

2021-2022 CUC Nominating Committee Members

Lynn Armstrong (BC Region)

Lynn Armstrong is an active member of the Unitarian Church of Vancouver and was previously with the Comox Valley Fellowship and First Victoria, North Shore and Calgary churches. She has served in many congregational roles including newsletter editor, several years on Boards and with various committees. She chaired Membership, Denominational Affairs, Social Justice and an Intern Committee and was Canvass Co-chair in two congregations.



Involvement at the regional and national level has also been significant. Lynn was active with the BC Council within PNWD 1998-2002, a member of the national HUUG Team (Helping U*U's Grow) 2001-02 and a Service Consultant with the CUC Regional Network 2003-05. She has attended many conferences, annual meetings and training events since 1995 including PNWD and Cascadia meetings, BC and Western Regional gatherings, CUC Annual Conferences and Meetings, and a UUA General Assembly. She enjoys getting to know other Unitarians.

In addition to her Unitarian identity, Lynn describes herself as a retired social worker, happy grandmother, outdoor enthusiast and social justice organizer. She currently serves on the Board of Canadian Unitarians for Social Justice (CUSJ) as President and this brings her into contact with members of many congregations.

Lynn offers to bring commitment and enthusiasm, together with a deep belief in the value of our Unitarian movement, to this role with the Nominating Committee. She was previously a member of the committee 2000-2004.

Michael Dailly (BC/Western Region)

Born and raised in Toronto, Michael is the middle brother to three sisters and two brothers. Active with the Royal Canadian Sea Cadets starting at age 13, he became a Commissioned Officer with a rank of Sub-Lieutenant at age 18. Hired by Toronto Fire Services at 21, he completed a 30-year career and retired with the rank of Fire Captain. Michael has a long history as an advocate for others, first as an elected Union Officer with the Toronto Firefighters local 113, a position he held for 10 years and then as vice-president of the Metro Toronto Downsyndrome Society.



Happily married to Julie, father of 4 grown children and grandfather to 7, Michael is a family man first and foremost. He and his wife Julie were married by a Unitarian Minister. Over the

past 20 years Michael has served terms as Board President of both the Neighbourhood Unitarian Congregation in Toronto and the Nelson Unitarian Spiritual Center in Nelson B.C.

Keeping active in retirement, Michael has volunteered in advocacy and leadership roles, in affordable housing, adult education and environmental stewardship. Michael was elected and served a term (2014-18) as a Nelson City Councilor filling in as acting Mayor on many occasions.

As a member of the CUC Nominating Committee, Michael is looking forward to meeting Unitarian Universalists from across the country and contributing to the team effort of “solution finding” for the challenges facing UU congregations while promoting and living our seven principles.

Julien LeBourdais (Central Region)

Julien spent most of his career as a photojournalist working out of Toronto covering events as diverse as federal election campaigns, NHL hockey, royal visits and John Lennon and Yoko Ono. For 20 years, he was also a part-time photography instructor at several community colleges in the Toronto area. In 2007, he made a career change and spent the next ten years in the not-for-profit sector as a fundraiser and eventually executive director of a large distribution food bank. He retired in 2017.



Julien and his wife Anna were members of the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Durham from 2008 to 2011 at which time he was v.p. of the board and chair of the worship committee. They took a break for a number of years, returning to the UUCD in Sept. 2018. In December 2019, he became president of the UUCD and joined the CUC Nominating Committee in Sept. 2020.

Maury Prevost (Central/Eastern Region)

Maury has been a member of the First Unitarian Congregation of Ottawa since the fall of 2003 and has served continuously in a variety of volunteer leadership roles since 2006. He was on the Nominating Committee 2006-2012, the Board of Directors 2012-2017, and served as President 2014-2016. He is currently CUC Liaison, Chair of the Denominational Affairs Team, and serves regularly as a Zoom Host for social justice presentations.



His involvement with the CUC started with CU*UL School in 2006. Since then he has participated in five (or more) national conferences and four Eastern Regional Gatherings, having led the Host Team for the 2019 Eastern Region

Fall Gathering in Ottawa. Maury has also been a voting delegate at 7-8 CUC AGMs. In 2016, he trained as a Truth, Healing, and Reconciliation facilitator. He joined the CUC Nominating Committee in 2018 and became its Chair in 2020.

As a leader in his own congregation, Maury has seen first hand the benefits of membership in the CUC, which makes us all part of a larger movement. Serving on the Nominating Committee is one way of giving back to the national movement.

Alex Schumacher (Western Region)

I am retired, have a wife, Valerie and two daughters, Sarah and Maia. I spent my childhood on a farm in Kenya, did secondary schooling in England and university at McGill in Montreal. Subsequently, I had a long career (1968 – 2019) in agricultural and environmental consulting. Most of this in Africa, China, SE Asia, and Latin America. I speak English and Spanish fluently, French and Kiswahili passably, and have a smattering of Bahasa Indonesia.



I have lived in Calgary since 1977 when I moved here from Montreal to work on the reclamation of Calgary Power's (Now TransAlta Utilities) coal strip mines. Here I met Valerie, married, and expanded my interest in outdoor activities: cross country/backcountry skiing, hiking, canoeing/kayaking. I have also been involved with community activities and once served on the Hillhurst-Sunnyside Community Association board.

I don't believe in a deity directing my life or any lives, for that matter. But I do think we are all part of, and entirely dependent on, the very intricate and wonderful web of life on this planet - our environment. While glorifying its beauty and diversity, we must also recognize the boundaries it imposes on us and live carefully and respectfully within these. I have an overriding concern about human society's failure to do so and the resulting legacy of seriously degraded environmental and related social conditions we leave for future generations.

I have attended two national gatherings: one here in Calgary and another in Montreal. I have been a member of the Calgary congregation since 2009. During this time, I have been a regular attendee, as permitted by overseas work assignments and times spent at our Columbia Valley property.

For a short period, I have participated in the congregation's Physical Plant Committee. I have also been a member of the Board for the last three years. In that role, I am currently the Board link to the Physical Plant and Social Justice committees.

Kim Turner (Eastern Region)

Kim is a fourth generation Unitarian who grew up in the Lakeshore congregation in Quebec. She is currently a member of the Universalist Unitarian Church of Halifax, having served in various Board positions over the years. Kim also served on the CUC National Board from 1995-2002, including as President from 1999-2001 during the devolution of service delivery from the UUA to the CUC. Kim is a lawyer practicing in the areas of union side labour law, professional regulation, and non -profit law. She is married to James Morris (also a lawyer) and Mom to Patrick and Katherine, young adults who live close by in Halifax. From the early spring to late fall, Kim can be found rising just before dawn for a sunrise Photography/ Kayak paddle on the lake where she and James live in Hubley, NS.

