



City of Rochester Hills

CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE

NAME KELLY LYONS COUNCIL DISTRICT 2

DATE NOVEMBER 25, 2015 ROCHESTER HILLS RESIDENT FOR 2 1/2 YEARS

OCCUPATION CURATOR OF EDUCATION, CRANBROOK ART MUSEUM

INTERESTS/REASONS/QUALIFICATIONS

I am interested in serving R.H. to support the thriving community that I carefully selected because of the quality of the built environment, schools, and green spaces when I relocated to the area in 2013. I would like to help R.H. maintain the positive qualities that drew me to the community and support the city in future improvements.

BOARDS/COMMISSIONS/COMMITTEES ON WHICH YOU HAVE SERVED (LIST MUNICIPALITIES AND DATES)

R.H. HISTORIC DISTRICTS COMMISSION (2013 - 2016)

ELECTIVE OFFICES THAT YOU HAVE HELD

NA

OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

BOARD OF DIRECTORS, ASSOCIATION OF ARCHITECTURE ORGANIZATIONS (CURRENT)
BOARD OF TRUSTEES, PITTSBURGH HISTORY & LANDMARKS FOUNDATION (2010-2013)
My experience with these architecture and preservation organizations has increased my interest in local government and my understanding of the importance each decision has on the quality of our community.

PERTINENT EDUCATION

B. of ARCHITECTURE, CARNEGIE MELLON UNIVERSITY
M.S. in EDUCATION, DUQUESNE UNIVERSITY
CANDIDATE FOR PHD in ARCHITECTURE, CARNEGIE MELLON UNIVERSITY

HOBBIES/INTERESTS

ARCHITECTURE, ART, & DESIGN

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE AS ARCHITECT & EDUCATOR (FACULTY AT CARNEGIE MELLON UNIV. PRIOR TO CRANBROOK). RELOCATED TO R.H. FROM PITTSBURGH IN 2013 TO ACCEPT POSITION AS CURATOR OF EDUCATION @ CRANBROOK ART MUSEUM.

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CRANBROOK ACADEMY OF ART & ART MUSEUM

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Cranbrook Art Museum Welcomes New Curator of Education

Bloomfield Hills, Mich., July 25, 2013 – Cranbrook Art Museum has announced that Kelly Lyons has accepted the position of Curator of Education. Lyons plans to expand the educational programs and offerings at Cranbrook Art Museum and develop a new community outreach program targeted to K-12 students across the region and throughout the Cranbrook Educational Community.

“The addition of Kelly Lyons to our staff shows Cranbrook’s continuing commitment to bringing art and design education to our surrounding communities,” said Gregory Wittkopp, Director of Cranbrook Art Museum and the Cranbrook Center for Collections and Research. “She will not only develop a series programs that will align our collections with the curriculum of the schools in the region, with an



emphasis on the struggling and underserved districts, but also ensure that each of our upcoming exhibitions is accompanied by a series of educational programs that will make the exhibition come alive to our visitors. We are thrilled she has joined our staff.”

Lyons comes to Cranbrook from Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh, where she spent nine years serving as the Coordinator of K-12 Outreach, as well as Program Director of “Architecture Explorations,” a series of architecture programs that included summer camps, Saturday programs and community partnerships. She has served as Program Director of UDream, an 18-week urban design residency program for recent college graduates, and also served as an Adjunct Assistant Professor, teaching the required freshman seminar, “Architecture Edition.”

Lyons holds a Bachelor of Architecture degree with a philosophy double major and industrial design minor from Carnegie Mellon University, a Master of Science in Educational Studies from Duquesne University in Pittsburgh and is a candidate for the Ph.D. in Architecture at Carnegie Mellon University where her research focus is on architectural education for K-12 students.

Among other projects, she developed and wrote the national curriculum guide for the PBS program, *10 Buildings that Changed America*.

One of Lyon’s first projects will be to assist with the recently announced lecture series to accompany the Museum’s current exhibition: *Michigan Modern™: Design that Shaped America*. Beginning on Sept. 15 and running through Oct. 13, the Museum will host a lecture every Sunday at 4 p.m. Sponsored by Cranbrook Art Museum and the Cranbrook Center for Collections and Research, in association with the Michigan State Historic Preservation Office, the lecture series highlights Michigan’s outstanding contributions to Modern design and the stories of the people who made it happen. For specific lecture details, visit our website www.cranbrookartmuseum.org.

About Cranbrook Art Museum

Cranbrook Art Museum is located at 39221 Woodward Avenue, on the campus of Cranbrook Educational Community in Bloomfield Hills. It is an integral part of Cranbrook Academy of Art, a community of Artists-in-Residence and graduate-level students of art, design and architecture. The Art Museum, which was established in 1930 and opened in its current building in 1942, is Eliel Saarinen’s final masterwork at Cranbrook. Today, the Art Museum presents original exhibitions and educational programming on modern and contemporary architecture, art, crafts, and design, as well as traveling exhibitions, films, workshops, travel tours, and lectures by renowned artists, designers, artists, and critics throughout the year. In 2011, the Art Museum completed a three-year \$22 million construction project that includes both the restoration of the Saarinen-design building and a new state-of-the-art

Collections Wing addition. Cranbrook Archives and the offices of the new Cranbrook Center for Collections and Research also are located within the Art Museum. For more information, visit www.cranbrook.edu.