



Janine Brodine

Candidate for Roslyn City Council Position 6

Biography:

I had the great fortune to grown up in Issaquah and Bellevue when both were small towns. My parents came from eastern Washington, so I also appreciate that side of the state. My three sisters and I did a lot of camping so I honor the natural world. As teacher in Seattle for many years, I worked with Native American students as well as students representing 52 first language groups. My values have evolved from the people and cultures I have been associated with. Roslyn is also a unique amalgam of many cultures and political beliefs. I am part of this fabric and appreciate and hope to help preserve it.

Candidate Statement:

I am an activist, organizer, community leader and manager. For me, activism means working toward goals with direction and energy. Soon after my husband, Marc and I moved in Roslyn in 2005. Mayor Porter appointed me to the Roslyn Historical Commission. A few years later, she merged the historical and planning commissions where I continued to serve, becoming chair in 2010, a role I held for ten years. The city council charged our commission with revising a number of municipal codes, some which hadn't been reviewed since 1917. We involved the community often, holding public hearings and co-organizing community meetings about issues including vacation rentals and the use of the City Hall building.

In 2008, a number of community members formed RTown Community, a non-profit corporation. One of our events was the Roslyn Art Walk which became the Roslyn Art Festival – a group I led for ten years. When the Washington Outdoor School was

established, we served as its umbrella organization and I managed the funds.

When Kittitas County Lodging tax funds first became available, only city councilors were allowed to serve on the consolidated lodging tax committee. When no Roslyn councilors were available, I petitioned Roslyn to adopt an ordinance to allow non-councilors to serve. Once it passed, the council appointed me to represent Roslyn and I did so for four years.

I taught teens and adults in Seattle for 18 years and led a revitalization effort for Franklin High School. I wrote and received a \$250K Gates grant and chaired a team of teachers who worked in design teams to rebuild the culture and curriculum of the school, creating small learning communities where every child's gifts were recognized.

For five years I wrote and managed Toyota Family's for Learning grants totaling over two million dollars for South Seattle Community College. Using the funds we expanded an adult basic education program from one to three sites. During the last ten years of my professional career, I directed and taught in a teacher professional education program at the University of Washington which served school districts throughout western Washington.

Maintaining Roslyn's historic integrity and economic vitality can keep Roslyn vibrant for many more decades. I believe my management skills, enthusiasm and activism can be useful to the council and the community.

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