

## Proposed Slate for the 2021-2023 Alumni Association of the University of Manitoba Board of Directors



### **Jessica Carvell, [JD/15]**

Jessica grew up in Mississauga, Ontario and received a double honours Bachelor of Arts from the University of Toronto in 2012. She chose to attend the UM Robson Hall Faculty of Law from 2012 to 2015. During her time at the UM, she was involved in the University of Manitoba Law Students' Association, as chair of the professional development committee and tuition review committee member. She was also a board member of the Manitoban, the UM student newspaper. Jessica received her call to the bar in 2017 and is currently practicing law at Manitoba Hydro. Jessica is seeking her third term as member of the Alumni

Association Board of Directors and is looking forward to continuing to grow our alumni community.



**Mark Colley, [BComm (Hons)/04]** Mark obtained his Bachelor of Commerce (Honours) degree from UM, is a Chartered Professional Accountant (CPA, CA) and completed the Advance Program in Management, Leadership and Strategy through the Asper School of Business Executive Education program. Mark is currently the Chief Financial Officer at Eskimo Point Lumber Supply Group (EPLS). He is an active member of the Associates as well as Financial Executives International and is part of the MBA mentorship program as well as a mentor for the CPA program. Mark supports his community through involvement with local organizations that he is passionate about. He

currently sits on the Board of Directors for the Alumni Association at the University of Manitoba. He has helped lead the board through many changes over the past few years including the creation of the first Alumni Council that will help support the new President and External Relations at the university.



### **Lasha Glennie, [BA/08, ExtEd/16]**

Lasha is a graduate of the University of Manitoba with a Bachelor of Arts and a Human Resource Management Certificate. She currently works as a Project Manager for the Manitoba Institute of Trades and Technology (MITT). In her role, she is working hard with her team to create a centre of excellence to address the labour shortage in cybersecurity and provide a hub for thought-leadership, work integrated learning, and applied research in this rapidly evolving sector. She has also volunteered with countless organizations such

as Spark, who matches community groups with volunteers who have specialized skills, You Can't Spoil a Baby, a volunteer network who collects, creates and delivers gifts of gently used baby clothes and items to help families in need (believing that every baby deserves an equal start) and Alpha Gamma Delta.



**Evan Kuz, [BFA(Hons)/90]**

Evan, owner of Sly Bird Creative Inc., has been working as a graphic designer and marketing strategy specialist since he graduated in 1990. Evan started his career working with various small to medium sized design firms, including an advertising agency near Hamburg, Germany. Evan has spent 6 years teaching a sessional course at the University of Manitoba called Design Theory and Criticism, while also mentoring design students from the UM as well as from the graphic design program at Red River College. He also been involved with some Winnipeg boards and organizations, holding many positions with the following:

- Graphic Designers of Canada, Manitoba Chapter & National Board (board chair twice);
- The University of Manitoba Alumni Association (9 years including one year as president);
- The Manitoba Theatre Centre (2 years);
- Winnipeg Santa Claus Parade Board (2 years);
- Evan is also active in the Athletics world, coaching sprints groups with the private running club Tough Track



**Efrem Teklemariam, [MEng/99]**

Efrem is a professional engineer, project management professional, fellow of Engineers Canada and the manager of water resources engineering at Manitoba Hydro. He is an alumnus of the University of Manitoba and the Delft Technical University, The Netherlands graduating with a MSc. degree in engineering from both institutions. Efrem has volunteering on several professional and non-profit organizations such as being a board member on the Citizen Council of Manitoba, 2008 Citation Citizenship recipient (an hour to Canadians for their outstanding contributions in assisting newcomers to successfully integrate into Canadian society) and a part of the academic review committee of Engineers Geoscientists Manitoba. He is one of the founding members of International Educated Engineers Qualification (IEEQ) at UM and a member of the review panel of climate change studies of NSERC projects. Over the years Efrem is a major contributor and lead to the strong and supportive relationship to the R&D of the Water Resources project and Environmental Science (\$2.1 million per year) and member of the Friends of Engineering at the University of Manitoba, which promotes the excellence and innovation in engineering.



**Peter Wheatley, [BSc(ME)/07, ExtEd/10, MBA/15]**

Peter is a young professional who has found a balance between academic excellence, family, and real world business acumen. Over the past 17 years, Peter has risen quickly to become the Vice President & General Manager of StandardAero's Helicopter businesses. His past roles include leadership positions in Engineering, Quality, Customer Service, & Sales Operations. Sports have played a key part in Peter's early success, teaching him the values of leadership, teamwork, commitment, and passion. Peter strongly believes in lifelong learning and views his role as Chair of the Alumni Association as an opportunity

to help others reconnect with the University of Manitoba.