Friday, October 25, 2024



# City of Olympia Boards and Commissions Committee Application

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No

If you choose other please write in your area:

Spurgeon Creek/Yelm Hwy

Which Boards and Commissions would you like to apply for?

Arts Commission

Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee

Metropolitan Parks District Advisory Board

Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee

Planning Commission

Social Justice and Equity Commission

### If you applied for Multiple Boards and/or Commissions, please rank them in order of interest below:

Planning Commission, Bicycle and Pedestrian, Parks and Rec, Soc Justice, Arts, Metro Parks District

### **Interests & Experiences**

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. You may attach a resume.

#### Briefly describe why you wish to serve on this/these Advisory Committee(s).

Realtor with Abbey Realty for 11 years. RN for 20 years, volunteer with Thurston County Inclusion and Olympia Free Clinic. I like being involved with community and that is why I'm volunteering for this.

# Describe your experience, qualifications, and/or skills which would benefit the advisory committee(s) you are applying to.

Please see above.

#### Share the ways you've been involved or have volunteered in the community.

Please see above. Also volunteered with Barb and Friends for 6 years for thanksgiving and Christmas meals. CFA for 10 years mainly at their auctions. Lastly volunteered heavily at my children's elementary and middle schools for all activities.

#### List your educational and/or professional background and area of study.

RN 20 years .11 years broker at Abbey Realty. Landlord of our own rentals in Thurston County.

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At least ten

Question Applies to the Arts Commission: What art form resonates most with you and why?

Impressionism

Question Applies to the Arts Commission: Describe your own engagement with the Olympia arts community?

Probably not enough

Question Applies to the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee: Describe your participation with walking and biking in Olympia.

Runner for 37 years on roads and trails. Also biker. Lots of experience where you should and should not bike or run.

Question Applies to the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee: Do you have a unique perspective on walking and biking? If so, please explain.

Unique in that I'm a female and distance run so I have to be careful where I am.

Question Applies to the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee: Have you done any other volunteer work in the community? If so, please describe it.

Lots, see above

Question Applies to the Planning Commission: In your own words, describe the role of a Olympia Planning Commissioner?

Planning for the future of Olympia and what best suits the area. When building how to take advantage of the space given while conserving nature and resources.

Question Applies to the Planning Commission: What interests you the most about community planning?

Low income homes, how they will address schools.

Question Applies to the Planning Commission: What skills would you bring to the work of the Planning Commission and what do you hope to learn?

Real estate broker and landlord.

Question Applies to the Planning Commission: Have you ever taken a Short Course in Local Planning, read an Olympia Planning Commission meeting packet or attended a meeting?

I have just been a part of the stop the airport group and attended those meetings.

Question Applies to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee: Describe your interest in and use of parks in Olympia.

I love the parks for what they offer to our community and children specifically.

Question Applies to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee: Please describe your interest in recreation (sports leagues, summer camps, classes or trips) in Olympia.

When my children were growing up we utilized the parks a lot. Very frequently we attended Olympia Parks and Rec camps and classes.

Question Applies to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee: What particular perspectives or skills would you bring to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee?

I really enjoy landscaping. I own 5 acres and take care of that. We also have rentals that we have to take care of and look into the future of what is being built around them.

Question Applies to the Metropolitan Park District Advisory Committee: Describe any experience you have in budgeting, accounting or parks-related finance that may benefit this advisory committee.

We have to budget for our rentals as well as teaching my clients to budget for home ownership.

Question Applies to the Social Justice and Equity Commission: What is your understanding of, or experience in, issues related to social justice, human rights, racial and/or other forms of discrimination?

I volunteered in the schools for many years. Also volunteered with Barb and Friends so we got to see the economic impacts of race. I also volunteer at Olympia Free Clinic and you can see the disparities there as well.

Question Applies to the Social Justice and Equity Commission: What lived experiences or skill sets would you bring to the Commission?

Landlord, parent, friend and volunteer.

Question Applies to the Social Justice and Equity Commission: Describe a time when you experienced a personal bias and how you worked through that bias; or describe a time when you worked with someone with different viewpoints than yours and how you worked through those differences?

Its on a daily basis now due to the presidential race. Polite but keep your ethics and morals there.

Question Applies to the Social Justice and Equity Commission: Describe what a "just and equitable Olympia for all people" looks or feels like to you and how would you include all marginalized people into this vision.

People would get the mental health care they need.

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Yes

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Southeast

### If you applied for Multiple Boards and/or Commissions, please rank them in order of interest below:

- 1. Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee
- 2. Utility Advisory Committee

### Interests & Experiences

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#### Attach a Resume



### Briefly describe why you wish to serve on this/these Advisory Committee(s).

I moved to Olympia recently, and I am interested in engaging with other civic minded people in the community toward a public good. My professional background is in program administration of public parks and utilities, and I believe my skills are best matched with one of these two committees.

## Describe your experience, qualifications, and/or skills which would benefit the advisory committee(s) you are applying to.

My professional experience is in project management and program management related to public real estate. Currently I manage land for King County Parks, and previously I managed acquisition and right of way for Portland Water Bureau.

My qualifications are from my professional experience and familiarity with a variety of issues and priorities public agencies manage to provide service.

My skills include project management, program management, problem solving, public budgets, and collaboration.

#### Share the ways you've been involved or have volunteered in the community.

This would be my first experience volunteering in this community.

### List your educational and/or professional background and area of study.

In addition to my professional background described above, I hold Master of Public Administration and Bachelor of Psychology degrees.

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15-20

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#### **WORK HISTORY & RESPONSIBILITIES**

#### King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks (DNRP)

Land Management Supervisor (Program/Project Manager IV) February 2022 – Present

- Administer DNRP's Land Management Unit, which manages real estate related to 200 individual parks, regional trails, and open spaces, comprising more than 30,000 acres of land in all.
- Supervise five technical staff in permitting, property management, and customer service roles.
- Communicate program information to diverse internal and external stakeholders and the public.
- Develop strategies and recommendations to solve real estate problems and avoid risks.
- Center equity and other core County values in land management programming decisions.

#### **City of Portland Water Bureau**

Special Projects Property Manager (Analyst III) December 2019 – February 2022

- Lead real estate staff and consultants performing analysis for regulatory compliance projects.
- Analyze and recommend property alternatives related to utility infrastructure improvements.
- Develop and implement property acquisition plans, including scopes, schedules, and budgets.
- Review engineering plans, surveys, appraisals, deeds, and easements to make program decisions.
- Present to Portland City Council to request authorization and funds for property acquisition.

#### **City of Portland Water Bureau**

Right of Way Supervisor (Coordinator III) May 2014 – December 2019

- Oversee Bureau property acquisition and easement management programs.
- Supervise technical staff managing property management and acquisition projects.
- Interpret and apply codes, statutes, and regulations to complex real estate projects.
- Advise leaders regarding property acquisition, management, and surplus property disposition.
- Support City Attorney's Office with eminent domain acquisition processes.

#### **City of Portland Water Bureau**

Right of Way Agent (Right of Way Agent III) June 2006 - May 2014

- Manage property acquisition projects, including developing scopes, schedules, and budgets.
- Negotiate with property owners to acquire property and easements for utility projects.
- Evaluate petitions to use City property for special uses such as access and construction.
- Monitor easements and permits for compliance with contraction terms and obligations.
- Identify and mitigate (or permit) encroachments on municipal property and easements.



### **CORE COMPETENCIES**

- Program Management
- Supervision and Coaching
- Project Management
- Property Acquisition
- Property Management

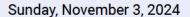
- Real Estate Law
- Real Estate Analysis
- Process Improvement
- Public Engagement
- Problem Solving

### **EDUCATION**

Portland State University – Master of Public Administration Portland, Oregon

University of Seoul - Public Policy Case Study Program Seoul, South Korea

Washington University in St. Louis – Bachelor of Science in Psychology St. Louis, Missouri





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Name		

No

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Other

If you choose other please write in your area:

Lacey, WA

Which Boards and Commissions would you like to apply for?

Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee

### **Interests & Experiences**

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### Briefly describe why you wish to serve on this/these Advisory Committee(s).

I am interested in serving the community through supporting access to nature for all through an equity-based approach. I would like to engage at the community level because I truly value the role of our parks in providing equitable access to nature and play for all who live, work, and play in the area. I would like to be more engaged at the local level, and this seems like a wonderful opportunity to connect with new people, hear new perspectives, and become a more active participant in the community. It would be an honor to serve the advisory committee.

## Describe your experience, qualifications, and/or skills which would benefit the advisory committee(s) you are applying to.

My particular skills connect to place-based education, building tribal sovereignty awareness and understanding, and improving environmental literacy - the ability to engage in personal and collective decisions that improve sustainability for all people, especially those most impacted by environmental impacts and climate change.

#### Share the ways you've been involved or have volunteered in the community.

I primarily volunteer as the co-chair for the board of E3 Washington, a statewide professional association for environmental and sustainability education. I have served on the board since 2019 and am in my second year as co-chair.

My statewide obligations have limited my time and ability to serve at the local level.

### List your educational and/or professional background and area of study.

I have a bachelor of science in Geography from the University of Oregon, with a minor in environmental studies. I have a Master of Science in Geoscience from Western Kentucky University. I have a permaculture certificate from the Occidental Arts and Ecology Center.

My professional background centers on connecting children to nature through educational settings. I have served in AmeriCorps, taught at outdoor school in Oregon and California, and taught about air quality,

sustainability, the environment and for two decades. I am a skilled program and contract administrator.

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20 hours (up to 5 hours per week) seems about right, but I can be flexible to meet the needs of the committee.

Question Applies to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee: Describe your interest in and use of parks in Olympia.

I regularly visit Squaxin Park, downtown parks, the waterfront, I participated in the public comment period for the renaming of Squaxin Park.

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I'm interested in supporting summer camps, classes, and trips in any way that I can.

Question Applies to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee: What particular perspectives or skills would you bring to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee?

I bring a background of environmental and sustainability education experience, program administration experience, grant application review and support, research experience, encouraging public input in public processes and strategic plan design. Recent public input projects include designing and publishing the Washington Environmental and Sustainability Literacy Plan, and soliciting participation in developing a professional learning and career pathway for environmental and sustainability education professionals. I manage grants, contracts, and advisory committees. I have worked with partners in migrant and multilingual education, tribes, native education, special education, and more to support an inclusive approach to getting kids and adults outside.

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appointment to another Board or
Commission?

Yes

Do you wish to be considered for future appointment to your preferred Board or Commission?

Yes

If you wish to be considered for another Board or Commission, please identify others you would be interested on being considered for in order of interest:

Cultural Access Advisory Board Social Justice and Equity Commission

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Education

2010 MS Geoscience

1998 BS Geography, Minor Environmental Studies Western Kentucky University, Bowling Green, KY University of Oregon, Eugene, OR

Relevant Work Experience

January 2019 – Present

Olympia, Washington

#### Environmental and Sustainability Education Program Supervisor

Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction

- Lead internal and external colleagues in collaborative strategic planning, policy development, and implementation of statewide programs including the Washington Environmental and Sustainability Literacy Plan, Washington Green Ribbon Schools Program, and educator workshops related to the implementation of the Environmental and Sustainability Education K-12 Learning Standards, Next Generation Science Standards, and standards integration. Manage the program budget.
- Manage multiple contracts and contract types simultaneously. Support state contracts and grants of up to \$10,000,000. Conduct site visits, manage applications, budgets, reports, contract development, closing, and contractor evaluation.
- Serve on the board of directors for E3 Washington, a statewide nonprofit organization (2019, Co-chair 1/2023 Present).

#### September 2018 – January 2019

Lacey. Washington

**Paraeducator** 

Olympic View Elementary School

- · Small group instruction with Reading LAP program students in grades K-5. Used curriculum to improve student reading fluency and comprehension. Collaborated with peers to continuously improve program implementation.
- Ensured student safety. During recess, supported student social skills and led students in games.

#### March 2017 - December 2018

Portland, Oregon

Executive Director

Sauvie Island Center

- Managed operations and \$165,000 budget. Supervised four employees. Oversaw the management of volunteer-led programs. Wrote grant proposals and reports, tracked metrics, and implemented grant projects.
- · Implemented the organization's strategic plan with the support of staff, board members, volunteers, and donors.
- Documented and shared agency stories. Supported internal and external communications.
- Developed partnerships with other non-profits, government agencies, and schools.

### September 2010 - October 2016

Frankfort, Kentucky

#### Executive Director

Kentucky Environmental Education Council

- Managed agency operations and \$250,000 budget. Supervised two employees. Wrote grant proposals and reports, tracked metrics, and implemented grant projects. Distributed statewide grants.
- · Administered Kentucky's Professional Environmental Educator Certification and the Kentucky Green and Healthy Schools programs, spearheaded Kentucky's implementation of the US Department of Education Green Ribbon Schools program.
- Developed and taught professional development workshops for educators. Presented at conferences.
- · Tracked local, state, and national environmental and sustainability education policies. Completed strategic planning with internal and external stakeholders, held public meetings, and coordinated engagement efforts.

#### **July 2009 – September 2010**

Internal Policy Analyst III

Frankfort, Kentucky

Kentucky Division for Air Quality

- Determined agency or cabinet implications of statutes, regulations, and policy. Assisted in the formulation of agency policies. Formed partnerships with other programs and agencies.
- Assisted in budget preparation, implementation, analysis, monitoring, and evaluation.
- · Reviewed grant applications, state plans, and federal contracts for agency management of programs; provided functional supervision in implementing agency and cabinet programs.

### **September 2004 - July 2009**

Frankfort, Kentucky

**Environmental Education Specialist** 

Kentucky Division for Air Quality

- Provided functional supervision in implementing agency and cabinet programs, including the "Clean Air for Kentucky" environmental education program. Developed air quality curricula; helped teachers integrate curriculum in school programs.
- · Organized and delivered a variety of presentations several times monthly. Drafted brochures, press releases, web content, presentations, and DAQ's Annual Report.
- Oversaw a budget of \$75,000. Assisted in budget preparation, implementation, analysis, and monitoring.

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Eastside

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Arts Commission

Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee

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parks and rec is #1

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we recently bought. a house here an my 3 little kids will be growing up here

Describe your experience, qualifications, and/or skills which would benefit the advisory committee(s) you are applying to.

i have a long resume in the tennis industry, that allows me to see the best way to deal with adversity

Share the ways you've been involved or have volunteered in the community.

i have done community outreach and fundraising while the head coach of Hunter College.

List your educational and/or professional background and area of study.

tennis industry soc/criminology BA

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10

Question Applies to the Arts Commission: What art form resonates most with you and why?

Dali, respectful graffiti

## Question Applies to the Arts Commission: Describe your own engagement with the Olympia arts community?

arts walk.

Question Applies to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee: Describe your interest in and use of parks in Olympia.

i have 3 small children, and we are now homeowners, we are raising our children here and want the best facilities that the city can offer.

Question Applies to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee: Please describe your interest in recreation (sports leagues, summer camps, classes or trips) in Olympia.

High interest, i've done summer camps my entire life, and have made a career out of it.

Question Applies to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee: What particular perspectives or skills would you bring to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee?

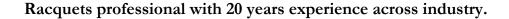
I have 25years of work experience in the racquets industry. I have made numerous connections in various industries, where i can use what ives learned from diverse individuals who play tennis.

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Experience

Steamboat Tennis and Athletic Club Director of Tennis 2021-present

The Heights Casino (Brooklyn) Head Professional, 2013-2021

Buck Hill Falls Tennis Club (Poconos, PA) Interim Director of Tennis, June-October 2020

Liveball @ Vanderbilt Tennis Club (NYC) Founder, 2009-present

**CUNY Hunter College (NYC)** Head Coach Men's Tennis, 2009-2016

 City University of New York Conference Coach of the Year 2009 & 2016; overall record 83-39

### Roosevelt Island Racquet Club (NYC)

Tennis Professional / Junior Development Program, 2007-2013

Tennis Club in Grand Central Terminal (NYC) Head Professional, 2007-2009

Randi Mani Tennis Academy, Tennisport (NYC) High Performance Tournament Coach, 2003-2007

Education

### The University of Montana

B.A. in Sociology/Criminology 2001; Varsity Tennis 1997-2001

Attributes

• Teaching philosophy: relationship-building and a sense of humor

- USPTA certified since 2010; pickleball certified 2020
- OPEN level player (2017 Fort Greene Open Doubles Champion)
- CPR/AED certified

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No

If you choose other please write in your area:

**Urban Growth Area** 

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Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee

Planning Commission

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- 2 Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee

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#### Briefly describe why you wish to serve on this/these Advisory Committee(s).

Olympia is definitely the best place I've ever lived. These last seven years have only increased my love for this area. Volunteering in the region is a wonderful experience, but I feel that with my background I should be doing more for Olympia and it's community.

## Describe your experience, qualifications, and/or skills which would benefit the advisory committee(s) you are applying to.

I believe my background in law, especially government law will not only help me understand the requirements of serving on an advisory committee, but will make it easier to navigate the applicable rules and ordinances

### Share the ways you've been involved or have volunteered in the community.

Since moving here I've volunteered with the City's Parks and Rec and with Olympia Ecosystems, a local nonprofit. Please see resume for further details.

#### List your educational and/or professional background and area of study.

I've received degrees in the areas of Law, Business Management, and Veterinary Medicine. My most recent professional experience before retiring was as an attorney for the state of California. Please see resume for further details.

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As many as is necessary, I am retired.

## Question Applies to the Planning Commission: In your own words, describe the role of a Olympia Planning Commissioner?

A planning commission advises the city council on the areas of growth and development of a city. This advisory body is essential to assure that a city grows in a manner that preserves it's community well-being and vitality.

### Question Applies to the Planning Commission: What interests you the most about community planning?

The opportunity to help the city of Olympia maintain it's individuality while allowing the community to grow in a healthy and balanced manner.

## Question Applies to the Planning Commission: What skills would you bring to the work of the Planning Commission and what do you hope to learn?

My experience with working in a governmental office has given me an understanding of how to interpret and work within laws and regulations. Working with other organizations, both private and public, and with the public has given me skills in the field of negotiations (parties might need to compromise at times for goals to be accomplished).

## Question Applies to the Planning Commission: Have you ever taken a Short Course in Local Planning, read an Olympia Planning Commission meeting packet or attended a meeting?

I have attended one meeting by zoom.

### Question Applies to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee: Describe your interest in and use of parks in Olympia.

Olympia has a phenomenal number of parks for a city. Considering this large number, it is commendable how they are maintained in such good condition. I constantly take my pup to different parks in this city! It is sometimes hard to choose where to go!

## Question Applies to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee: Please describe your interest in recreation (sports leagues, summer camps, classes or trips) in Olympia.

I think it is very important to have pockets of nature within a city. It gives the community an opportunity to enjoy trees, trails, etc. whether it is to play a sport, walk the dog or just sit on a bench and enjoy the natural beauty. This is essential for the mental and physical health of a community.

## Question Applies to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee: What particular perspectives or skills would you bring to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee?

I've been volunteering with the Parks and Recs as a steward for over a year now and have a growing understanding of the challenges that exist in the maintenance and restoration of the many parks in our city.

### If you are not appointed to a Board or Commission at this time:

Do you wish to be considered for appointment to another Board or	No
Commission?	
Do you wish to be considered for future appointment to your preferred	Yes
Roard or Commission?	

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### Inactive Member of State Bar of California – Bar Number 236324 Member of American Bar Association

#### Education

University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law
Sacramento, California
Juris Doctor

California State University, School of Business Administration
Sacramento, California
Master of Business Administration

Universidade Federal Rural do Rio de Janeiro
Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
Doctor of Veterinary Medicine

#### Languages

**English - Fluent** Written and spoken

Portuguese - Fluent Written and spoken

Spanish - Conversant Written and spoken

French = Conversant
Written and spoken

Sacramento, California Circuit Prosecutor

City of Olympia Parks and Recreation

#### **Experience**

Olympia, Washington
Restoration Steward – volunteer

Olympia Ecosystems
Olympia, Washington
Volunteer

Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment
California Environmental Protection Agency
Sacramento, California
Staff Counsel

California District Attorneys Association

April 2018 - present
October 2007 - retired 2017

March 2006 – October 2007

September 2023 – present

### San Joaquin County District Attorney Stockton, California

March 2005 – August 2005

Legal Intern

Sacramento County District Attorney Sacramento, California

January 2004 - May 2004

Intern. Certified Law Student

Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment Sacramento, California

January 2004 - May 2004

Legal Intern

University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law Sacramento, California

May 2002 - January 2004

Research Assistant - Prof. Stephen C. McCaffrey

Solano County District Attorney
Consumer & Environmental Protection Unit
Fairfield, California
Summer Law Clerk

June - July 2002

**Veterinary Genetics Laboratory, University of California** February 1992 - August 2001 *Davis, California* 

Staff Research Associate II

- Organize and direct Red Cell Section staff in performing the daily tests.
- Supervise student workers.
- Setup and run laboratory tests.
- Maintain inventory, coordinate staff schedules, and direct repairs of laboratory equipment.

### Large Animal ICU, Texas A & M University College Station, Texas

June 1991 - January 1992

Veterinary Technician

- Place nasogastric tubing and catheters.
- Prepare animals for surgery.
- Provide post-operative care, neonatal care, and other duties in a 24-hour Intensive Care Unit.

### Department of Physiology and Pharmacology, Texas A &M University 1990-1991 College Station, Texas

**Teaching Assistant** 

- Assist in research and design of equipment and software for laboratory experiments in equine laminitis.
- Prepare materials for classes.

### Thomas Montello Clinic, Brazilian Equestrian Club *Rio de Janeiro, Brazil*

**Doctor of Veterinary Medicine** 

Ambulatory bandaging and administration of medications to approximately 150 animals.

1986

- Provide guidance, teaching, and safety of students seeing practice at the clinic.
- Assistance in diagnosis, radiographs, oxygen therapy, etc.

### **Professional Education**

Advanced Topics in Environmental Enforcement	June 2007
Evidence	May, 2007
CDAA/CHMIA Conference	March, 2007
New Prosecutors Seminar	February, 2007
Basic Asset Forfeiture Course	January, 2007
Protecting California Waters	September, 2006
Advanced Topics in Environmental Enforcement	June, 2006
Agricultural Waste Seminar	April, 2006

Monday, December 9, 2024



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Name	

No

Select your residential area (Olympia residency is not required; however, it is a primary consideration.)

Other

If you choose other please write in your area:

Thurston County/Rochester

Which Boards and Commissions would you like to apply for?

Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee

### Interests & Experiences

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. You may attach a resume.

Attach a Resume



### Briefly describe why you wish to serve on this/these Advisory Committee(s).

I am passionate about parks and open space throughout Thurston County. I feel my experience both with Olympia Parks, but also in the field of engineering, project planning, and construction would be an asset to this committee.

## Describe your experience, qualifications, and/or skills which would benefit the advisory committee(s) you are applying to.

As a former City of Olympia employee, I'm very familiar with the goals and challenges of most departments at the City. My past experience in planning, designing, and delivering quality capital projects for the Parks Department may be a benefit to the committee and the long range goals for the Department.

#### Share the ways you've been involved or have volunteered in the community.

I am not currently part of any volunteer groups. I have provided public comments on planning or capital projects in Thurston County and Olympia. My past employment at Centralia College included student career advising and outreach for prospective engineering students. Those populations were mostly worker retraining and disadvantaged students.

#### List your educational and/or professional background and area of study.

I have a bachelor of science degree in Civil Engineering and a GIS certificate. I am a licensed professional engineer and operate an engineering company in Washington state. I was also a tenured professor of civil engineering at Centralia College prior to my employment by the City of Olympia.

Appointment to an advisory committee will require your attendance at evening meetings, and undertake other work (reading, meeting preparation etc.). How many hours per month are you willing to commit as a volunteer?

## Question Applies to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee: Describe your interest in and use of parks in Olympia.

I am intimately familiar with the parks and attractions in Olympia, having worked in the Parks department for 7 years. Part of my role was asset management and condition rating for the Capital Asset Management Program for the department. Having inspected all the parks and the assets over that time, I am quite familiar with the needs and deficiencies in the existing system. I also understand the goals of the department, OMPD, and parks plan.

## Question Applies to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee: Please describe your interest in recreation (sports leagues, summer camps, classes or trips) in Olympia.

I am interested in the current capacity of existing sports fields and facilities for, and what the future expansion needs are for the City and the service area for those fields.

### Question Applies to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee: What particular perspectives or skills would you bring to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee?

As mentioned previously, I served as senior engineer for the Parks department for several years. I understand the challenges and constraints of the system, but I also have perspective of being outside the City now. The Olympia Parks system is used by residents within the City limits, but it is most definitely an attraction for all of Thurston County. I can provide the "out of town" perspective as someone who still uses Olympia parks even though I live 20 miles away.

### If you are not appointed to a Board or Commission at this time:

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Comm	ission?	•			
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No

Do you wish to be considered for future appointment to your preferred Board or Commission?

Yes

# Thank you for your interest in serving on a City of Olympia Advisory Committee!

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Education

Washington State University Bachelor of Science - Civil Engineering

Degree Awarded: May 1999

Course Emphasis: Structural & Geotechnical Engineering

University of Washington Geographic Information Systems (GIS)

Professional Certificate Awarded: June 2014

Registration

Professional Engineer Washington State License #40392

License Issued: January 2004

**Professional Memberships** 

Washington Recreation & Park Association (WRPA)
American Public Works Association (APWA) Expired
American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) Expired

#### **Experience**

10/2024 – Present Lund Northwest Inc.

Rochester, WA

#### Principal Engineer / Owner

- Responsible for all company operations and providing professional services on public and private development projects.
- Professional services include licensed professional civil engineering, land planning, project management, and construction administration.

## 3/2017 – Present City of Olympia Parks, Arts, & Recreation Olympia, WA Senior Engineer – Park Planning and Design

- Responsible for managing the design and construction of all capital and major maintenance projects for the Olympia Parks department
- Supervision of engineering and project management staff, including other licensed engineers
- Capital project management tasks including
  - o Preparation and review of all design plans, contract documents, and reports (PS&E)
  - Construction management, including all project contract administration, bidding and public works contracting, construction inspections, contractor coordination, and records management
  - o Professional services/consultant selection through RFP/RFQ
  - Coordination between various City and public stakeholder groups
  - Permitting with City, State, and Federal agencies
  - Grant writing experience with multiple awards from Washington State Department of Ecology and Washington State Recreation & Conservation Office
- Developed the in-house design and project development capability of the department
- Created the engineering design and drafting standards for the department

- Administration of the department's Capital Asset Management Program (CAMP), asset inspection and condition rating, asset management/work order software implementation, and forecasting of major maintenance projects for the City of Olympia Capital Facilities Plan to address \$9.6M of deferred maintenance.
- Administration of the department's \$3.2M ADA Transition Plan to remove barriers to accessibility in Olympia Parks
- Condition assessment and inspection of the Percival Landing waterfront park and docks, including project planning and maintenance forecasting
- Coordination of environmental cleanup efforts at multiple city-owned park properties
- Provide technical support and direction to Maintenance and Operations staff for park assets and repairs including marine waterfront parks and docks, multiple water recreation facilities/splash pads, sports fields, public use buildings, and City owned infrastructure

### 1/2015 – 3/2017 City of Olympia Public Works

Olympia, WA

#### Water Resources Engineer – Storm and Surface Water Utility

- Responsible for providing the technical guidance and direction to the Storm & Surface Water
  utility, including stormwater utility capital projects and budgets, stormwater operations and
  maintenance support, and utility asset management
- Administration of the City's stormwater manual and code during regulatory review of private engineering permit applications with the City of Olympia Community Planning & Development department
- Significant development of low impact development code and co-author of the City's 2016 stormwater manual to comply with Ecology's Phase II Municipal Stormwater Permit

#### 9/2007 – 12/2014 Centralia College

Centralia, WA

**Faculty, Associate Professor** – Tenure granted Spring 2010

Program Chair - Civil Engineering Technology

Division Co-Chair for Professional/Workforce Programs

Washington State Professional/Technical/Vocational Educator Certified

Centralia College Foundation, Exceptional Faculty Award – 2011

National Institute for Staff and Organizational Development, Excellence Award – 2012

- Instruction and curriculum development of courses in Civil Engineering Technology (CET) including hydraulics/fluid mechanics, statics & strength of materials, construction materials and practices, soil mechanics and testing, hydrology & stormwater management, environmental technology & wastewater treatment, highway & traffic engineering, land planning, and computer aided design and drafting
- Served as primary contact for the CET program advisory committee, program marketing, and student outreach and retention

11/2005 - 1/2011	Delta Land Design, Inc.	Tumwater, WA
8/2003 – 2/2006	RB Engineering, Inc.	Chehalis, WA
6/2001 – 8/2003	SCA Consulting Group	Lacey, WA
10/2000 – 6/2001	DCI Engineers	Bellevue, WA
1/2000 – 10/2000	Lochsa Engineering	Las Vegas, NV
5/1997 – 11/1999	Washington State Department of Transportation	Tumwater, WA

#### **Professional References**

**Engineering Manager** 

**LOTT Wastewater Treatment Plant** 

**Deputy Director** 

Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors

Professional contact for over 19 years

Formerly City Surveyor for City of Olympia Public Works

Water Resources Director (retired)

City of Olympia Public Works

Former supervisor at Olympia Public Works

Parks, Arts, & Recreation Director

Olympia Parks, Arts, and Recreation

Director of Parks Planning & Maintenance

Olympia Parks, Arts, and Recreation

Dean of Workforce and Continuing Education (retired)

Centralia College

Former supervisor at Centralia College

Contractor/Project Manager

**Berschauer Construction** 

Contractor on multiple City of Olympia Parks projects

Assistant Vice President - Marine Division

WSP, Inc.

Consultant contracted by the City for Percival Landing major maintenance

Principal/Owner

Schinnell Surveying

Tuesday, October 22, 2024



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Yes

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Westside

Which Boards and Commissions would you like to apply for?

Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee

Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee

Planning Commission

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- 1 Planning
- 2 Parks & Rec
- 3 Bicvcle & Pedestrian

### Interests & Experiences

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Attach a Resume



NonProfit Resume\_NOV 24.pdf

### Briefly describe why you wish to serve on this/these Advisory Committee(s).

I am a recent graduate and a recent transplant to the Olympia area, and I see this advisory position as an opportunity to get to understand both the real-life workings of the municipal process, as well as the local community through service.

### Describe your experience, qualifications, and/or skills which would benefit the advisory committee(s) you are applying to.

As a recent graduate, my previous experience has been primarily within academia. My education exploring the intersections of environment and culture—of space and place—has equipped me with the ability to critically assess various types of information and communicate complex ideas clearly and effectively. Plans and procedures dictate what needs to or could happen, and the community decides how this can be achieved together. My anthropological training allows me to work interculturally with understanding and empathy for historical and contemporary contexts and prioritizing the sovereignty and decision-making capacities of various communities. My experience allows me to communicate across scientific environmentalisms and everyday feelings of space and place, across both evidence-based and spiritual understandings of the earth, and across various economic, biological, and cultural valuations of nature. These skills equip me to effectively navigate the complexities of localized community needs to work toward both cultural and ecological sustainability.

### Share the ways you've been involved or have volunteered in the community.

I moved to Olympia a few months ago, and I have been on the job search since I recently graduated, so I have not quite had the opportunity to fully immerse myself in Olympic life quite yet. I have attended a recent townhall regarding the Climate & Resiliency chapter of the comprehensive plan update because I am passionate about urban sustainability, but it seemed too far along to take on new volunteers. In Dallas, I regularly volunteered for a local non-profit which has screened queer films monthly for the past decade, and collaborated with others to plan one-off queer social events for the local community.

### List your educational and/or professional background and area of study.

Applied Environmental Anthropology focus on urban anthropology

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20-25, depending on the flow.

### Question Applies to the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee: Describe your participation with walking and biking in Olympia.

As I have not owned a vehicle since I have moved to Olympia--but I do own a bike--my primary means of transportation when I am traveling alone have been biking, walking, and busing. Since I am still fairly new to Olympia, I am still learning the local systems and customs. For example, Dallas's bus system is not free, requires a cell-phone and app-download, and is often quite unreliable. Thus, I was apprehensive to learn about and try the bus system here, despite not owning a car; I was pleasantly surprised, however, when the information was manageable, the buses were reliable, and the system was free and accessible! Biking has been touch and go, depending on where in Olympia I am trying to get through, and I am still learning new resources as time goes on.

### Question Applies to the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee: Do you have a unique perspective on walking and biking? If so, please explain.

I like to be efficient when getting to the place I am trying to go, and to have fun on my way back, especially since I am still unfamiliar with the city. I feel a little too pressured to be punctual on the journey to a destination, but much more at ease and free on the way home. I know this is a privilege, as others may have responsibilities that must get home to, but I enjoy taking a different route or feeling my body push through a different area. I am by NO means an avid biker, and I am not used to Olympia's hills yet, but this is a small pleasure.

### Question Applies to the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee: Have you done any other volunteer work in the community? If so, please describe it.

I would refer back to the above question regarding volunteer work in the community. However, regarding transportation more specifically, I have not had the opportunity to engage in any local social or advocacy bicycling/pedestrian affinity groups.

### Question Applies to the Planning Commission: In your own words, describe the role of a Olympia Planning Commissioner?

The commissioner acts as a liaison between the local communities and the City Council and staff. As an applied anthropologist, I have ethnographic experience to facilitate intercultural collaboration with local communities, understand their worldview, ethics, and vision for the future, and to responsibly and respectfully represent their view to a larger audience.

## Question Applies to the Planning Commission: What interests you the most about community planning?

I am very passionate about creating systems which are both environmentally and culturally sustainable. Many processes only prioritize one of these, for example offsetting ecological burdens on distant or marginalized peoples. And the spaces we build last a very long time, so it is important we get it as close to correct the first time by not only envisioning as far into the future as imaginable, but also by considering the most diverse and nuanced visions of that future.

### Question Applies to the Planning Commission: What skills would you bring to the work of the Planning Commission and what do you hope to learn?

I would bring a radical compassion and respect for difference, an ability to listen, and a new set of eyes, as a recent transplant. As I mentioned before, I would hope to learn the nuanced the municipal planning, state and local statute, and the needs and desires of the people who live here.

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I recently read through the "Olympia 2045: Comprehensive Plan Update" website to learn how I could get involved and attended the Climate Action & Resilience townhall. I was glad to see this process was almost complete, but was also sad I had missed half the initiatives I was passionate about by the time I had moved here, and those still ongoing seemed to be in the final stages themselves. I have not had the opportunity to access the other resources as of yet.

## Question Applies to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee: Describe your interest in and use of parks in Olympia.

My partner and I have a tradition of hiking every Sunday, which we started in Dallas a couple years ago. Obviously we miss some weekends here and there, but we were amazed by the difference in urban parks when we moved to the Olympia. Beyond that, state and national parks were much more prolific and accessible in the PNW because the culture valued them, and this seems to be the key to maintaining community relationships with the land.

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I recently joined Oly PAR's volleyball league! I played volleyball for years in Dallas and took a year off to move to Olympia. I felt that year off in my body and I felt isolated from the community. Playing again allowed me to feel the joy and playfulness of the sport, but also valued and connected on a team, and powerful in my own body. And I didn't know how much I missed that until I was able to access it again through PAR.

## Question Applies to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee: What particular perspectives or skills would you bring to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee?

My most recent work was with a queer, ecospiritual community in Dallas and Austin. They taught me the necessity of urban green spaces, not just for relaxation and socializing, but also to connect with their spirituality. And spirituality is often left out of conversations of the use-values of public spaces, especially spaces thought to be playful and irreverent. However, different cultures value and use urban spaces quite differently, and having these conversations ensures their diverse needs are met. My ethnographic training allows me to work interculturally to understand their beliefs and desires regarding nature and wilderness, social behaviors & shared spaces.

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No

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N/A

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A mixed-methods social science researcher who desires spaces and systems which are socially and ecologically sustainable and who will work to create them.

### ACADEMIC HISTORY

University of North Texas M.S. Applied Anthropology May 2024

Ball State University B.A. Biomedical Anthropology July 2018

#### TRANSFERABLE SKILLS

Cultural Advocacy & Facilitation Fostering Collaborative Engagement Program Development & Evaluation **Identifying Cultural Themes** Social Science Communication **Building Trust** Culturally-Sustainable Planning Cultural Valuation & Ethics Storytelling Mixed-Methods Research Interviewing & Focus Groups Literature Reviews Community Needs Assessment Developing & Adapting Surveys Consensus Analysis Data Visualization

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

University of North Texas

2019 - 2024

Instructional Assistance -- Dept of Anthropology

Facilitated communication between students, professors, and departmental administration through emails and course announcements for six courses over thirteen semesters

**Conferred** with students to provide clarification, break down difficult concepts, and to address student concerns regarding course content, grading policies, and expectations

Perot Museum of Nature & Science 2019 - 2020

Research Assistant -- Evaluation

**Examined** perceptions of authenticity and indigeneity through the collection of tablet surveys, hours of participant observation, conducting interviews of key stakeholders, and a focus group of visiting scholars

**Interpreted** results and reported findings to museum leadership as contracted evaluation consultant

Ball State University

Summer 2018

Sponsored Projects Intern

**Created** research profiles for hundreds of professors and researchers, utilizing databases to match individual research interests to funding opportunities

**Designed** university-official website and marketing materials to provide resources targeted toward social science researchers for grant acquisition and management

### RESEARCH PROJECTS

Radically Queer Space & Time:
Urban Radical Faerie Placemaking in Central TX
Primary Student Researcher | University of North Texas
January 2021-March 2024

Student Perceptions of Collegiate Sleep Behaviors Research Team Member | University of North Texas August - December 2019

Maternal Health & Opioid Use, Delaware Co, IN Research Assistant | Ball State University

July - December 2018

Queer Health in Central Indiana
Primary Student Researcher | Ball State University
April - December 2018

Sunday, November 17, 2024



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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

Select your residential area (Olympia residency is not required; however, it is a primary consideration.)

Westside

Which Boards and Commissions would you like to apply for?

Arts Commission

Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee

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Planning Commission

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- 2 Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee
- 3 Arts Commission

### Interests & Experiences

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#### Briefly describe why you wish to serve on this/these Advisory Committee(s).

Highly motivated to help our city grow and develop in ways that are both sustainable and beneficial to our community. This includes long term thinking, planning for resilience and welcoming diversity.

### Describe your experience, qualifications, and/or skills which would benefit the advisory committee(s) you are applying to.

Industry trained planning professional with Artisans Group, a local sustainable architecture and planning firm. I have firsthand experience working with Permit Authorities on successful residential, mixed-use and commercial projects ranging from low-income housing to highly custom sustainable buildings.

Additionally, I'm also a former freelance artist and stay-at-home parent of two nearly adult teens raised in Olympia.

I'm invested in our community and have a proven track record for breaking down challenging topics and working together with groups to effectively communicate the ideas.

#### Share the ways you've been involved or have volunteered in the community.

- Youth Soccer Coach, 2017-2020,
- Aikidoka and Sensei at Aikido Olympia, 2011 2017,
- Volunteer Olympia Coop, 2008-2015,

- Volunteer Editor and Writer at Olyblog.net, 2006-2008,

#### List your educational and/or professional background and area of study.

Boston College, English and Philosophy, South Puget Sound Community College, Architectural Drafting, Artisans Group Architecture and Planning, Project Manager & Director of Planning, The Princeton Review, LSAT prep teacher and staff trainer.

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I'm able to commit up to 20 hours per month.

#### Question Applies to the Arts Commission: What art form resonates most with you and why?

I realize this doesn't directly answer your question, but: collaborative multi-disciplinary.

I love the alchemy of bringing together different perspectives and skill sets with a shared goal of creative expression. As a former practicing poet and photographer, working with other artists in different disciplines was vivifying.

### Question Applies to the Arts Commission: Describe your own engagement with the Olympia arts community?

From 2006-2008, developed OlyBlog.net as a significant resource for local arts publicity and awareness. Developed daily engagement from 30 unique visitors per day to more than 4,500 unique visitors per day.

2009, Olympia "Here Today" arts grant recipient.

2009, Timberland Regional Library Edgar Allen Poe-try Slam Winner

2010-2012, Taught performance poetry workshops to students at NOVA and Olympia Regional Learning Academy.

### Question Applies to the Planning Commission: In your own words, describe the role of a Olympia Planning Commissioner?

Planning Commission members review current and proposed Planning information (e.g. Comprehensive Plan, Development Code, Shoreline Master Program, etc.) provided by City staff and hired consultants and analyze that information in order to develop Commission recommendations to the City Council.

Fundamentally, to my mind this means Planning Commissioners should commit to thoroughly studying and analyzing the information provided with an eye toward how it can benefit or harm Olympia, then work with each other to communicate perspectives and opinions about that analysis in order to develop shared findings to the City Council.

Planning Commission group meetings are public and it's my understanding that Commission communications are subject to public disclosure requests. As such, it is critical to be prepared, professional and respectful.

## Question Applies to the Planning Commission: What interests you the most about community planning?

I love Olympia and would like to see us continue to more fully embrace our status as both the State Capital and an amazing waterfront community within close proximity to extensive outdoor activities.

Community planning is the recognition that hope and wishful thinking do not make for good strategy and the skills I've developed in the building industry over the last five years would be a valuable addition to our community's efforts to grow in a sustainable, resilient and diverse fashion.

### Question Applies to the Planning Commission: What skills would you bring to the work of the Planning Commission and what do you hope to learn?

My experience working with Permitting Authorities and helping my clients navigate challenging site development considerations in order to develop within Code constraints is of value to the Planning Commission. The skills required for this include Code analysis, problem solving, communication, cooperation and constructively managing disagreements.

I am thoroughly excited to learn more about Olympia Codes and Plans from a future forward perspective instead of on a project-by-project and site-by-site basis.

### Question Applies to the Planning Commission: Have you ever taken a Short Course in Local Planning, read an Olympia Planning Commission meeting packet or attended a meeting?

I have attended meetings and read meeting packets. I have never taken a short course in local planning.

### Question Applies to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee: Describe your interest in and use of parks in Olympia.

I think Olympia's parks are the City's handshake with both our community and our visitors. My family uses our parks at least once a week, and often far more often than that for recreational purposes and I've regularly used them as settings for my photography.

I'm very interested in further developing our waterfront park(s) in order to increase equitable water access and making Olympia even more popular as a tourist destination.

### Question Applies to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee: Please describe your interest in recreation (sports leagues, summer camps, classes or trips) in Olympia.

I play adult recreational soccer, and both of my kids grew up participating in numerous City of Olympia camps. I believe increased community involvement typically starts with things that are enjoyable, and the City's Parks and Recreation efforts are key to that effort.

## Question Applies to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee: What particular perspectives or skills would you bring to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee?

As a stay-at-home parent in Olympia for almost ten years, I made extensive use of the City's parks and recreational offerings for my family. Those experiences provide me a significant insight into what works well, what can work better, and what isn't working for Olympia's families.

As a planning professional for a local architecture firm, we consider the utility, sustainability and aesthetics of the built environment for our clients. I would bring these skills to any work with the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee.

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No

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Yes

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#### **EDUCATION**

#### Boston College, Chestnut Hill, MA

1995 - 1999

Philosophy English

#### South Puget Sound Community College, Olympia, WA

2016 - 2017

Drafting, Architecture

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

#### Artisans Group Architecture & Planning, Tumwater, WA

2018 - Present

Project Manager, Director of Planning

- Developed Planning department and standards.
- Residential and Commercial site specific Zoning Code analysis on projects throughout Pacific NW.
- Work with Permitting Authorities on challenging site developments involving Variances, Critical Areas, Reasonable Use Exceptions and non-standard interpretations of Code.
- Manage permit submissions for projects ranging from low-income housing, through sustainable nontraditional custom homes, multi-family, mixed-use and commercial.

1999 - 2016 Freelance Artist

Performance poetry, Photography

- Published in "The Universal Principles of Design," Concrete International, Curbed Seattle, KUOW.org, CleanTechnica, <u>Destination Guides</u> - Seattle, The Architectural Site, 360Photography, Intermedia Arts, King County Library System, SeattleMagazine.com, The ECO Report, Lifehacker.com, California Office of Historic Preservation and more.
- Awarded 2009 City of Olympia "Here Today" arts grant.
- Competed in and won poetry slams in Boston, San Diego and Seattle.
- Work shown at Salk Institute and Museum of Modern Art.

#### Princeton Review, Seattle, WA & Minneapolis, MN

2001 - 2006

Master Teacher, Trainer and Tutor

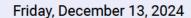
- Taught test taking skills for the Law School Admissions Test (LSAT)
- Analyzed and interpreted data to assist with improved outcomes.
- Trained new teachers.

#### APPLICABLE SKILLS

Zoning Code Familiarity: Industry trained Planner with practical hands-on approach to problem solving. Particularly interested in sustainable site development with long term community benefits.

Group Communication: Team player with demonstrated history of fostering coordination between disparate parties.

Analysis: Odd collection of creative arts, data analysis and practical Planning skill development cumulatively leads to an ability to challenge assumptions and develop new insights.





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Yes

Select your residential area (Olympia residency is not required; however, it is a primary consideration.)

Westside

Which Boards and Commissions would you like to apply for?

Arts Commission

Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee

**Planning Commission** 

### If you applied for Multiple Boards and/or Commissions, please rank them in order of interest below:

Planning Commission
Arts Commission
Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee

### Interests & Experiences

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Attach a Resume



#### Briefly describe why you wish to serve on this/these Advisory Committee(s).

Serving my community to strengthen, preserve, and improve public services is important to me. I am interested in promoting a community that is creative, active, and engaged. The three committees I am applying to all play a role in fostering this kind of a community through how our city is designed and built, the support of our arts community, and providing the community with quality public spaces to gather.

## Describe your experience, qualifications, and/or skills which would benefit the advisory committee(s) you are applying to.

I am a very organized and committed person. I have served on a number of boards and councils throughout my life. Many of these positions have been with arts organizations and I have worked to help promote their vision and community outreach.

I have served in leadership positions in my neighborhood associations both here in Olympia and during my time in Kansas City. This role has required me to be aware of upcoming development projects and how to best advocate for my neighborhood's interests in these projects.

#### Share the ways you've been involved or have volunteered in the community.

I have been co-president of my neighborhood association Northwest Olympia Neighborhood Association (NWONA) for the past two years and will continue to serve in a leadership role. I am active with our school's PTA. I am a member of several arts organizations that provide free or donation-based art

performances in the community.

#### List your educational and/or professional background and area of study.

BA Psychology BFA Dance with emphasis in Modern Dance Minor in Women and Gender Studies MA in Counseling and Guidance

Former Licensed Professional Counselor and Licensed Addiction Counselor in the state of Kansas Owner of Thrive Pilates & Movement Studio in Kansas City and Olympia Artist in the mediums of dance and public installation work

# Appointment to an advisory committee will require your attendance at evening meetings, and undertake other work (reading, meeting preparation etc.). How many hours per month are you willing to commit as a volunteer?

40 hours per month

#### Question Applies to the Arts Commission: What art form resonates most with you and why?

I also have a BFA in Modern Dance. Dance resonates with me the most because it incorporates so many forms of art and as a dancer I have always enjoyed embodying other art forms such as music or paintings. There is also an inherent and immediate interaction between the artist and the audience with dance as opposed to other art forms.

## Question Applies to the Arts Commission: Describe your own engagement with the Olympia arts community?

I have danced with and choreographed for Random Acts of Dance Collective (RADCO). I currently sing with the Treble Voices for Peace Choir. My family participated in the Procession of the Species parade in 2024. As co-president of the Northwest Olympia Neighborhood Association, we have applied for several grants from the city to install artwork in our neighborhood pocket park. We've attend several Arts Walk weekends downtown. I also have my kids enrolled in several art programs around the city.

### Question Applies to the Planning Commission: In your own words, describe the role of a Olympia Planning Commissioner?

The role of a commissioner is to provide a citizen perspective for the city council and city employees so the city can get a more well-rounded perspective on development projects and their impact and benefit for the community.

### Question Applies to the Planning Commission: What interests you the most about community planning?

Promoting development that centers on people and prioritizing their health and wellbeing. I am particularly interested in long range planning and proposed developments that are seeking exceptions from existing city plans or code requirements.

### Question Applies to the Planning Commission: What skills would you bring to the work of the Planning Commission and what do you hope to learn?

As a leader in my neighborhood, I am very aware of what the needs and concerns are for my neighborhood with future development projects. I enjoy talking with and receiving feedback from others. I am solutions-focused person and enjoy thinking creatively to find a way for the needs of all parties to be met.

I am eager to become more familiar with proposed developments and long range planning in Olympia. Through my involvement with my neighborhood association, I plan on providing regular updates of what's occurring with the Planning Commission to my neighborhood through our email newsletter.

## Question Applies to the Planning Commission: Have you ever taken a Short Course in Local Planning, read an Olympia Planning Commission meeting packet or attended a meeting?

I have not taken a Short Course in Local Planning, but I did do several trainings for neighborhood community leaders in Kansas City that were geared towards understanding planning and development

practices. As co-president of my neighborhood association (NWONA), I have read through several meeting packets to look for items that are directly relevant to our neighborhood. I have attended a Planning Commission meeting in Olympia. I also attended many Planning Commission and City Council meetings in Kansas City when I resided there.

## Question Applies to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee: Describe your interest in and use of parks in Olympia.

As a mother of three young boys, our family's use of local parks is frequent. Visiting playgrounds is an important part of our weekly routine, especially with splash pads in the summer. We have several trails in our neighborhood maintained by parks and recreation that we utilize regularly and find to be a valuable asset for us and our neighbors.

### Question Applies to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee: Please describe your interest in recreation (sports leagues, summer camps, classes or trips) in Olympia.

Our boys have enrolled in several Parks and Recreation classes and camps. We also take advantage of the adult sports leagues. These programs provide a fantastic opportunity both for personal growth and engagement with our community.

## Question Applies to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee: What particular perspectives or skills would you bring to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee?

My background in counseling and Pilates gives me a unique perspective on what motivates people to move their bodies and try new things. As a neighborhood leader, I have an understanding of what my neighborhood's needs and wishes are. As a mom of three young boys, I get a front row seat to how playground equipment is utilized for their enjoyment.

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#### Education

M.A., Counseling and Guidance, Mental Health Emphasis, University of Missouri-Kansas City, 2012 B.F.A., Dance, University of Missouri-Kansas City, 2009

B.A., Psychology, Minor in Women and Gender Studies, University of Missouri-Kansas City, 2009

#### Work Experience

- Thrive Pilates & Movement Studio, Kansas City Missouri, Owner, September 2015- present
- Healthtrack Wellness Program, Saint Luke's Health System, Kansas City, Missouri Fitness Instructor, 2011-2017

#### Volunteer

- Modernists Board for the National WWI Museum and Memorial, Special Events 2016- 2017
- Kansas City Ballet Board Member, 2019-2020
- BARRE KC for Kansas City Ballet, Marketing Chair 2015-2016, Vice President 2017-2018, President 2019-2020
- Nelson-Atkins Young Friends of Art Board, Marketing Chair, Programing Chair 2014 2017
- Nelson-Atkins Friends of Art Board, Marketing Chair 2017 2020
- Greater Kansas City Women's Political Caucus 2019 -2022, Events Coordinator 2020 2022
- Westside Neighborhood Association in Kansas City, MO, Secretary 2019 2020, Vice President 2020-2022
- Northwest Olympia Neighborhood Association, board member 2022, Co-President 2022 2024, Secretary 2025
- Garfield Elementary PTA, 2023 present

#### **Installation Work**

#### Art on the Line, 2017

KC Faces: Then & Now: photo installation similar to a lenticular, highlighting past and present figures in Kansas City related to KC arts and culture, development of concept and director of project Art on the Line, 2016

Life Turning, lateral zoetrope on Main St. to be viewed by passengers on the Kansas City streetcar, main artist, development of concept and director of project

#### <u>Grants</u>

#### Arts KC Inspiration Grant Recipient 2017

Downtown Replay performance in the Kansas City Fringe Festival

#### **Professional Fitness Training**

- Certified Women's Health and Fitness Specialist and faculty instructor for The Center for Women's Fitness
- · Pilates mat and equipment certification through Team Pilates, PMA certified
- Registered Yoga Teacher 200 hour, Yoga Alliance

#### Performance and Choreography Background

Random Acts of Dance Collective, 2024 - present

Dancer, choreographer

Treble Voices for Peace, 2024 - present

Vocalist

Kansas City Fringe Fesitval, 2017

Downtown Replay, 45 minute stage performance, producer, choreographer

Asheville Fringe Festival, 2017

Downtown Replay, 20 minute stage performance, choreographer

Art in the Park, 2016

Downtown Replay, director and choreographer

**Electronic Music Midwest MiniFest, 2016** 

Downtown Replay (Staged Version 1), choreographer

Art in the Loop, 2015

Downtown Replay, director and choreographer

Kacico Dance, 2014 - 2015

Dancer, choreographer

Stems: A Garden Soiree, 2014

Fairy, crowd entertainment, dance, act, socialize

Paint the Night 2014, Rhythmic Flames

Crowd entertainment, dance, Chinese dragon, dance with fire

Tuesday, December 3, 2024



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Southeast

Which Boards and Commissions would you like to apply for?

Heritage Commission

Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee

Planning Commission

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My top choice is the planning commission and my second choice is parks and rec and my third choice is the heritage commission.

### **Interests & Experiences**

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#### Briefly describe why you wish to serve on this/these Advisory Committee(s).

I am looking to be more active in the community and would like to offer my time to help shape our future through long term planning, preservation and our community programs.

## Describe your experience, qualifications, and/or skills which would benefit the advisory committee(s) you are applying to.

My interest in the planning commission comes from carreer path in the building industry. I work for a builder/developer and I believe my knowledge and perspective could benefit long range planning as my insights as someone impacted by long range planning would be a unique perspective as someone in the building/construction industry.

My interest in preservation is purely an interest I have in history and I have no professional or personal experience, just interest.

My interest in parks and rec is derived from participation in some of the programs, for example I played in the softball league this year. Also i have 3 small children, ages 1, 3 and 5 and we love going to parks! I would like to help the parks and rec department by providing my perspective as a community member that participates with some of those programs.

#### Share the ways you've been involved or have volunteered in the community.

I have not had a lot of involvement in volunteering for the community. I would really like to be more involved and perhaps if anyone reads this and tells me where I can look to find those volunteer opportunities I would appreciate it. My only real participation I have is use of the public parks and programs such as softball leagues.

#### List your educational and/or professional background and area of study.

I have a B/S in construction management and a 2 year business degree from Eastern Washington University. I have been working for Rob Rice Homes for about 12 years and I am planning starting my own business in the next 5 years to develope property and build new homes for our community.

# Appointment to an advisory committee will require your attendance at evening meetings, and undertake other work (reading, meeting preparation etc.). How many hours per month are you willing to commit as a volunteer?

I could do more if needed, but I would like to do 15-20 hours a month.

## Question Applies to the Heritage Commission: Why do you think Olympia's historic places are important?

I think preservation of historical places is not only important educationally for future generations to see what was here before them, but also it is just cool to have those places/areas/things for future generations to use/see/learn things from those that occupied these places before they were here.

### Question Applies to the Heritage Commission: What is your experience working with the history or preservation of build or cultural heritage?

I do not have experience. I am just interested in history in general.

### Question Applies to the Planning Commission: In your own words, describe the role of a Olympia Planning Commissioner?

Advisory role to help guide the development path of the city Olympia by giving guidance/advice on rules and regulations that affect how the city operates and also how it moves forward.

## Question Applies to the Planning Commission: What interests you the most about community planning?

I would like to be involved in decisions that are made that affect how the city moves forward. Working in the building industry gives me a view of how things operate from an angle that not everyone experiences so I would like to volunteer my time to help council/board in making decisions. Long range planning has an affect on everybody and I think my advice might be unique and add a lot to the conversation.

### Question Applies to the Planning Commission: What skills would you bring to the work of the Planning Commission and what do you hope to learn?

My skills are simply the industry I work in. I am familiar with land use for example. I am not an engineer, but I work along side engineers regularly as we developed properties into communities for new homeowners.

## Question Applies to the Planning Commission: Have you ever taken a Short Course in Local Planning, read an Olympia Planning Commission meeting packet or attended a meeting?

I have not, but I do serve on the Olympia Master Builders board that meets with Lacey, Tumwater and Thurston county members that are working on long range planning, but that is where my direct experience works. I do not have a formal education or training in long range planning.

### Question Applies to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee: Describe your interest in and use of parks in Olympia.

My interest is simple, I participate in some programs such as softball, and my family gets a lot of use out of the parks. As my kids get older they will start using some of the sports programs as well as other events/programs that are offered and I would like to help in guiding what programs are out there for our community.

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I personally like to participate, but more long term my kids are going to participate in many programs. We are always signing our kids up for anything we can find for them.

## Question Applies to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee: What particular perspectives or skills would you bring to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee?

I don't have any pertinent skills that would be specific to the parks and rec department, but my perspective as a someone with a family that uses the programs and facilities would be useful as I have personal experience as well as a familys' experience of those programs/facilities.

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Other

If you choose other please write in your area:

Lilly Rd and Martin Way area near St. Peter Hospital

Which Boards and Commissions would you like to apply for?

Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee

Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee

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- 1. Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee
- 2. Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee

### **Interests & Experiences**

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#### Briefly describe why you wish to serve on this/these Advisory Committee(s).

Recreation and ease of/access to movement are key attributes that make a city 'a nice place to live'. There are many critical needs such as affordable housing, access to services, etc, that make it possible to live in a place, but to love a place people need to be able to interact with their city, enrich themselves in their city, and find community in their city. The Recreation committee and the Bicycle and Pedestrian committee address needs that help people find joy in their home, and I'm interested in helping with that.

### Describe your experience, qualifications, and/or skills which would benefit the advisory committee(s) you are applying to.

I have served as a volunteer in Yellowstone National Park, I worked as a lead on an excursion train providing historical information and themed programming, at the Oregon Zoo as admissions and Lorikeet Aviary staff, and worked for six years as a senior library assistant in Beaverton, Oregon. I'm skilled with public engagement, informal education practices, de-escalation, customer service principles, and navigation of rules of public spaces. What all of these roles share in common is deep experience in what enriches a community and how people respond when enrichment is accessible and meaningful to them. My positions in the library and zoo had a deep focus on equity and accessibility and I feel I could bring valuable perspectives and experience with public service to City of Olympia advisory committees. Currently I work as Contracts and Grants Specialist with the Washington State Dept. of Ecology and spend my time carefully adhering to and educating staff and the public on RCW requirements. Both my Beaverton and State of Washington roles have given me ample experience on understanding and communicating city

and state law.

On the administrative side of things, I'm skilled with MS Office applications, Google suite, multiple email platforms and web browsers, formal correspondence, data verification and analysis, and project management.

#### Share the ways you've been involved or have volunteered in the community.

In summer 2023 I was an Olympia/Lacey Centennial Station volunteer. Aside from that I've given to many food drives, prioritized local businesses in my personal economics, and donated to local non-profits.

#### List your educational and/or professional background and area of study.

I earned a bachelor's degree in General Studies: Natural Sciences from CWU (interdisciplinary science degree)

I took post-bachelor courses in Earth Science education from Boise State University
I completed the Native Education Certificate Program at the University of Washington Continuum College
I completed the Mt. St. Helens Volcano Naturalist program with the Mt. St. Helens institute.

Professionally, I spent several years working in libraries as access services staff, three years as an administrative professional with Capital Region ESD 113, and currently work as a contracts and grants specialist with the Washington State Department of Ecology.

# Appointment to an advisory committee will require your attendance at evening meetings, and undertake other work (reading, meeting preparation etc.). How many hours per month are you willing to commit as a volunteer?

10

### Question Applies to the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee: Describe your participation with walking and biking in Olympia.

My preference is to walk whenever I'm in downtown Olympia and will either park on the outskirts of downtown and visit everywhere I plan to on foot, or take the 62A/B downtown and not worry about parking at all. I walk and bike frequently on the Western Chehalis trail (and I am IMMENSELY grateful for the bridges over Martin Way and I-5). I will also bus and then walk to any festival type events, to avoid adding to the problem of parking congestion.

### Question Applies to the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee: Do you have a unique perspective on walking and biking? If so, please explain.

Yes. I grew up in Shelton, WA, and spent my adolescence biking everywhere in town. After college I moved around and spent over seven years in Portland, OR, five of which I chose not to own a vehicle and used public transit, walking, and biking as my day-to-day transportation. I have significant experience in navigating crowded streets and unsafe intersections on a bicycle and on foot, how street and transit design can either encourage or discourage accidents, injury, and behavior incidents, and how interacting with a place at bike or walking speed drastically increases my enjoyment of the place.

## Question Applies to the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee: Have you done any other volunteer work in the community? If so, please describe it.

Yes, I was an Olympia/Lacey Centennial Train Station volunteer during summer 2023. I would staff the information desk with a partner volunteer and assist travelers with whatever questions they might have, meet every train and monitor the track and plaza while each train was in the station, assist travelers with using the Amtrak ticket machine, monitor the cleanliness of the station and the grounds and report any problems to Intercity Transit, and communicate with Intercity Transit nightly if it looked like any travelers may be stranded (if the last train came in after the last bus).

## Question Applies to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee: Describe your interest in and use of parks in Olympia.

I like to spend time in Olympia parks walking, attending community events, and finding quiet places to think. Squaxin Park is my favorite walking trail park, Percival Landing is my favorite place to bring a book on a nice day, and my favorite festival location, and the Heritage Fountain is incredibly appreciated when

it's way too hot during Lake Fair.

I'm interested in parks being places of connection for people of all abilities without the pressure of being a customer, and of parks giving people access to the natural lands and processes of our home. That we can access the water, find trails, natural water, and creatures in so many of our parks is a gift and desperately important for a healthy and connected community.

### Question Applies to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee: Please describe your interest in recreation (sports leagues, summer camps, classes or trips) in Olympia.

I think they are critical for our community. My interest runs towards art or language classes, but having all types of city managed recreation is a major benefit in our community. I say city managed in particular, because that means staff are reliably hired and given quality training to provide this recreation and that reliability and quality is critical for residents to want to engage with these services. Sports leagues give kids fun, connection with other children and families, and adult sports give adults joyful movement and people of all ages to connect with. Classes of all types let people explore skills without pressure and meet other people in their community. Summer camps and trips are wonderful tools to keep kids engaged during the long summer break and prevent summer slide.

## Question Applies to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee: What particular perspectives or skills would you bring to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee?

My library experience is particularly relevant here, because a large part of being a successful library is finding the balance between remaining true to the library mission, and adapting to the needs and wants of the community it serves. A park can be many things, but understanding the things it is and the things it is not helps deliver a better park to the community. Different parks can have different purposes and identities and they should! The variety is beneficial to any community, but especially one that recognizes and plans for what each space is capable of being in concert with community wishes.

Consistent and responsive outreach is key to this process. Community consensus will often surface with enough outreach and responding to that consensus will result in better engagement with park resources and trust in the parks department. On the same end, sometimes community consensus reveals a need that is better served by another entity or area, and it's crucial to communicate that back to the community so they know they have been heard. Understanding and analyzing outreach data and conducting outreach is a skill I can offer.

I have experience with reviewing and proposing financial reports and strategic plans from my time serving as the Oregon Library Association Support Staff Division Chair, as well as planning conferences and annual retreats, public speaking, and project management.

I have significant administrative skills (MS Office applications, Google Suite, multiple email platforms and web browsers, formal correspondence, data verification and analysis, and project management), and extensive customer service and de-escalation skills that translate well to committee work with active listening and inclusion.

Finally, I am a state employee and work as a contracts and grants specialist with the Dept. of Ecology, and formerly worked with the Region 16 Comprehensive Center grant, and would be able to use my familiarity with grants processes to assist with review of City of Olympia grants.

### If you are not appointed to a Board or Commission at this time:

Do you wish to be considered fo	r
appointment to another Board o	r
Commission?	

Yes

Do you wish to be considered for future appointment to your preferred Board or Commission?

Yes

If you wish to be considered for another Board or Commission, please identify others you would be interested on being considered for in order of interest:

Cultural Access Advisory Board

# Thank you for your interest in serving on a City of Olympia Advisory Committee!

Please hit the "submit" button below when you have completed your application .



#### PEOPLE FOCUSED AND DATA DRIVEN

All success begins and ends with respectful and cooperative effort. With expert people skills, broad administrative, logistical, and financial experience, and learning forward mindset, I am here to foster success and further the mission

#### **EXPERIENCE**

Oct 2023 - Present

#### Grants and Contracts Specialist, WA Department of Ecology

- Administer grants for the Air Quality program of the Washington Dept. of Ecology
- Serve as financial manager for Air Quality grants and contracts, including evaluations, agreement development, and reimbursement review
- Assist project managers with tracking deliverables and supporting recipients
- Ensure that all applicable RCW is being followed in all procedures

Nov 2020 - Oct 2023

#### Administrative Professional, Capital Region ESD 113

 Team logistics, administration, and financial/budget support for Capital Region ESD 113 Communications Team, Washington Project Team of Region 16 Comprehensive Center, and Executive Director of the Washington Association of Educational Service Districts

Oct 2014 - Nov 2020

#### Senior Library Assistant, Beaverton City Library

 Provided library services to the patrons of the Washington County Cooperative Library Services library system.

Sept 2018 - Dec 2020

Executive Board Member, Support Staff Division Chair, OLA Financial Review Task Force member, Oregon Library Association

 Served on the executive board of the Oregon Library Association, providing leadership to the Support Staff Division, serving on executive committees, and leading the planning of the Support Staff Division Annual

#### **EDUCATION**

Sept 2003 - Dec 2007

**B.S. General Studies, Natural Sciences** 

Central Washington University

Sept 2011 - May 2012

**Earth Science Education Coursework** 

Boise State University

Jan 2021 - March 2021

**Volcano Naturalist Program** 

Mt. St. Helens Institute

Aug 2022 - June 2024

**Native Education Certificate Program** 

University of Washington - Continuum College

#### **SKILLS**

Leadership Staff Training Organization Logistics

Public Speaking

**Event Planning** 

#### **VOLUNTEERING**

May 2023 - Aug 2023

**Railroad Station Volunteer** 

Olympia-Lacey Centennial Station