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Occupation

Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Arts Commission: Submitted

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

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

☒ Other

Kaiser Place

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

Interests & Experiences

Question applies to multiple boards

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

Question applies to multiple boards

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

I moved to Olympia in April 2016 from Seattle where I was well-connected to the arts community as a patron, a professional, and a volunteer. I would like to be able to make similar contributions to the rich community of artists and arts supporters here in Olympia by serving on the Olympia Arts Commission. After attending a recent arts commission meeting and meeting individually with the commission president, Stacy Hicks, I can say with certainty that I support the board's overarching mission and its current projects and that I would be able to contribute in significant and meaningful ways.

Question applies to multiple boards

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

I have volunteered with both the Plano (TX) Symphony Orchestra and Richardson (TX) Symphony Orchestra, where I was the marketing and public relations intern during my undergraduate studies. More recently, I was employed at University of Washington (2002-2015), where I made the following contributions to the arts: *Created and implemented the UW School of Music Community Service Outreach Program connecting student performers, music teachers, and tutors with professional and career development opportunities in the Seattle community; *Created and produced the annual UW School of Music Open House featuring performances, lectures, and cultural programs attracting 300+ visitors; *Developed a monthly concert series at Seattle City Hall featuring School of Music students in partnership with the City of Seattle's Office of Arts and Culture; *Planned and produced the annual UW School of Art MFA/MDes Thesis Exhibition Opening gala event held at the Henry Art Gallery, a significant outreach event attended by 500+ arts patrons and members of the media. *Co-coordinated the annual UW School of Art student art sale. Additionally, during my years of service on the Board of Directors for the University of Washington Medical Center Service League, where we funded programs to support patient and family services, I participated in the review and purchase of fine art for the UW Medical Center's art collection, which is displayed throughout the hospital. I also advocated strongly for funding the hospital's art and music therapy programs.

Question applies to multiple boards

3. Describe your involvement in the Olympia community.

I am currently a board member for the Olympia Film Society, and I am working on the historical preservation and restoration of the Capitol Theater. I am also the vice president of my neighborhood homeowner's association which works to foster stronger connections among my Olympia neighbors. In the relatively short time that I have lived in Olympia, I have made many wonderful connections within the community at large through both my professional and volunteer work.

Question applies to multiple boards

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

I have a BA in clarinet and music history from Southern Methodist University, an MM in Musicology (ABT) from University of North Texas, and an MPA from University of Washington. I spent four years as the admissions and community outreach coordinator for the UW School of Music and another six years supporting students and programs in the UW School of Art. Some of my many accomplishments in these positions are highlighted in my response to question #2. I currently serve as the Policy Associate for Enrollment and Reporting for the WA State Board for Community and Technical Colleges. My responsibilities include: *Developing and refining policies to promote uniform and equitable enrollment counting across all 34 Washington community and technical colleges; *Delivering on-campus training to improve enrollment reporting accuracy and efficiency; *Analyzing system data to ensure consistent application of policies, rules, and statutes and identify enrollment trends; *Developing statewide student success strategies.

Question applies to multiple boards

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

I can commit up to 10 hours per month.

Question applies to multiple boards

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

Question applies to multiple boards

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

☐ Yes ☒ No

Question applies to multiple boards

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

☐ Yes ☒ No

Question applies to multiple boards

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

Question applies to multiple boards

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

☒ Yes ☐ No

Question applies to multiple boards

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

☒ Yes ☐ No

Question applies to multiple boards

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

Do you agree to comply with this expectation?

☒ I Agree *

Question applies to multiple boards

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

Stacy Hicks

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Upload a Resume

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

For further information, contact Susan Grisham, Executive Assistant, 360.753.8244, sgrisham@ci.olympia.wa.us

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

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

Question applies to Arts Commission

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

In addition to donating my time and money to the Olympia Film Society and being an avid fan of art film, I regularly attend musical and comedy events at the Washington Center and around town. I recently began attending public meetings of the Arts commission and participating in the public voting for various public art programs.

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Policy Associate, Enrollment and Reporting

State Board for Community and Technical Colleges, Olympia, WA 4/2016 – present

- Develop and refine enrollment policies to promote uniform and equitable enrollment counting across all 34 system colleges;
- Develop and deliver on-site training to improve enrollment reporting accuracy and efficiency;
- Analyze system data to ensure consistent application of policies, rules, and statutes and identify enrollment trends;
- Serve on the state-wide Strategic Enrollment Task Force to develop student success strategies;
- Provide guidance and technical assistance to colleges on coding and managing enrollments.

Director of Academic Services

University of Washington Department of Sociology, Seattle, WA 7/2012 – 10/2015

- Managed comprehensive student services programs for a large academic department comprised of 350+ undergraduate majors, 90+ graduate students, and 40+ faculty;
- Established enrollment goals for all courses and degree programs;
- Analyzed enrollment data to assess program efficacy;
- Developed and managed academic budgets and curriculum plans;
- Supervised 5 direct reports, including training, scheduling, payroll, and annual evaluations/raises/promotions;
- Heard and assessed student grievances and recommended appropriate department responses.

Senior Academic Advisor and Graduate Program Manager

University of Washington School of Art, 3/2006 – 7/2012

- Provided daily academic advising and support services to approximately 800 undergraduate and 100+ graduate fine arts students;
- Managed the Master of Fine Arts, Master of Design, Master of Arts and PhD Art History programs including the admissions process and awarding of scholarships and fellowships;
- Conducted monthly information sessions for prospective students;
- Organized and led the MFA/MDes Graduate Student Orientation Week;
- Planned and produced the annual UW School of Art MFA/MDes Thesis Exhibition Opening gala event held at the Henry Art Gallery, a significant outreach event attended by 500+ arts patrons and members of the media.
- Co-coordinated the annual UW School of Art student art sale.

Admissions and Community Outreach Coordinator

University of Washington School of Music, 3/2002 – 3/2006

- Developed and implemented recruitment and admissions strategies for 11 academic divisions and 6 degree programs;
- Analyzed specific needs in student recruitment and increased enrollment in target disciplines by 20%;
- Coordinated the semi-annual scholarship audition weekends;
- Created and implemented the UW School of Music Community Service Outreach Program connecting student performers, music teachers, and tutors with professional and career development opportunities in the Seattle community;
- Created and produced the annual UW School of Music Open House featuring performances, lectures, and cultural programs attracting 300+ visitors;
- Developed a monthly concert series at Seattle City Hall featuring School of Music students in partnership with the City of Seattle's Office of Arts and Culture.

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Olympia Film Society Board of Directors, 9/2017 – present

Kaiser Place Homeowners' Association Vice President, 12/2016 – present

UW Medical Center Service League Board of Directors (and President-Elect), 6/2014 – 6/2016

Municipal League of King County, 6/2009 – 8/2010

UW Advisor Education Program Advisory Board Member, 3/2008 – 7/2010

Washington State Achievers Program Scholars Mentor, 9/2002– 8/2004

EDUCATION

Master of Public Administration, University of Washington

Master of Music in Musicology (ABT), University of North Texas

Bachelor of Arts in Music (Cum Laude), Southern Methodist University