## Ms Rebecca R Sira

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Ms Rebecca R Sira

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 12/2/2023

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Board Member Rebecca R Sira

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#### **Basic Information**

Name

Ms Rebecca R Sira

#### **Contact Information**

**Address** 

OREGON CITY, OR 97045

Resident

Email

**Cell Phone** 

## Occupation

Employer Self Employed Job Title Artist

## Other Questions

#### Question #1

How long have you lived in Oregon City? Since April 2021

### Question #2

#### Describe relevant work experience that may relate to the board or committee you are applying for.

In the past, I had the privilege of collaborating with the Regional Arts & Culture Council. I had the honor of being a two-time grant recipient and also served as a grant panelist. Additionally, I received grants from the Multnomah County Cultural Coalition for a PPS elementary school and actively contributed as a member of the OCAC Business Development Committee.

#### Question #3

#### Please list out any High School, Secondary Education, Trainings, and Colleges, along with years completed. Also list degrees and certifications.

Portland Community College, Portland, OR Digital Arts Certification, 2013 Portland Children's Museum, Portland, OR, Artist as Educator Certification, 2011 Smith College, Northampton, MA, BA in Fine Art 1985 Glassell School of Art, Houston, TX Five Time Frank Freed Memorial Scholarship Recipient (Printmaking), 1985

#### Question #4

# Describe volunteer activity within this or other communities

I had the honor of serving as the volunteer Creative Arts Director at the Creative Science School in SE Portland. In this role, I spearheaded the development of an integrated arts education program for students in grades K-8. Alongside this, I also wrote grants and successfully managed public art projects involving students. Furthermore, I co-created the globally recognized TEDx Artist in Residence Program, a platform that fosters creativity and innovation. As a testament to my passion, I was privileged to be invited as a TEDx

speaker on two occasions at TEDxConcordiaUPortland and TEDxSale. I was also a presenter of the TEDx Artist in Residence Program, presenting at TEDxBeaconStreet and TEDxSalem. In 2015, I had the incredible opportunity to serve as a TEDActive Artist in Residence in Whistler, Canada.

#### Question #5

Do you presently serve on a City board or committee? No

#### Ouestion #6

# Explain your interest in this board/committee and why you think its issues are important

As demonstrated on my resume, I have actively immersed myself in the arts for many years, showing great dedication and passion. I firmly believe that the arts play a vital role in any community, offering a multitude of opportunities for enrichment, education, and connection. Now that I have settled in Oregon City, I am eager to contribute and participate in the local arts scene.

#### Question #7

#### List any relevant experiences, skills, or interests that have helped to prepare you for a position on this board or committee

I possess a wealth of experience across various artistic disciplines, including Illustration, Photography, Video, Painting, Murals, Sculpture, and Public Art. I am highly proficient in utilizing tools such as the Affinity designer suite, Procreate, Adobe Suite, and StudioArtist (Synthetik Software). Additionally, I am well-versed in Google Workspace, MS Office, Asana, Notion, Canva, Wordpress, and Squarespace. Furthermore, I have garnered extensive expertise in Copywriting, marketing, and graphic design.

### Question #8

#### In which neighborhood of Oregon City do you live?

Don't laugh but I can't figure this one out. I'm off So. Bradley Rd. and So. Potter Rd.

#### Question #22

I certify that the information I am submitting is true. If residency is a requirement of holding this position, I certify that I am an Oregon City resident and will comply with requests for additional proof of residency if requested. I consent to allow the information contained in this application to be released to the general public upon request, including my email address and phone number.

Yes

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#### **RESUME**

## Work Experience:

Owner, Nib and Brush, LLC | Portland, OR

2003-present

- Provide traditional and digital art, conceptual illustration, and graphic design.
- Collaborate with clients on custom art installations and design projects.
- Familiar with producing designs for various physical products.

## Chief of Staff, GuildWorks, Portland, OR

2019-2021

- Engaged in strategic planning and shifted the company's focus to adapt to the pandemic.
- Handled graphic design, illustration, marketing, and PR needs.
- Worked in production and design for DreamForce/Salesforce, San Francisco & Riverwalk Butterflies and shade structure, Spokane, WA.

Practice Administrator, Bensimon Center, Portland, OR

2017-2018

- Managed daily operations, ensuring efficient communication and collaboration.
- Authored policies, procedures, and messaging to enhance organizational efficiency.

Administrator, Cascadia Placenta Registration, Portland, OR

1998-2003

- Oversaw operations, financial management, and lab requirements.
- Managed collaborative efforts across teams, ensuring streamlined operations and growth.

#### Education:

Portland Community College, Portland, OR Digital Arts Certification,

2013
Portland Children's Museum, Portland, OR, Artist as Educator Certification,

2011
Smith College, Northampton, MA, BA in Fine Art

Glassell School of Art, Houston, TX

#### Skills:

- Design Software: Proficient in Affinity designer suite, Procreate, Adobe Suite, StudioArtist (Synthetik Software).
- Art Forms: Illustration, Photography, Video, Painting, Murals, Sculpture, Public Art.
- Tools & Platforms: Google Workspace, MS Office, Asana, Notion, Canva, Wordpress, Squarespace.
- Copywriting, marketing, graphic design

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## Artistic Work

<ul> <li><u>Technology and Humanity Canvas</u>, <u>Kanvas</u>, Dubai</li> </ul>	2023
<ul> <li>Inclusiverse, 0x17 Gallery, Seaport, NYC</li> </ul>	2023
Artist in Residence & speaker, TEDxSalem	2019
Portland Winter Lights Festival, Portland, OR	2019
<ul> <li>Speaker, Bates Center for Entrepreneurship and Leadership, Lewis &amp; Clark Col</li> </ul>	lege 2018
<ul> <li>Northwest Deaf Arts Festival, IkigaiMachine, MylesDeBastion</li> </ul>	2018
TED Active Artist in Residence, Whistler, CA	2015
<ul> <li>Speaker, TEDx Artist in Residence Program, TEDxBeacon Street, Boston, MA</li> </ul>	2014
<ul> <li>TED Incubator Prize Winner, TEDx Artist &amp; Residence Program, NYC</li> </ul>	2013
<ul> <li>Portland International Airport, Untangled, concourse E installation</li> </ul>	2013-2014
<ul> <li>Artist in Residence &amp; speaker, TEDxConcordiaUPortland</li> </ul>	2013
<ul> <li>Dragonfire Gallery, Cannon Beach, OR</li> </ul>	2011
<ul> <li>Come to Your Senses, Portland Center for the Performing Arts, Portland, OR</li> </ul>	2012
<ul> <li>Spiral, Cascade AIDS Project, Portland, OR (installation)</li> </ul>	2012
<ul> <li>Stormy Weather Art Festival, DragonFire Gallery, Cannon Beach, OR</li> </ul>	2011
<ul> <li>22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Art Evening and Auction, Cascade AIDS Project, Portland, OR</li> </ul>	2011
<ul> <li>Wild Arts Festival, Audubon Society of Portland, Portland, OR</li> </ul>	2010
<ul> <li>Gifted, Littman Gallery, PSU, Portland, OR</li> </ul>	2010
<ul> <li>Select Works, Graeter Art, Portland, OR</li> </ul>	2010
<ul> <li>Luminous Layers, Lake Oswego Festival of the Arts, Lake Oswego, OR</li> </ul>	2010
<ul> <li>Cooley House Art Show, Lewis &amp; Clark College, Portland, OR</li> </ul>	2010
<ul> <li>An Artist a Day, Muse Art + Design, Portland, OR</li> </ul>	2010
<ul> <li>Rainy Day Wildfire, Portland City Art + Regional Arts &amp; Culture Council, Portland</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Real Lives of Women Artists, Smith College Museum of Art, Northampton, MA</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>SEE, The Manor of Art, Portland City Art @ Milepost 5, Portland, OR, (installati</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>20<sup>th</sup> Annual Art Evening and Auction, Cascade AIDS Project, Portland, OR</li> </ul>	2009
<ul> <li>Haiga and Haiku, Local Color, Seattle, WA</li> </ul>	2006
<ul> <li>A Retrospective, Gavin Shettler Gallery, Portland, OR</li> </ul>	2003
<ul> <li>Abstract Show, PICA, Portland, OR</li> </ul>	2003
<ul> <li>Narrative Anatomy, Gavin Shettler Gallery, Portland, OR</li> </ul>	2001
<ul> <li>Abstract Show, Robert Canaga Gallery, Eugene, OR</li> </ul>	2001
<ul> <li>The Lake Oswego Arts Chronicle, Lake Oswego, OR</li> </ul>	2000
<ul> <li>Haiku Winter, Smith College Gallery, Smith College, Northampton, MA</li> </ul>	2000
<ul> <li>Studio 200 Show, Brian Marki Fine Art, Portland, OR</li> </ul>	1998

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## Collections

• Smith College, Northampton, MA

## Artistic Achievements & Awards

•	HUG Featured Artist	2023
•	HUG Innovation Laboratory, HeyMint, Transient Labs	2023
•	TEDx speaker: TEDxConcordiaUPortland, TEDxMtHood,	2013-2019
•	TEDxSalem, TEDxBeaconstreet	
•	Published author: Work Independently and Live Connectedly	2014
•	Artistic Focus Project Grant recipient, Regional Arts & Culture Council	2012
•	Arts In Schools, Project Grant Panelist, Regional Arts & Culture Council	2012
•	Community Cultural Participation Grant, Multnomah County Cultural Coalition	2011
•	Professional Development Grant recipient, RACC	2010
•	Public Speaking: Social Media for Artists, Working Artists Network	2009
•	Business Development Committee, Oregon College of Art and Craft	2009
•	Designed & led monthly on-air art segments, AM Northwest, KATU	2009
•	Five-time recipient of the University of Texas Medical School Scholarship,	1981-1985
	Houston, TX	
•	Five-time recipient of the Frank Freed Memorial Scholarship for Printmaking,	1985-1986
	Glassell School of Art, Houston, TX	

## Bibliography

- "Painters Shapiro, Mish and Pavlenko Now at DragonFire Gallery in Cannon Beach", Coast Explorer, Summer 2011, p. 29
- Oujiri, Lauren, "ArtclecticPDX Jun 26 2011 R Shapiro and D Fox", Artclectic PDX
- Haatia, Lorraine, "Shapiro Uses Beeswax to Create Green Art", Greening Business Everyday
   2010
- Hawkey, Cameron, "Saturday 4/17/10: Rebecca Shapiro", An Artist a Day

## Links

- Fine Art Website: <a href="https://www.rebeccasira.com">https://www.rebeccasira.com</a>
- Illustration Portfolio: <a href="https://www.rebeccasira.com/design-illustration-portfolio">https://www.rebeccasira.com/design-illustration-portfolio</a>
- LinkedIn: https://www.linkedin.com/in/rebeccasiraart/
- Instagram: <a href="https://www.instagram.com/rebeccasiraart/">https://www.instagram.com/rebeccasiraart/</a>
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