

## Urban Forestry Commission Appointments

### Anjeanette Brown's Bio:

Anjeanette is an Outreach Specialist for Oregon Tradeswomen, Inc.(OTI) and an OTI graduate. She's served on the leadership committee for three years, received an award for extensive volunteer work, and was an instructor for OTI's girls and young woman programs.

### Personal Statement:

I recently completed a volunteer position with the Community Advisory Committee with PP&R Urban Forestry. In that program, I found a deep connection with my community and other local tree enthusiasts. At the end of that program, I was recommended to apply for the Urban Forestry Commissioner position. I look forward to serving on this committee.



### Lorena Nascimento's Bio:

Lorena Nascimento is a Brazilian forester and a current Ph.D. student in Urban Studies at Portland State University. She has been working with environmental education, community gardens, GIS, and sustainable development. In Brazil, she had worked with indigenous communities, extension projects, and research with renewable materials. In Portland, she is a teacher assistant for environmental classes at PSU and an instructor in the PP&R SUN Program.

### Personal Statement:

I am interested in furthering my understanding of the city's urban forestry policies. Further, as Ph.D. candidate at Portland State University, I am also seeking to acquire forest management knowledge which I can apply to Brazil.

### Megan Van De Mark's Bio:

Megan Van de Mark is a Neighborhood Trees Specialist with Friends of Trees, where she focuses on tree planting and tree care efforts in Vancouver, Washington and Clark County. She contracts part of her time to the City of Vancouver Urban Forestry and has previously worked for Portland Parks & Recreation Urban Forestry's Street Tree Inventory Project. Megan has a M.A. in Sustainable Development and a BA. in Journalism and Women's Studies. Megan continues to pursue supplemental coursework in horticulture from local colleges and institutions. She is an ISA certified arborist.

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benefits of our urban forest are more equitably experienced by all Portland residents. As an employee with the non-profit, Friends of Trees, my work is focused across the river in Vancouver, Washington, where I spend my days working to maintain and grow Vancouver's urban forest. Although I deeply care about this work, I also want to contribute more significantly to my own community's urban forest by helping to further educate and engage Portland residents with our urban trees and their benefits, by providing input on policies that will help us better accomplish this, and by listening to, learning from, and incorporating the community's feedback into these efforts.



**Gregg Everhart's Bio:**

Gregg Everhart is a landscape architect with 25 years of experience designing projects, including 15 years working for Portland parks & Recreation. She has volunteered as a Master Gardener and Neighborhood Tree Steward as well as on Portland's neighborhood street tree inventories and Friends of Trees plantings. She has also taken a leadership role in the American Society for Landscape Architects.

**Personal Statement:**

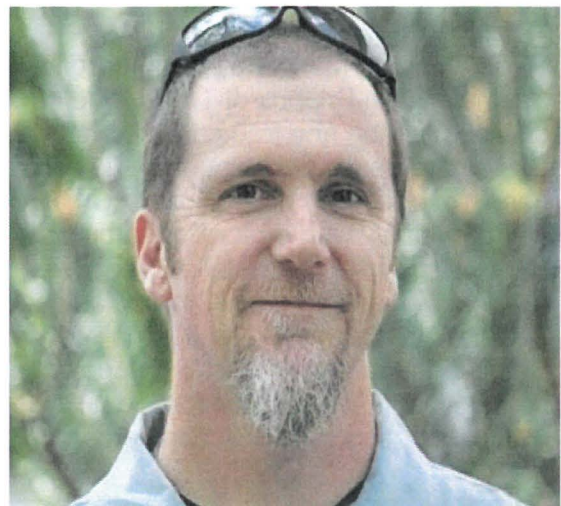
As a landscape architect, I've been professionally involved in planting design, trail planning and a variety of natural resources issues. As a Portland resident, I have volunteered with many organizations involved with trees such as the Friends of Trees (leading crews planting & pruning trees), Audubon Society of Portland (Sanctuary management), my neighborhood street tree team plus UF street and park tree inventories. Since been appointed to the UFC in March of 2015, I have learned more about and helped improve Title 11 and other City policies and plans that impact the Urban Forest. In addition to continuing my work as Chair of the Heritage Tree Committee, I particularly look forward to helping update the UF Management Plan, participating in PBOT's street design update (Streets 2035), and helping with the Citywide Tree Planting Strategy.

**Damon Schrosk's Bio:**

Damon Schrosk bring years of commercial arboriculture experience and has supported tree care and stewardship activities as a volunteer for non-profit organizations. As a small business owner, Damon understands the challenges that people face when dealing with tree issues. He was a Bill Naito Community award winner in 2013 and developed and executed a Tree Hug event in Portland.

**Personal Statement:**

My goal in continuing to serve the City of Portland on the Urban Forestry Commission is to work towards the goals of the Urban Forest Management Plan in providing the benefits of trees, equitably and sustainably across the City. I hope that my service will help the City, Urban Forestry and the Urban Forester best utilize the resources



available, plan for a changing environment and population, and retain the best of what the City of Portland has to offer.



**Brian French's Bio:**

Brian French is a certified arborist with a broad range of certifications and specialty in large trees and hazard risk assessment. He has been practicing for over 18 years both in Oregon and abroad. Brian is the Principal at Arboriculture International, Co-Founder and President of Ascending the Giants, a non-profit dedicated to documenting champion trees of the world. Brian also volunteers with Friends of Trees, Hoyt Arboretum, and coordinates the annual Region and Pacific Northwest tree climbing competition.

**Personal Statement:**

I am dedicated to contributing to cutting edge research for a better understanding of trees in all settings. On the Urban Forestry Commission, I can bring this expertise, and my experience working with local governments, non-profits, and professional tree care providers to help to grow the city's urban forest.

**Barbara Hollenbeck's Bio:**

Barbara Hollenbeck recently retired from the USDA Forest Service, where she managed the assistance provided to states by the Urban & Community Forestry program for Oregon, Washington, and Alaska. In addition, Barbara collaborated with universities, colleges, and non-profits, managed financial assistance grants, and provided educational information regarding city and community trees in those states. Prior to her 20 years in that position, Barbara held technical and management positions, including safely managing trees, campgrounds, and trails.



**Personal Statement:**

I look forward to continuing to serve on Portland's Urban Forestry Commission. I have learned a lot in working with city forestry staff, who excel at both tree issues and customer service. In addition, I value the opportunity to assist residents in understanding the values and benefits of trees along city streets, in neighborhoods, and within parks. Trees help make Portland a livable city!



**Office of Mayor Ted Wheeler  
City of Portland**

March 14, 2018

As Mayor and Commissioner of Finance & Administration, I request Council confirmation of the following appointment to the Urban Forestry Commission:

<u>Appointment</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Replacing</u>
Anjeanette Brown	Expires February 28, 2022	Vacant
Lorena Nascimento	Expires February 28, 2022	Meryl Redisch
Megan Van De Mark	Expires February 28, 2022	Vacant

<u>Reappointment</u>	<u>Term</u>
Gregg Everhart	Expires February 28, 2022
Brian French	Expires February 28, 2022
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Respectfully submitted,

Ted Wheeler  
Mayor

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Agenda No.  
**APPOINTMENT REPORT**  
Title

Appoint Anjeanette Brown, Lorena Nascimento and Megan Van De Mark and reappoint Gregg Everhart, Brian French, Barbara Hollenbeck and Damon Schrosk to the Portland Urban Forestry Commission (Report)  
*for terms to expire February 28, 2022*

<b>INTRODUCED BY</b> Commissioner/Auditor: <b>Mayor Wheeler</b>	CLERK USE: DATE FILED <u>MAR 06 2018</u>
<b>COMMISSIONER APPROVAL</b>	<p align="center">Mary Hull Caballero Auditor of the City of Portland</p> <p>By: <u></u> Deputy</p> <p><b>ACTION TAKEN:</b></p> <p>MAR 14 2018 <b>CONFIRMED</b></p>
Mayor—Finance & Administration - Wheeler <i>bc</i>	
Position 1/Utilities - Fritz	
Position 2/Works - Fish	
Position 3/Affairs - Saltzman	
Position 4/Safety - Eudaly	
<b>BUREAU APPROVAL</b>	
Bureau: Office of the Mayor <i>Mike Albani</i>	
Prepared by: Brian Landoe Date Prepared: February 5, 2018	
Impact Statement Completed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amends Budget <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>City Auditor Office Approval:</b> required for Code Ordinances	
<b>City Attorney Approval:</b> required for contract, code, easement, franchise, charter, Comp Plan	
Council Meeting Date March <u>7</u> , 2018 <i>14</i>	

<b>AGENDA</b>
<b>TIME CERTAIN</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Start time: _____
Total amount of time needed: _____ (for presentation, testimony and discussion)
<b>CONSENT</b> <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>REGULAR</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>20</i> Total amount of time needed: <del>8</del> minutes (for presentation, testimony and discussion)

FOUR-FIFTHS AGENDA	COMMISSIONERS VOTED AS FOLLOWS:	
	YEAS	NAYS
1. Fritz	1. Fritz ✓	
2. Fish	2. Fish ✓	
3. Saltzman	3. Saltzman _____	
4. Eudaly	4. Eudaly ✓	
Wheeler	Wheeler ✓	