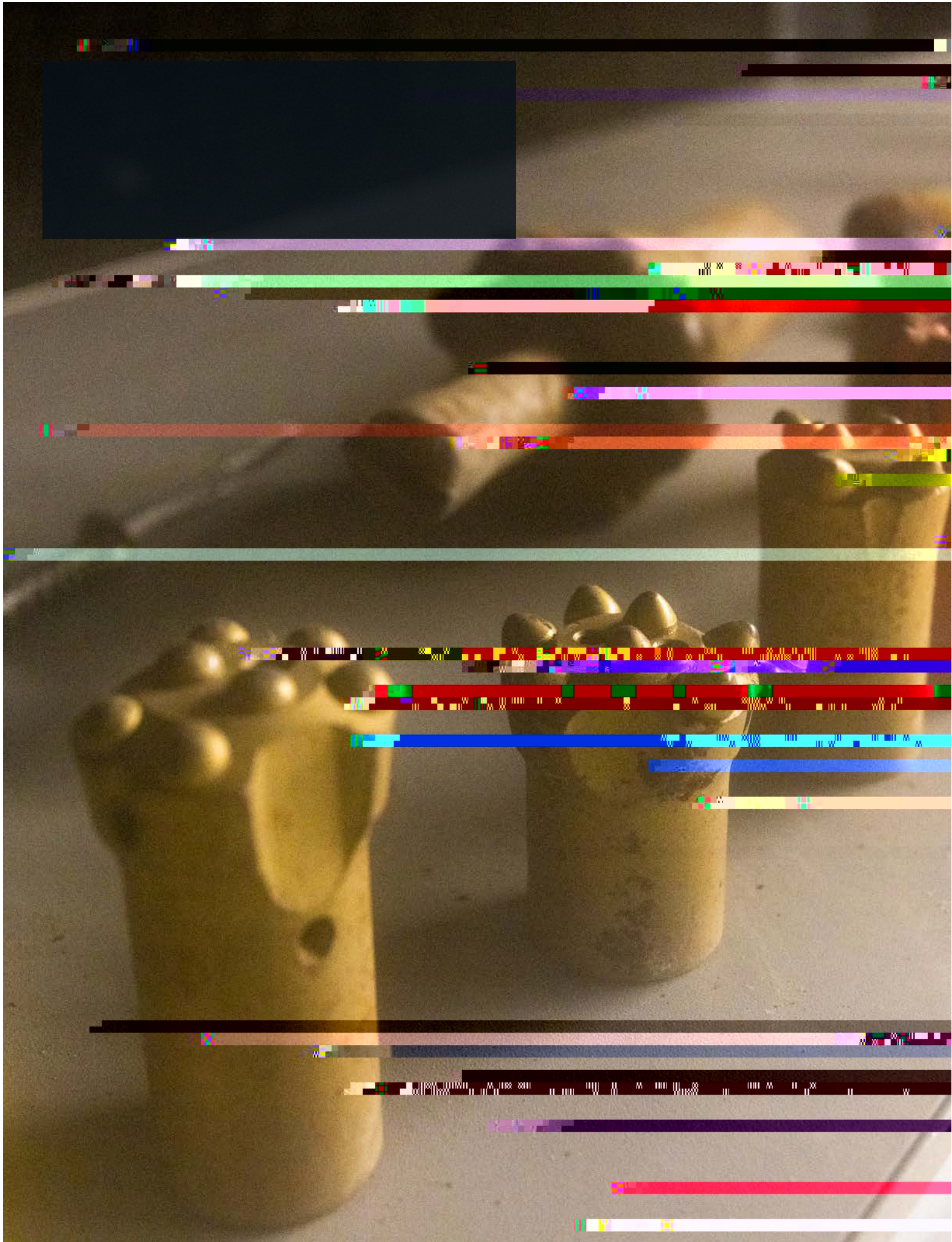


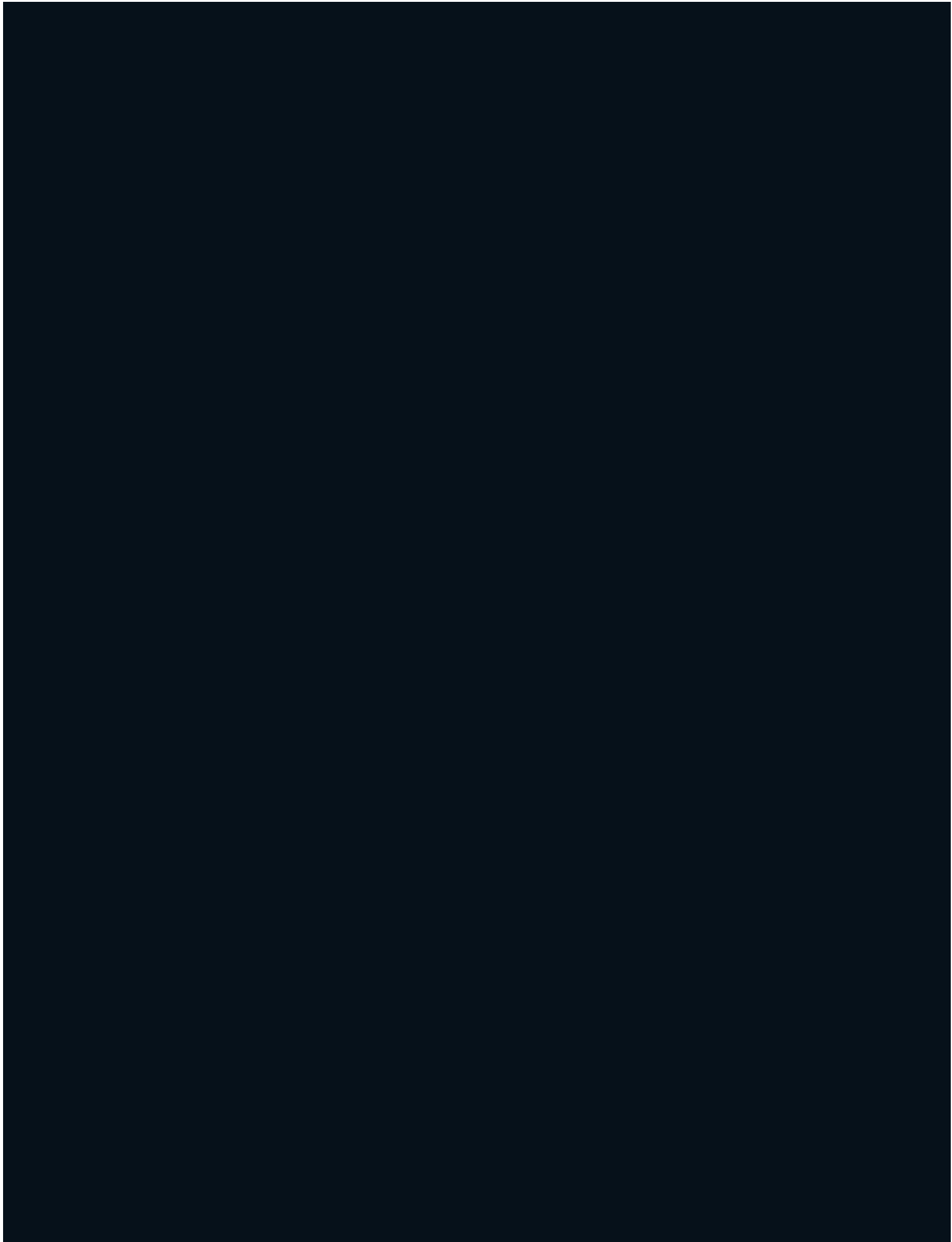


Attendees at the MAPTS graduation ceremony on Nov. 21, 2022, ride in vehicles through the tunnels of the underground mine training center. UAF photo by Eric Engman.









Training instructor Peter Alexie Jr., at left, and training coordinator Sam Reeves, at right, speak during the MPTS graduation in the underground mine training center on Nov. 21, 2022. UAF photos by Eric Engman.

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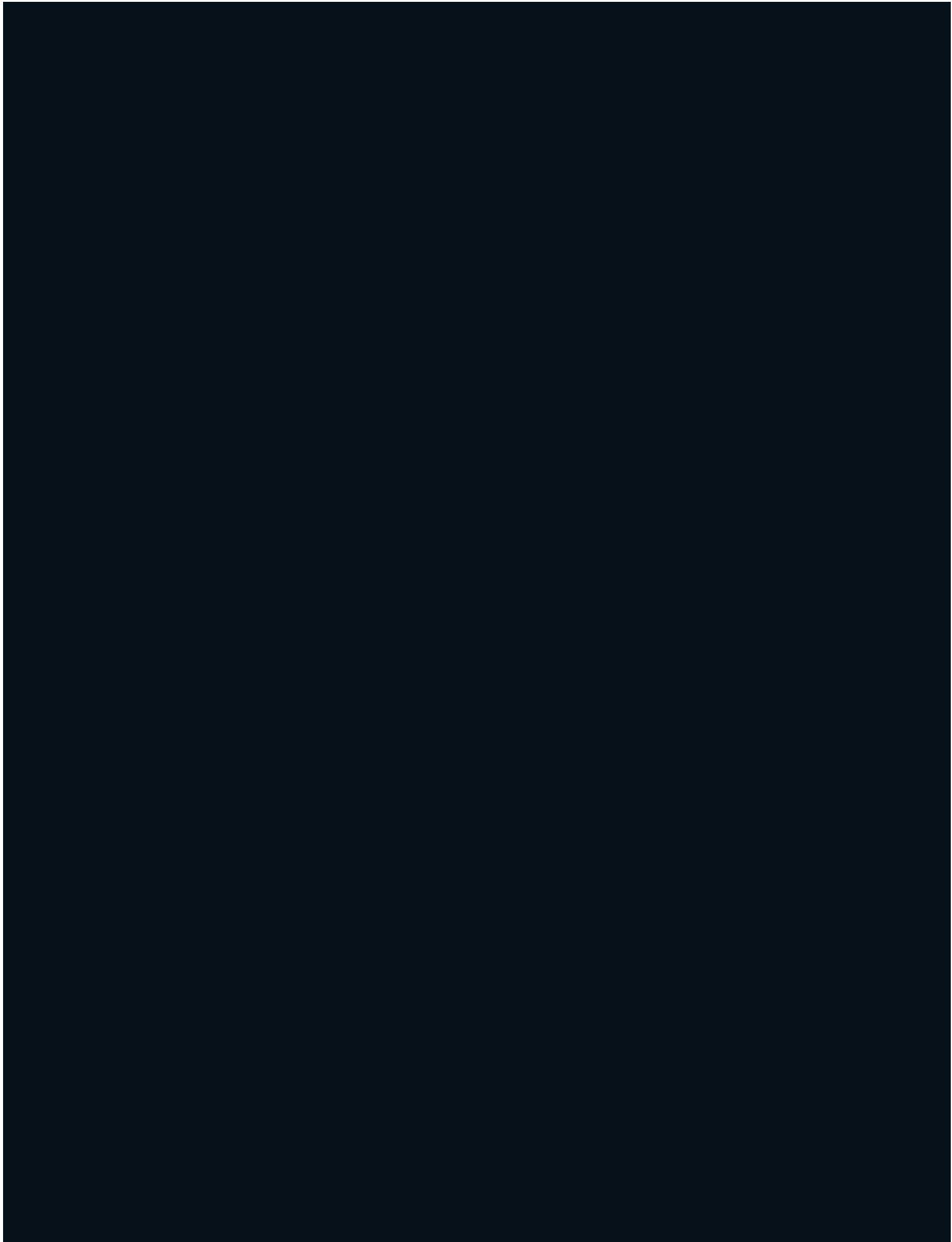
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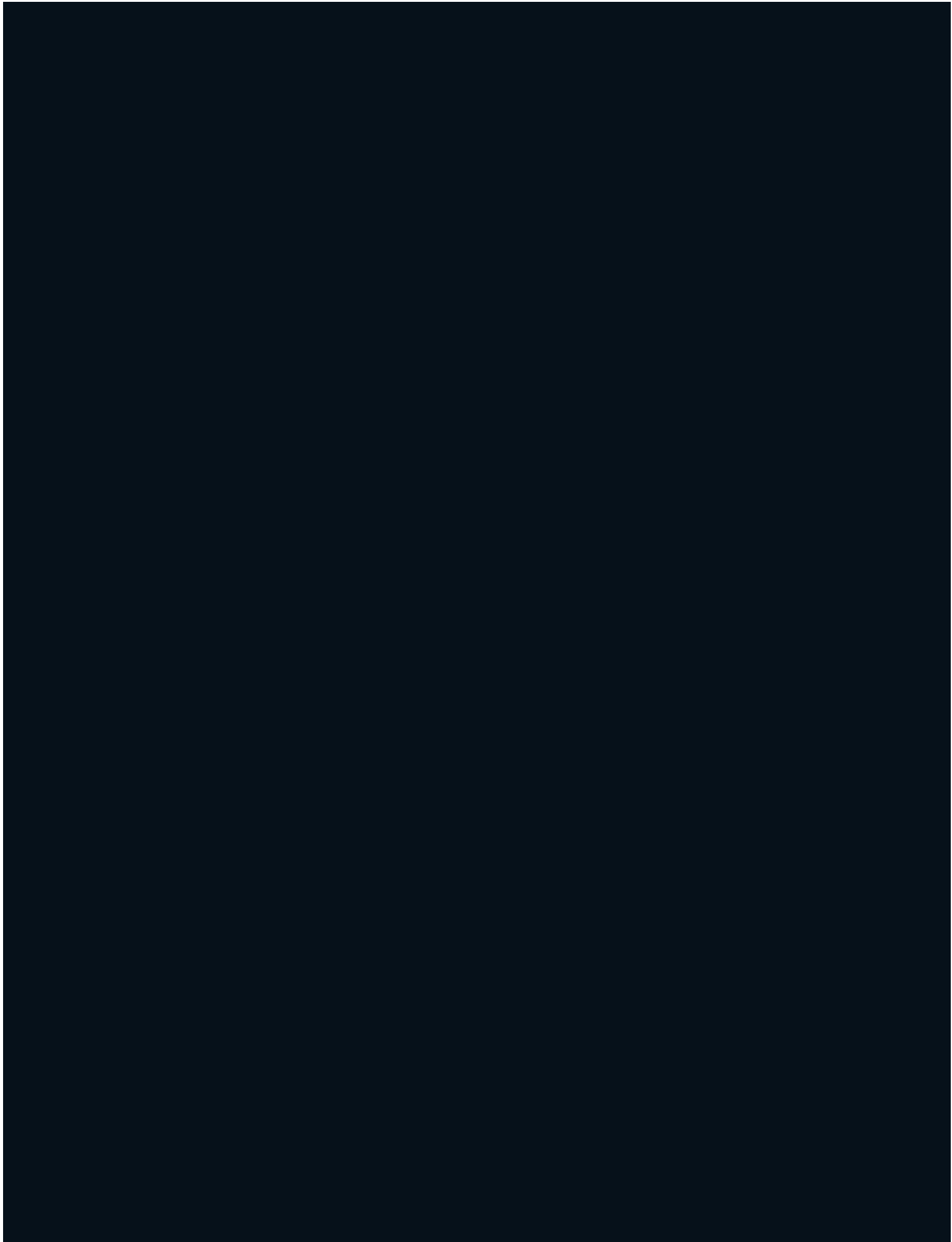
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Graduate Allen Agnes Jr., center, stands with his parents during the MAPTS graduation at the underground mine training center on Nov. 21, 2022 UAF photo by Eric Engman.

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Graduates (back row from left) Sadiq Imam, Allen Agnes Jr., Erik Bach, Will Tagaloa, CJ Skellham and Davin Treas pose with (front row from left) mine training coordinator Sam Reves, mine training instructor Jim Smith, office administrator Shirley McCaa, mine training instructor Peter Alexie Jr. and executive director William Bieber during the MAPTS graduation on Nov. 21, 2022. UAF photo by Eric Engman.



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