

Silva Forest Foundation Board of Directors



The Silva Board is a geographically diverse group that includes Directors who bring a wide variety of backgrounds and experience to the work of the Board.



From left: Roy Howard, Alix Flavelle, Heather Pritchard, Susan Hammond, Richard Overstall, Rami Rothkop, Sean Markey. Absent: Scott Green, Leanne Allison.

Chair and Treasurer **Susan Hammond** (Slocan Valley, BC) is a founder of the Silva Forest Foundation and served as its Executive Director for 10 years.

Secretary **Alix Flavelle** (Victoria, BC) has many years of international work with communities in teaching and preparing community mapping. She has written a handbook about community mapping.

Heather Pritchard (Duncan, BC) is an ecologist and Registered Professional Forester who works for the BC Ministry of Environment. Heather was a founding member of the Harrop-Procter Community Co-operative, the parent organization of the Harrop-Procter Community Forest.

Leanne Allison (Canmore, AB) is a filmmaker and has directed two award-winning documentaries with the National Film Board of Canada (NFB), *Being Caribou* and *Finding Farley*. Her project *Bear 71* premiered at the Sundance Film Festival-New Frontier exhibit and won a Cannes Lion Creativity award. All of Leanne's work explores our connection to nature in the modern age.

Rami Rothkop (Procter, BC) is manager of Harrop-Procter Wood Products, a locally owned sawmill that is part of the Harrop-Procter Community Forest. Rami's leadership was a catalyst in the formation of the Harrop-Procter Community Co-operative and the establishment of the Harrop-Procter Community Forest.

Richard Overstall (Smithers, BC) is a lawyer with a particular interest in land-use, environmental and aboriginal law. He worked as a researcher with the Gitksan and Wet'suwet'en peoples and is a Board member of West Coast Environmental Law.

Roy Howard (Dunster, BC) is a founding member of the Fraser Headwaters Alliance and runs a renewable energy company, living off the grid for more than 35 years. He has been active in conservation issues in the Robson Valley for more than 20 years.

Sean Markey (Vancouver, BC) is an Associate Professor at Simon Fraser University and a member of the Canadian Institute of Planners. Sean's academic research concerns issues of local and regional economic development, rural and small-town development, community sustainability, and sustainable infrastructure.

Scott Green (Prince George, BC) is an ecologist and Associate Professor at the University of Northern BC. Scott's academic research interests include sustainable forest management, local food systems and interconnections between science and society.