

Application Form

Profile

Kelly J James
First Name Middle Initial Last Name

Email Address

Home Address Suite or Apt

Salem OR 97302
City State Postal Code

What Ward do you live in? *

☒ Unknown

Primary Phone Alternate Phone

Self Employed- Kelly James Photography Owner Commercial Photographer
Employer Job Title Occupation

Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Salem Public Art Commission: Submitted

Which of the following City of Salem Board or Commission meetings have you attended? *

☒ Salem Public Art Commission

Interests & Experiences**What do you feel you can contribute as a board or commission member?**

I have been a life long resident of the Salem area and have a strong interest in making it an even better place to live. I have owned and operated a creative business in downtown Salem for more that 25 years and have also been involved in the Salem art community for more than 25 years. I feel this has given me a strong awareness of the "Art " needs of this community.

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What prompted your interest in applying to serve as a board or commission member?

I was approached by a current commission member and asked to consider applying. After attending several meetings of the commission I realized that they are working on issues that I am passionate about and feel I could be a strong addition to the commission.

Please explain how your education, professional, personal, or volunteer experience and knowledge qualify you to serve on the board(s) or commission(s) for which you are applying.

As a Commercial and Fine Art Photographer I have been part of the Salem art community for several decades. I also have a strong awareness of the different cultures that make up Salem and the importance of creating a community that all residents feel they are a part of. In my travels as a photographer I have visited many communities that have astounding public art and have seen how that art helps to define a community and gives the residents pride in the place they live in. Through my career I have developed exceptional production skills and project management abilities and feel that I could be an asset to the Salem Public Art Commission. Also I am very familiar with the process and rules of running a public meeting.

List any experience you have with volunteering for the City of Salem or other organizations.

For the past eight years I have been a volunteer advisory board member for the Visual Communications program at Chemeketa Community College. I have also also been a volunteer judge for the Oregon State Fair photography competition. I am also an on going volunteer mentor for the Salem Art Association and I have served as a board member and president of the Salem Executive Association.

Briefly explain any experience you have working with your neighborhood association or other public bodies or committees.

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Can you commit to attending a minimum of 75 percent of scheduled meetings? (Please refer to the City's website for the meeting schedule. Failure to meet the attendance requirement may result in removal from office.)

☒ Yes ☐ No

Please list up to three (3) references whom we could contact to learn more about your qualifications (name/email address or phone number/relationship).

Rick Yurk, Owner and Creative Director, The Bam Agency Client and Friend

April Waters, Artist- Client and Friend

Kathleen Dingus-Rice, Salem art Association Community Arts Education Director Client and Friend

Demographics

Some boards and commissions require membership to be racially, politically or geographically proportionate to the general public. The following information helps track our recruitment and diversity efforts.

Ethnicity

☒ Caucasian/Non-Hispanic

Gender

☒ Male