

Vancouver Fringe Theatre Society 2021 AGM

Board Slate

Claudia Sjoberg
Jim Sibley
Lee-Lynn Gan
Leanne Anderson
Leslie Carter
Jai Djwa
Donna Mathiasen
Nancy More
Duncan Watts-Grant

Current Board of Directors, Positions and Bios

Claudia Sjoberg President

Claudia is the owner and founder of Pedalheads Bike, Swim and Sport programs for children with 200 locations across North America.

Claudia is also the Chair of Cedar Cottage Neighbourhood House and a business mentor and investor through the Forum for Women Entrepreneurs.

She is the mother of two adult children who is curious about everything and loves to travel the world.

Claudia is the recipient of a number of business awards including the RBC Canadian Women's Entrepreneur of the Year Trail Blazer Award in 2017 and the Veuve Clicquot Canadian Business Woman of the Year Award in 2018.

Sharon Sutherland Past President

Jim Sibley Secretary

Jim Sibley is Director of the Centre for Instructional Support at the Faculty of Applied Science at University of British Columbia (UBC) in Vancouver, Canada.

Jim is an international Team-Based Learning consultant, having worked at schools in Australia, Canada, Kenya, Korea, Lebanon, Pakistan, Uruguay, and the United States.

Jim joined the Fringe board in 2014 and serves as Secretary and a member of the Board Affairs committee.

Lee-Lynn Gan Treasurer

Lee-Lynn Gan is a financial advisor and Chartered Professional Accountant with specialized expertise in Canadian tax and a broad range of experience in corporate reorganizations, estates and trusts, and planning for Canadian corporations and their shareholders. Based in Vancouver, she works with business families to help their relationships thrive as they manage their enterprises and capital. Lee-Lynn has served on the Board of Governors of St. John's School (Treasurer, Finance, Strategic Planning and Executive Committees) since 2014 and on the Board of the Vancouver Fringe Festival (Treasurer and Internal Affairs Committee) since 2019.

Leanne Anderson Director

Leanne Anderson is a Member Service Officer with the Association Of Administrative and Professional Staff at UBC. AAPS represents over 5,000 members in collective bargaining and dispute resolution with The University. AAPS supports members in resolving workplace issues and strives to improve their work experience at UBC.

Leanne is also a co-host of the Union Made Radio show on Vancouver Coop Radio Station in Vancouver. Leanne joined in July 2021.

Leslie Carty Director

Leslie Carty is the Executive Director, Operations with the Rural Coordination Centre of BC (RCCbc). The RCCbc supports the health of rural citizens and communities by working with rural physicians and their colleagues. In both work and life, Leslie practices the model of servant leadership to support and uphold those she engages with and believes that everything is and must be relationship-based. Leslie joined the board in 2016.

Jai Djwa Director

Jai Djwa, MFA, is an artist, facilitator and digital strategist that works in the cross-section of arts, games, technology and people. He incorporates his understanding of the world as a person of colour to his life and artistic practice. He cares deeply about community, creativity and convening. Djwa is appointed to the BC Arts Council, the Vancouver Fringe, and is a business mentor for new immigrants at MOSAIC.

Kuan Foo Director ON LEAVE

Donna Mathiasen Director

Donna Mathiasen is recently retired from a career as a Chartered Professional Accountant in the BC Public Service, working in various financial management roles, and with a particular focus and passion to supporting operations. Wife and parent of two adult children raised in communities across the lower mainland, and with a lifelong love of travel, music, books and theatre, she and her husband have recently moved to Vancouver. She is very much enjoying learning the city and engaging with the music and theatre communities and its programs, joining the Fringe board in 2020.

Nancy More Director

Nancy More had a long career focused on supply and general management in the global brewing industry. While beer was the business focus, her attention was on development of local leaders and businesses.

She fell in love with Fringe Festivals in 1982 at the first Edmonton Fringe Festival. She started to volunteer with the Vancouver Fringe in 2011, coaching the management team in leadership and management skills. Joining the Vancouver Fringe Festival Board in 2014 was a great honour.

Her experience as a board director has also included the Sea Kayak Association of BC, the Nuxalk Nation Economic Development Corporation, Academics without Borders, and Vantage Point. She previously has served as Board Chair for Academics without Borders and Vantage Point.

Duncan Watts-Grant**Director**

Duncan was born and raised in Vancouver and has been attending Fringe shows since he was 11 years old. He completed his Bachelor's of Music at the University of British Columbia, and currently works as an arts administrator at the VSO School of Music.

Duncan has spent most of his life working in performing arts in some capacity, having trained as a musician, apprenticed as a stage manager and scenic carpenter, and now working as an administrator. This is Duncan's first year on the Fringe Board.