FRIENDS OF ROYAL ALBERTA MUSEUM SOCIETY (FRAMS)



Nominations Slate for 2023-24 year

Election to be held Thursday, 29 June 2023

Directors standing for re-election: David Lardner and Renee Ignacio are recommended for re-election.

Name	Years on Board	Maximum Allowed	Current Position or Committee
David Lardner	2	2026-27	Membership, Events
Renee Ignacio	2	2026-27	Communication, Membership, Events

Directors returning to the board: The following directors have completed one year of their current two-year term and will return to complete their current term in 2023-24 or were appointed to the board during 2023:

Name	Years on Board	Maximum Allowed	Current Position or Committee
Janada Hawthorne	1	2027-28	Communication
Michael Gaian	3	2025-26	Funding
Julia Grein	0	2028-29	Communication, Events

FRAMS Board Biographies

Michael Gaian is an eastern transplant who moved west in his career, felt at home, married and raised a family here. He has been a business, financial and insurance consultant for over 30 years and co-owns a consulting practice, Bedrock Advisory Inc. He has always been engaged in community whether at school, the arts, not for profits through various board affiliations, councils and advisory groups. Michael is an avid traveller and history buff.

Janada Hawthorne is a polished corporate communicator and change agent who is passionate about amplifying the voice of Edmonton's diverse communities. For FRAMs she contributes her expertise in brand development, project management, social media, digital advertising, and public engagement. No matter the task, she creates meaningful ways for citizens to connect, inform, and inspire each other. Janada holds a Master of Corporate Communication degree (Marketing Specialization) from Bond University in Australia, as well as a B.A. in Political Science from the University of Alberta.

Renee Ignacio grew up in a small town in the foothills of the Rocky Mountains, which shaped who she is and what she loves to do. Renee spends her free time tending to her plants, inside and outside. She loves getting away to the mountains whenever she can to hike, bike, snowboard, and camp. She graduated from the Carleton University Mass Communications program in Ottawa and then moved back to Alberta to start her career in communications. She's worked for a bank, an engineering firm and is currently the senior communications officer at Alberta Blue Cross.

David Lardner is a Union Representative with the Alberta Union of Provincial Employees where he has attended before professional boards, the Alberta Labour Board, and arbitration panels since 2007. Prior to that, David worked as a lawyer in private practice. David holds a BA and an LLB from the U of A and is a member of the Alberta Bar. When not working, David is a very amateur guitar player.

Julia Grein is a medical device professional and a one-year Albertan. She joined FRAMS to build connections and learn more about her new home, and to explore the arts to balance it with the science of her career. She graduated from Queen's University with a Bachelor of Science and a Graduate Diploma in Business, then worked marketing and is now a clinical specialist. She has past volunteer experience in outreach and communications.