



DJC BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2017 NOMINEE BIOGRAPHIES

TAMMI GERACI

Tammi has been an active member of the DJC community since 2013 when she joined, having eagerly served as a volunteer. Soon after becoming a member Tammi joined the Member Engagement Committee and has since facilitated in bringing engaging programs to the DJC including Jewish Folk Dancing and the DJC Chai Party. She became the Co-Chair of the Member Engagement Committee in 2016. Tammi marched with the DJC in the 2014 World Pride Parade and co-founded the DJC Pride Committee in 2016, of which she is the Co-Chair. This Committee develops initiatives where the DJC can be supportive of our LGBTQ members. Since 2014, Tammi has also been a regular voice singing with the DJC Community Choir throughout the year and at the High Holy Days.

Having obtained an Honours Degree in Recording Arts Management from the Harris Institute for the Arts in Toronto, Tammi has since managed diverse artists. Tammi is involved in writing original folk/rock songs for performance and publication. Her artistry also includes constructing window ornaments using crystals, precious stones, and refashioned jewellery and, as well, she is an accredited professional cook.

Tammi is enthusiastic and brings fresh vitality to the Board with a vision of what will enhance our sense of community and belonging.

AMELIA GOLDEN

Amelia has been attending the DJC for over a decade. The DJC gave her a place and a motivation to re-embrace her Judaism after become disaffected as a youth. As an east-ender, Amelia was thrilled to find a religious home that resonated, not only on a spiritual level but on a social justice one as well. Amelia feels the embrace of the DJC as its open arms gathers in the diversity of Judaism that resides in this city.

Professionally, Amelia is a lawyer with an exclusive practice in Workplace Harassment Investigations and Mediations. With a passion for Human Rights, Amelia has previously sat on a number of boards and committees, including at the Barbra Schlifer Commemorative Clinic and the City of Toronto's Committee for LGBTQ issues. As a busy single mom to twin boys, becoming a Board Member at the DJC is her first foray back into "giving back" in awhile, slightly shifting her world away from skateboard parks and video games.

JANICE GLADSTONE

Janice found her way to the DJC as she sought to become more active with Judaism in recent years and wanted something more progressive than the small, orthodox shul her extended family was attending. She has been a member since 2011 and her children are going through the B'Nei Mitzvah program (2017 and 2019).

Janice is the principal at The Linden School — a progressive, not-for-profit K-12 girls' school in central Toronto whose mission and values are very similar to the DJC's. Janice has been an educator in public and private schools since 1994 and before that was in medical engineering.

Janice is committed to fitness and wishes she had more time for sports, especially squash, which she played competitively in university, and long-distance running. She loves singing and playing guitar and has a long history of studying music.

MINDY HARRIS

Mindy Harris has been involved with the DJC since its earliest days. Even while spending a dozen years in Japan, she and her two children planned their yearly migration to share in the DJC High Holiday experience with the community here in Toronto. Now back in Toronto since 2012, she has been delighted to discover the joys of being a part of the DJC year-round and is proud to contribute to a Jewish organization that is welcoming, diverse, forward-thinking, inclusive, and thoughtful. Both her daughters are also active members.

Mindy brings over 25 years of business experience to the Board with positions that have included being a director at a multinational company, consulting, partnership building, and facilitating seminars around the world. She is known for taking on ambitious projects such as building a road up a mountain through a national park and assembling a crew to bake and sell hundreds of bagels to raise funds for a pre-school.

When not otherwise engaged, Mindy is typically found at the yoga or dance studio, spending time with her children, fostering kittens, gardening, or inventing a new dish in the kitchen.