



FRIENDS OF ROYAL ALBERTA MUSEUM SOCIETY (FRAMS)

Nominations slate for 2024/25 year

Election to be held June 27, 2024

Directors standing for re-election: Micahel Gaian.

Name	Years on Board	Maximum Allowed	Current Position or Committee
Michael Gaian	4	2025-26	Funding

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
David Lardner	3	2026-27	Events
Renee Ignacio	3	2026-27	Communication, Events
Julia Grein	1	2028-29	Communication, Events
*Dylan Niedermaier	0	2029-30	Treasurer
*Sheri Harasymuk	0	2029-30	Events
*Martin James Phillips	0	2029-30	Events

*Dylan, Sheri and Martin were recently elected to the board in 2024 prior to the AGM. 2024/25 will be their first one-year term.

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.

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 sales professional and a two-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, and she is currently in the Master's of Health Administration program through the University of Regina. She has past volunteer experience in outreach and communications.

Dylan Niedermaier is an accountant working for KPMG's Corporate Finance team in Edmonton. Dylan has a bachelor of commerce from the University of Alberta in addition to a bachelor of kinesiology from the University of Calgary. Dylan played football throughout university and finished off his career with the Golden Bears. He is still an assistant coach with the team and also president of the Golden Bears Football Alumni Association. When he's not in the office or at the football field you can find him on the golf course or up hiking in the mountains.

Sheri Harasymuk has a bachelor of Education in elementary education and is a mother of two amazing young adults. She was a contracted and substitute teacher for many years before moving to the school library and then to a global library software company. Sheri is a firm believer in lifelong learning and supports learning experiences offered to encourage learning for everyone. She joined FRAMS for the opportunity to support one of the city's best learning experiences and environments offered. And she looks forward to doing what she can to help the Royal Alberta Museum thrive and continue to offer opportunities for everyone to continue their learning experiences.

Martin James Phillips has worked most of his career for the City of Edmonton; starting in engineering, then budgeting, applications and finishing up with more than a decade in cyber security—a field he still works in part time. Martin is married to Sharmaine, has two sons (Mike and Devon), two stepdaughters (Cassandra and Hunter) and one granddaughter (Jada). Martin is a Mason and Shriner and in those rare moments of spare time enjoys everything from hunting, gold panning, snowshoeing, ice fishing and of course housework.