
Profile

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First Name

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Middle Initial

Shiroma

Last Name

University of California, Merced

Employer

Digital Scholarship Librarian

Job Title

Email Address

Primary PhoneAlternate Phone

Are you 18 years of age or older? (Required)

☒ Yes ☐ No

Question applies to multiple boards

Do you live within the City Limits of Merced? (Required)

☒ Yes ☐ No

Street AddressCitySuite or Apt

State

Postal Code

Question applies to multiple boards

Are you a registered voter in the City of Merced? (Required)

☒ Yes ☐ No

Which Council district do you live in?

☒ District 6

Are you currently serving on a Board or Commission? If so, please list:

Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Arts and Culture Advisory Commission: Submitted

Communication

The City of Merced uses email as a preferred method of communication regarding your application. Is this acceptable to you?

☒ Yes ☐ No

If you selected no, please identify how you would like to be contacted:

Interests & Experiences

Tell us about yourself, and why you are applying for this particular Board or Commission:

I have long been an advocate for the creative arts. I have worked with numerous publishers, authors, and artists to promote their works and publications. I believe that my experience as an organizer and advocate can help this Board make sure that the arts in Merced are nourished and thrive.

Please list your current employer and relevant volunteer experience.

I am currently the Digital Scholarship Librarian at the University of California, Merced. For over two decades, I have been heavily involved in a number of literary initiatives, some of them international. I have experience organizing literary and arts events; I have given numerous talks and workshops; and I have been a tireless advocate for the literary arts in several communities across the US. I have been the editor of a small publishing project since 1997, and, as part of that project, currently edit a literary arts journal dedicated to works in translation. These projects illustrate my dedication not only to supporting the creative arts, but also my dedication to supporting and promoting a diversity of voices from countless parts of the world.

What is your understanding of the roles and responsibilities of this Board or Commission?

I understand the values that a board like this brings to a community, and the importance that the creative arts have in helping to define, and renew, a community's sense of value. By supporting community members' creative aspirations, and by promoting events and other programming centered on the creative arts, a board such as this one provides avenues through which a community's vision can be advanced.

Do you have experience or special knowledge pertaining to this Board or Commission?

Aside from my previously noted editorial and creative work, I also have experience, through my current job, in thinking about the challenges present in things like the preservation of cultural works. I have also had extensive experience in designing and creative promotional and outreach materials, both print and online.

Any other comments you would like to add that may assist the City Council in their decision?


Upload a Resume

Requirements

Statement of Economic Interests - FPPC Form 700

☒ I Agree *

How did you hear about this vacancy? *

☒ A Friend

If you selected other, please indicate how you learned about the vacancy:

Demographics

Ethnicity

☒ Asian or Pacific Islander

Gender

☒ Male


Date of Birth

Submission

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I declare under penalty of disqualification or termination that all statements in this application are true and complete to the best of my knowledge.