



Love brought me to Gabriola when my son and I joined my husband on Gabriola 16 years ago. Over those years, my love has grown to include the Island where we have built our life – its people, culture, and this amazing environment. When you love something, you care about what happens to it.

As a Kanien'kehá:ka' (Mohawk) woman, I have been taught that in a community, we are not above one another, nor, are we separate from our natural world. I believe that we all have a role in sustaining the natural environment – through the stewardship of our properties, including those held in common and marine ecosystems. I have been an active in our

community: supporting Island businesses, participating in community events, playing ball, golfing with the ladies, and volunteering with our many, amazing non-profit organizations. As a parent, Gabriola is the place I chose to raise my son. Immersed and interconnected - these are the ways I live within my values. I believe we create a stronger community – **together.**

Working for 30 years as an Environmental Manager and Reconciliation Advisor, with all levels of government – federal, provincial, municipal and First Nations, I have become a seasoned professional and gained a deep knowledge of local government operations, authority and jurisdictions. My skillset includes an ability to actively listen, balance and reconcile diverse points of view; able to compromise and be adaptable; collaborate with others to achieve common goals; build strong, positive working relationships with others; articulate, measured composed professional demeanor.

Working as a legislative clerk and planner at the local Islands Trust office and volunteering on the Advisory Planning Commission has given me deep knowledge of Islands Trust mandate, legislation, processes and procedures, including review of the Official Community Plan and Land Use Bylaw for Gabriola Island.

A reasoned and civil approach is a must for the work of realizing a common vision for Gabriola, Mudge, DeCourcy, and the other islands within our Trust Area.