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Question applies to multiple boards

Applications are accepted for the calendar year only. The Olympia City Council's General Government Committee recommends appointments to the full Council. Recommendations are made following review of applications and interviews of qualified candidates.

The City of Olympia values participation from all perspectives and life experiences and looks for equity and inclusion in advisory board appointments.

Three absences from meetings in a year may result in removal from an advisory board.

Questions? Contact Susan Grisham, Executive Assistant, 360.753.8244, sgrisham@ci.olympia.wa.us

If you saved or submitted an application and did not receive a confirmation, please check your spam folder.

The City of Olympia is committed to the non-discriminatory treatment of all persons in employment and the delivery of services and resources.

When filed with the City, your application and attachment documents are public records and may be subject to public release.

Retired educator

Occupation

Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Arts Commission: Submitted

Question applies to multiple boards

If you applied for multiple boards or commissions, please rank them in order of interest below.

Select Your Neighborhood (you must live within Olympia City limits to serve on a board or commission) *

Eastside

If you choose "other" please write in your neighborhood here:

Interests & Experiences

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Please keep answers concise and informative. You are introducing yourself to the Olympia City Council and sharing with them why you are interested in being considered for appointment. Olympia residency is not required; however, it is a primary consideration. You may attach a resume.

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1. Briefly describe why you wish to serve on this advisory committee.

I believe that the visual and performing arts are a vital part of the Olympia community. The arts have the power to communicate in a way that no other medium has, and they tap into our best instincts as people. Art can educate, inspire and uplift a community and prompt deeper thoughtfulness and discussion. I want to be a part of developing that in my hometown.

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2. Describe your qualifications and/or skills which would benefit this advisory committee.

I am a recently retired theatre arts educator from the Olympia;ia School District -- I taught theatre for 30 years. I am also the Artistic Director of Creative Theatre Experience, a summer youth arts program that serves more than 200 students ranging from first to eleventh grade. I am a member of the Teaching Artists Training Lab (Seattle Repertory Theatre), the Washington Thespians Hall of Fame, and a 2015 Juilliard School Directing Fellow.

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3. Describe your involvement in the Olympia community.

My community involvement has been primarily through arts organizations and my work in school. I have worked with local theatre groups including Harlequin, Olympia Family Theatre (I served on their Board of Directors for two years) SPSCC and St. Martin's University. I am hoping to become more involved in the Olympia now that I have more time to do so!

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4. List your educational and professional background and area of study.

BFA - Theatre Arts, Pacific Lutheran University MFA, University of Portland BAE, Administration, Pacific Lutheran University 2015 Directing Fellowship, The Juilliard School

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5. Appointment to this committee will require your attendance at evening meetings. How many hours per month are you willing to commit as a volunteer?

Twenty

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6. If you are not appointed to this committee at this time:

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6a. Do you wish to be considered for appointment to another advisory committee?

Yes No

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6b. Do you wish to be considered for future appointment to this committee?

Yes No

Question applies to multiple boards

6c. Would you be willing to volunteer for other City activities?

Yes No

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If you answered yes to 6a, please identify what other Advisory Committees you would be interested in being considered for in order of interest.

Design, Heritage

Question applies to multiple boards

7. Some appointments require that applicants reside within Olympia city limits. Even though your mailing address may be Olympia, you may reside in the County or another jurisdiction. Are you a resident of the City of Olympia?

Yes No

Question applies to multiple boards

8. Citizens appointed to advisory committees are assigned and required to use a City email address for all advisory committee business.

Do you agree to comply with this expectation?

I Agree *

Question applies to multiple boards

9. How did you learn about this advisory committee recruitment?

The Olympian

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Upload a Resume

Question applies to Arts Commission

10. Currently, what is your relationship to the arts in Olympia?

First and foremost, I enjoy experiencing the arts in Olympia -- I regularly attend events including plays, concerts, gallery exhibitions, Artswalk and more. I also direct in various Olympia theatre groups, most recently at St.Martin's University.

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Professional Experience

Theatre Arts teacher Olympia High School, Olympia, WA.
September, 1997 to June, 2018

Teaching theatre classes and directing three main stage plays per season
Advising Thespian Troupe, Pizza Klatch and Student Activist Clubs
Teaching film studies/senior English classes

Artistic Director, Creative Theatre Experience, Olympia, WA
June 2002 to present

Creating and supervising activities for visual and performing arts summer program for youth ages 6-17; supervising staff of 6 adults and 10-12 teen-aged interns

Education

Pacific Lutheran University; BFA Theatre; BA English, 1975
University of Portland; MEd, Theatre Program Leadership 1990
Pacific Lutheran University; MEd, Educational Administration, 1994

Professional Training

The Juilliard School Directing Fellow 2014-present

One of twenty educators selected nationally for fellowship program to study play direction at The Juilliard School summer program.

Seattle Repertory Theatre Teaching Artist Training Lab 2013

Working with other artists in the visual and performing arts to develop teaching strategies for arts education in public and private schools; emphasis on creating diverse and social justice oriented opportunities in the arts for students

Oregon Shakespeare Festival Shakespeare in the Classroom
June, 2012

Training program with Festival artists and dramaturges on strategies for teaching Shakespeare in a classroom setting

References

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(360) 596-7000

Kara Larsen, Board Chairperson
Creative Theatre Experience
PO Box 2192 Olympia, WA 98507
(253) 381-2898

Awards

Washington State Thespians Teacher Hall of Fame induction; 2011
5th Avenue Theatre Awards, Outstanding Overall Musical, 2009
5th Avenue Theatre Awards, Outstanding Overall Musical, 2004
5th Avenue Theatre Awards, Outstanding Direction, 2004

