

Report of Nominating Committee

Board resumes September 2024

The following members have submitted their name for nomination:

For a one year term

Maggie Chafe - Bio to come

For a two year term

Matthew Bannister is passionate about helping his clients and community thrive. Over the course of his career, he has consistently sought to add value to the businesses, not-for-profit organizations, and government agencies he works with – whether it's a trusted advisor, volunteer, or on the board of directors.

As a Partner in Grant Thornton LLP's Salmon Arm office, he support clients with accounting, tax, assurance, and business advisory solutions. With over 12 years in public practice, he's worked with a broad base of clients, from small sole proprietors' businesses to leading the audits of a large Indigenous group of companies.

Outside of the office, he enjoys spending time with his family travelling and getting outside, and golfing. They also enjoy attending concerts together and have been supportive of the arts for many years.

Laura Demulder has served on the Shuswap Theatre Board for a two year term. She volunteers with the Artistic Committee, helping to plan the season for the theatre, provide workshops and support directors during the rehearsal period, in order to ensure quality of production at Shuswap Theatre.

Laura comes from an educational background having taught and directed theatre in middle and senior high schools in Alberta for many years. The last couple of years at the Shuswap Theatre she has produced *The 39 Steps* and *Treasure Island* and helped with set construction and set decor in *The Secret Garden*, *The 39 Steps*, *Treasure Island* and *Outside Mullingar*.

Amanda Maygard first joined Shuswap Theatre in 2022 as part of the cast of *The Secret Garden*. She also starred in the recent production of *Treasure Island*. Although relatively new to Shuswap Theatre, Amanda has been involved in Community Theatre for the past 11 years. She is excited to bring her ideas and energy to the board, and is looking forward to contributing to the continued success of Shuswap Theatre and all it brings to her community.

Meredith Rusk is of Dene ancestry. She has lived in Salmon Arm for 22 years, work in various capacities for School District 83. She has been an elementary school teacher at Salmon Arm West, as well as a teacher in the Indigenous Program. Meredith who recently completed her Doctoral in Indigenous Education at UBC Okanagan, is at heart a storyteller. She is excited to continue her work at the Board level.

Nedine Scott has been a member of Shuswap Theatre for over a decade. She is a previous board member and currently serves as President, as well as sitting on a number of committees. She can be found mostly behind stage, primarily acting as Stage Manager for productions which include *Little Shop of Horrors*, *Mary Poppins*, *The Wizard of Oz*, *The Secret Garden* and *Treasure Island*. Nedine was part of the team that brought to life our first Relaxed Performance, and has been part of the organising groups for all relaxed performances since. She can also be found making things up with Laughing Gas Improv, and has been involved with just about every event happening at Shuswap Theatre in recent years. She hopes to once again bring her experience from other non-profit boards, continue to provide a venue for diverse demographics to be heard and create, represent our local communities, and build upon the hard work already in motion by the board.

Submitted by
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