

Meet Your Washington Heights Neighborhood Association Board of Directors



Our board members are a blend of residents who live in Washington Heights and are some of the neighborhood's most passionate and dedicated volunteers. The Board of Directors sets the course of WHNA and ensure its financial well-being. Board members meet monthly on the third Thursday of each month (January through November) and are dedicated to organizing special events and activities to promote greater community involvement.



Heidi Steeno

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Volunteering isn't something to be afraid of; it's the best way to get involved and create the community you want to live in. I've made it my mission to be an "official" unofficial ambassador of Milwaukee and Washington Heights, sharing my love for the city wherever I roam. I'm one half of the husband and wife artists and art events duo known as James Steeno Gallery and spend my spare time in my flower garden, tending to my massive houseplant collection, experimenting with new vegetarian recipes or bicycling the streets and trails of Milwaukee County.



Catherine Creighton

Board Vice President, Area 1 Representative, Membership Chair
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Born and raised in Milwaukee, followed by a decade plus stint in northwestern Michigan, I recently returned to the Good Land and feel so fortunate to have purchased a home here in the Heights. I immediately connected with the happenings of the neighborhood association and felt compelled to immerse myself in this community by joining the board. I like to help make things better, am fulfilled by being creative and curious, adore being a parent to my two kids, sweet fur-ball of a cat, partner to my bagpipe-playing husband, and enjoy caring for our new-to-us 101 year old home.



Kate Niemer

Board Secretary, At-Large Representative
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I moved to the Heights last year and have fallen in love with our vibrant community. Spooktacular, Bastille Days West, our very own neighborhood newsletter... What more can a gal want? My recent hobbies include graphic design, embroidery, upholstery, and loving old homes. Catch me walking my dog, Bailey, in Washington Park most mornings.



Sabrina Eder

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Our family has lived in the Heights since 2016, and we absolutely love this neighborhood! The growth and positive change brought about by WHNA and other community groups help to attract and retain residents to this area. We're grateful for local businesses who've established a presence and leaned into our amazing community!



Zach Madlan

Area 2 Representative
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I am happy to serve on the WHNA Board! I live on 47th Street with my wife McKenzie and our dog Bean (who you might see out running with me in the Heights!). We have lived here since 2018 and love the neighborhood. I joined the WHNA Board because I wanted to contribute to continuing the legacy of the Heights and help it grow as a community.



Charlie Bowen

Area 3 Representative
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My wife Jaime and our three kids, one dog and one three-legged cat have lived in Washington Heights since 2016. We love raising our family here and look forward to being involved in the community and doing what we can to help it grow. Bucks in six.



Olivia Smidel

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As the proud Area 5 representative for the Washington Heights Neighborhood Association, I'm thrilled to bring my passion for event planning and design to our vibrant community. I joined the association to connect with my neighbors and help bridge any gaps. My partner and I like to take our two cats, Daisy and Dexter, on walks to admire the unique charm of all the houses. Let's work together to make Washington Heights an even more wonderful place to live!



Erin Nimmer

Area 6 Representative
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I love connecting people, sparking ideas, and making things happen. Happily, this often unfolds on my bike while sharing experiences and making memories with friends. Off the bike, you'll find me crisscrossing the neighborhood with my two Border Collie rescues. As a nine-year resident of the Heights, I'm excited to see how our community continues to blossom!



Zach Wambold

Area 8 Representative
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My name is Zach, and I've lived in the Washington Heights neighborhood with my family for 4 years. I love the community environment and supporting the various businesses in the neighborhood. Glad to support the organization and looking forward to continued growth in the community.



Nicole Rodgers

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As a resident of Washington Heights since 1988, I am very proud to call this neighborhood my home! My sister and I own a duplex on Hi Mount and our fave event is casual yard parties out front. My son and I love trips to Swoon, eats at Paloma and a drink at the Draft. I have a career in motorsports marketing, and currently work at Northern Ground - a digital agency founded by another WH resident. I run our WH Neighborhood Facebook group and Buy/Sell group. See you around!



Anna Krajcik
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I've recently returned to Washington Heights after a long stint in Bay View. As a first-time homeowner, I was looking for a part of the city that was a walkable and lively neighborhood with a lot of community connections. The thing I love the most about the Heights is its community, and I want to be a part of keeping that rolling. As a graphic designer, my day job is problem solving, and that translates well to planning and strategizing how to keep the Heights as vibrant and connected in the future as it is right now. When I'm not managing my team and solving those daily visual puzzles at Core Creative, I'm playing a sport you've probably never heard of (Hurling, Roller Derby & Gaelic Football), making art at Anchor Press Paper & Print, or working on and riding my vintage motorcycles (and probably about 18,000 more DIY home projects).



Joanna Frączek
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Advocate for women in government, and cats, especially those in local shelters. I've lived in the Washington Heights neighborhood for 8 years, and I still can't get used to how pretty and enchanting it is. My partner, Joe, our 5-year-old daughter, Frankie, and I often ride our scooters around the area, stopping at playgrounds, grabbing gelato, or watching koi fish in our favorite neighborhood front yard. Fun facts: I am an attorney for the City of Milwaukee and a Polish native. I'm also an enthusiast of jogging in the warm months and polar plunges during the cold.



Jane Monfre
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Born and raised in Wauwatosa, I've always seen the Heights as a cool neighborhood filled with incredible houses and beautiful gardens. After spending time over the years across various parts of Wisconsin and Minnesota, I moved to Washington Heights in 2019 and have since gotten to know many of the neighbors here. I enjoy reading, baking and taking walks around the Heights. I am the pet mom to two very vocal and personable cats, Gizmo and Frankie.

ADDITIONAL BOARD MEMBERS



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