

ARTS & SCIENCE COUNCIL ADVISORY COUNCILS
At-Large Slot

Vote on nominees listed below, nominated at the July 2, 2019 meeting.

One (1) appointment to fill an unexpired term expiring June 30, 2020

Nominees	Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Round 4
Nan Byars District 3 (White)				
Alex Cruz District 5 (Mixed Race)				
Janice Davidson District 1 (Black)				
Sabrina Kuroda District 4 (Other Diverse)				
Erin Smith District 2 (Black)				
Current Membership Demographics: District 1 (1) - District 2 (2) – District 3 (2) – District 4 (1) – District 5 (1) – District 6 (2) White (3) – Black (6) Female (7) – Male (2)				

ARTS & SCIENCE ADVISORY COUNCILS

At-Large Slot Nominees



Central Region:
District 3
At-Large

Mecklenburg County Advisory Board Application

- **Name of Advisory Board:** Arts and Science Advisory Council
- **Name:** Nan Byars
- **Home address:** 7117 Leaves Lane
- **City:** Charlotte
- **Zip code:** 28213
- **Home Phone:** 704-604-8741
- **Work Phone:** 704-604-8741
- **Email:** nanbyars@yahoo.com
- **Occupation:** Professor Emeritus
- **Place of employment:** UNCC
- **Race:** White
- **Sex:** Female
- **Age:** 62
- **Hours per month available for position:** 10
- **County advisory board currently serving on:** None
- **Expiration date:** N/A
- **Education:** Masters
- **How did you learn of this vacancy?** Other
- **If you selected Other, please explain:** Email from Arts and Science Advisory Council
- **Business and civic experience:** I am a newly retired UNC Charlotte Professor of Mechanical Engineering Technology, having taught there for 26 years. For thirteen years, I served as Program Director of Mechanical Engineering Technology, and have experience facilitating that group. My areas of research have included technical literacy and energy conservation. I taught a service-learning course for eleven years where students performed energy audits for local businesses. I am a CMS Northstar Reading Buddy volunteer. I also am an amateur artist myself and am passionate about the arts.
- **Areas of expertise and interests/skills:**
I believe I can add value to the council as someone with well-established ties to UNC Charlotte and local industry and significant leadership and administrative experience. I think I could bring a unique perspective as a person with a science background and a passion for and interest in the arts.
- **Am I a current vendor with Mecklenburg County?** No
- **County Commission District:** 3
- **I, hereby, authorize Mecklenburg County to verify all information included in this application. I certify that the information contained in this application is true and correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that this**

application is subject to the N.C. Public Records Law (NCGS 132-1) and may be released upon request. I agree

- **Signature of applicant:** Nan Byars
- **Date:** 5/16/2019

**South/East Region:
District 5
At-Large**



Mecklenburg County Advisory Board Application

- **Name of Advisory Board:** Arts and Science Advisory Council
- **Name:** Alex Cruz
- **Home address:** 7021 Garden Terrace Court
- **City:** Charlotte
- **Zip code:** 28210
- **Home Phone:** 704-258-2200
- **Work Phone:** 704-258-2200
- **Email:** cruz.alexandria@gmail.com
- **Occupation:** Corporate Relations Officer
- **Place of employment:** Umar
- **Race:** White-Puerto Rican (Mixed Race)
- **Sex:** Female
- **Age:** 32
- **Hours per month available for position:** 2-5 hours, flexible
- **County advisory board currently serving on:** None
- **Expiration date:** N/A
- **Education:** Master, Art Therapy and Counseling, George Washington University
- **How did you learn of this vacancy?** Other
- **If you selected Other, please explain:** Email from Arts and Science Council
- **Business and civic experience:** I am applying to serve on the ASC Advisory Council on behalf of mental health and intellectual disabilities populations in Mecklenburg County. I am an art therapist, living in Charlotte and working as Corporate Relations Officer for UMAR, a non-profit organization serving adults with disabilities. Prior to this role I worked for the ASC in Corporate Relations and have a passion for helping individuals grow and connect through the arts.
I would appreciate the opportunity to represent mental health and intellectual disabilities populations as an ASC Advisory Council Member. Thank you for your consideration!
- **Areas of expertise and interests/skills:** Most notably, As Program Director I worked to expand and strengthen an integrative arts program for adults with disabilities in South End called UMAR Arts Charlotte for five years prior to joining ASC. I am an avid participant in Coffee and Conversation at Mental Health America and am very well versed in the human services as it relates to our communities and the arts.
- **Am I a current vendor with Mecklenburg County?** No
- **County Commission District:** 5
- **I, hereby, authorize Mecklenburg County to verify all information included in this application. I certify that the information contained in this application is true and**

correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that this application is subject to the N.C. Public Records Law (NCGS 132-1) and may be released upon request. I agree

- **Signature of applicant:** Alex Cruz
- **Date:** 5/16/2019



North/West Region:
District 1
At-Large

Mecklenburg County Advisory Board Application

- **Name of Advisory Board:** Arts and Science Advisory Council
- **Name:** Janice Davidson
- **Home address:** 8713 Canter Post Drive,
- **City:** Charlotte
- **Zip code:** 28216
- **Home Phone:** 7049576856
- **Work Phone:** N/A
- **Email:** janice27davidson@aol.com
- **Occupation:** Retired Principal
- **Place of employment:** Formerly Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools
- **Race:** Black
- **Sex:** Female
- **Age:** 66
- **Hours per month available for position:** My schedule is flexible - Possibly up to 10- 12 hours per month.
- **County advisory board currently serving on:** None
- **Expiration date:** N/A
- **Education:** BA Music Education: North Carolina Central University; MA in Educational Administration and Curriculum and Instruction UNC- Charlotte
- **How did you learn of this vacancy?** Other
- **If you selected Other, please explain:** Email from Arts and Science Advisory Council
- **Business and civic experience:** Prior to becoming a principal within Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools (CMS), I served as a liaison between CMS and Charlotte (North Carolina) Opera.
- **Areas of expertise and interests/skills:** I am a strong advocate for education and believe that the arts, plus the academics are very important. This holds true, not only for our children, but for the greater Charlotte community. Personally, I am still a very active and vibrant musician and I play for a church in the Huntersville area. I also have experience performing and prior experience singing with the North Carolina Opera. In my spare time I write music and poetry.
- **Am I a current vendor with Mecklenburg County?** No
- **County Commission District:** 1
- **I, hereby, authorize Mecklenburg County to verify all information included in this application. I certify that the information contained in this application is true and correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that this application is subject to the N.C. Public Records Law (NCGS 132-1) and may be released upon request. I agree**

- **Signature of applicant:** Janice Lynn Davidson
- **Date:** 5/30/2019



Central Region:
District 4
At-Large

Mecklenburg County Advisory Board Application

- **Name of Advisory Board:** Arts and Science Advisory Board
- **Name:** Sabrina Kuroda
- **Home address:** 1700 Amherst Place Apt. 202
- **City:** Charlotte
- **Zip code:** 28204
- **Home Phone:** 814-873-6545
- **Work Phone:** 980-209-8895
- **Email:** SabrinaKuroda@gmail.com
- **Occupation:** Recycling Coordinator
- **Place of employment:** Republic Services
- **Race:** diverse
- **Sex:** female
- **Age:** 55
- **Hours per month available for position:** depends on the need
- **County advisory board currently serving on:** n/a
- **Expiration date:** n/a
- **Education:** Master in Curriculum and Instruction
- **How did you learn of this vacancy?** Arts and Science Newsletter
- **If you selected Other, please explain:** n/a
- **Business and civic experience:** Erie, PA
Human Relations Commission- Advisory Board
Erie Port Authority- Advisory Board
YMCA Program Committee- Advisory Board
Family Services "Mother to Mother" -Advisory Board
Child Link- Co-Chair
Regional Government Opportunity Task Force of Erie for Economic Development
Northwest Pennsylvania Freedom Institute -Board Member
YMCA Program Committee- Advisory
- **Areas of expertise and interests/skills:** Program development and implementation, marketing, customer service, community relations
- **Am I a current vendor with Mecklenburg County?** no
- **County Commission District:** 4
- **I, hereby, authorize Mecklenburg County to verify all information included in this application. I certify that the information contained in this application is true and correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that this application is subject to the N.C. Public Records Law (NCGS 132-1) and may be released upon request. I agree**
- **Signature of applicant:** Sabrina Kuroda

- **Date: May 31, 2019**

Sabrina Kuroda

Below, please find past board and advisory board participation in Erie, PA.

Professional Certifications and Trainings

- Ken Davis Dynamic Communicator's Workshop
- Christian Apologetic Distant Learning Certificate at Biola University
- Family Focused Early Intervention Leadership Training – Pennsylvania Department of Health
- **Leadership Erie** – Gannon University
- **Project Blueprint Leadership** – United Way
- Cable Access Television Workshop – Cable Access Television
- Collective Advocacy Training – Pennsylvania Developmental Disability Council
- YMCA Active Older Adults Instructor (2006)* YMCA Cardio/Step Instructor (2006)* YMCA Personal Trainer (2006) *YMCA Healthy Lifestyles Training (2006)* YMCA Group Fitness Instructor (2006)* YMCA CPR (2006) *YMCA First Aid (2006)
- Integrated Therapies Workshop (Gannon University)
- Developing Pro-Social Behavior Using Children Literature Workshop – Edinboro University

Boards, Clubs and Organizations

- Human Relations Commission- **Advisory Board**
- Erie Port Authority- **Advisory Board**
- YMCA Program Committee- **Advisory Board**
- Family Services "Mother to Mother" -**Advisory Board**
- Child Link- **Co-Chair**
- Regional Government Opportunity Task Force of Erie for Economic Development
- Northwest Pennsylvania Freedom Institute -**Board Member**
- NAACP- Past Member

Community Service and Volunteerism

- Erie Philharmonic- Usher
- Women's Ministry- Director
- Women's Home Bible Study (Aglow International)- Teacher
- Children's Ministry- Director
- Sunday School- Teacher
- Parent to Parent Peer Counselor for children with disabilities
- Missionary – Cairo, Egypt and Mexico City, Mexico
- Licensed Minister
- Erie Philharmonic- Usher

duty of Advisory Council members. A member of an Advisory Council may also appear in news media promoting the new, growing or changing cultural community and its hub: ASC. Having well-respected, well-known representatives act as ambassadors for ASC and the cultural sector builds local knowledge, interest, support and relevance.

Qualification of Advisory Council Members – Members of ASC’s Advisory Councils should reflect a wide spectrum of community members to ensure a diversity of views and opinions. Some Advisory Council members may be invited to sit on ASC Board Committees and/or Grant Panels in addition to serving on their Advisory Council. ASC’s Governance Committee will work with appointing bodies to articulate the skill sets needed and will nominate additional members as required to fill Advisory Council seats.

Expectations of Advisory Council Members:

- Passionate about the arts and culture along with conviction and clarity to speak for ASC/cultural community; can clearly articulate the strategic vision of ASC and its connection to the region and the connection between a vibrant cultural community and economic vitality.
- Effectively collaborates.
- Connects people to arts, science, history, and heritage; and able to transform passion into action on others’ part.
- Solution-oriented, can articulate clarity amidst complexity.
- Demonstrates facilitation skill: Knows how to create a safe space and atmosphere of contribution, can treat all members as equal voices, knows how to make space in every meeting for meaningful discourse.
- Can effectively advocate for that region/sector to the Board.
- Respectful of diverse opinions. Ability to see from different perspectives, appreciate and draw out views and make connections among different points of view, has courage to express a different point of view, strong active listening capacity.
- Willing and able to make their participation a priority in their schedule.
- Wants to participate, is a learner.
- Has the ability to lead, contribute, participate and build consensus in a variety of complex discussions with various stakeholders.
- Knows and has credibility with people in the regional community. Preference for regional councils that leaders are a respected leader in that community.
- Appreciates the benefit of a diverse Council.
- Considers a gift to ASC or a regional cultural organization.



North/West Region:
District 2
At-Large

Mecklenburg County Advisory Board Application

- **Name of Advisory Board:** Arts and Science Advisory Council
- **Name:** Erin Smith
- **Home address:** 6932 Agnew Drive
- **City:** Charlotte
- **Zip code:** 28273
- **Home Phone:** 980-388-5268
- **Work Phone:** 980-388-5268
- **Email:** erin.l.smith@baml.com
- **Occupation:** Vice President, Development officer
- **Place of employment:** Bank of America
- **Race:** Black
- **Sex:** Female
- **Age:** 35
- **Hours per month available for position:** 5-10 hr
- **County advisory board currently serving on:** None
- **Expiration date:** N/A
- **Education:** Bachelor in Accounting, MBA, Corporate Finance Real Estate and Strategy.
- **How did you learn of this vacancy?** Other
- **If you selected Other, please explain:** Email from Arts and Science Advisory Council
- **Business and civic experience:** List of Volunteer and Leadership Positions:
 - 2017 ASC Fund Raising Team coordinator for the Bank of America Global Commercial Bank Charlotte team alongside Ellen Rogers
 - Goodwill of The Southern Piedmont (Mock Interview and Resume Review)
 - Trees Charlotte: Tree Ambassador,
 - Trees Charlotte: Tree Store Neighborwoods event in Berewick held Saturday February 23, 2019 which resulted in over 215 Trees being planted by homeowners in and around the Berewick community.
 - Bank of America National liaison spearheading the Better Money Habits program to Low and Moderate Income residents in Community Development Banking financed communities through Bank of Americas ESG Initiative. (these workshops and curriculum provide the social capital necessary for true sustainable economic mobility. These partnership driven initiatives empower residents in the areas of job opportunities, career development, mentoring, financial knowhow, credit and budget training, BAML mobile app. training, and more.
 - Hands on Charlotte Volunteer
 - Bank of America Black Professional Group (BPG)
 - ULI Carolinas Regional Young Leaders Council

-ULI Spring 2018 Charlotte's Young Emerging Leadership Forum
-West Charlotte High School (Senior Presentation Judge) Volunteer
-Christmas Toys for Tots Volunteer/Toy Deliverer in partnership with the Lancaster, PA Police Department. (Since 2014)

-NYU Stern Women in Business

-NYU Stern Executive MBA Class Representative

- **Areas of expertise and interests/skills:** I have a passion for the arts, coming from a long line of singers. My mother was born and raised in Charlotte and she used to sing the circuit here in Charlotte while my sister is a musician in the Baltimore area. I have always loved the arts and I recognize the importance and influence that it has on our communities but especially our youth. I would be honored to have the opportunity to serve on the ASC council for this term.
- **Am I a current vendor with Mecklenburg County?** No
- **County Commission District:** 2
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- **Signature of applicant:** Erin Smith
- **Date:** 5/20/2019

Mecklenburg County

Advisory Boards, Committees and Commissions

Board Appointments Due

Renewals From 7/1/2019 To 7/31/2019

ARTS & SCIENCE ADVISORY COUNCILS

Number of BOCC Members: 10

Term Length in Years: 2

Purpose

Arts & Science Advisory Councils are chaired by Arts & Science Council Board members and are responsible and accountable for input, feedback and recommendations to the Arts & Science Council (ASC) Board so the cultural community is aligned with the needs of local communities. Advisory Councils shall meet a minimum of twice annually and once annually with the Arts & Science Council Board.

There are three types of Advisory Councils:

- Public Sector – representing the region geographically: North/West, Central, and South/East
- Private Sector – representing funders-individual, small business, corporate and foundation
- Cultural Sector – representing arts, science, history and heritage organizations receiving ASC grants, creative individuals (artists, scientists, historians), colleges/universities, CMS and the Public Art Commission.

The BOCC has ten (10) appointments, consisting of four (4) At-Large slots which can be filled by anyone, regardless of the district they reside in; and six (6) District slots grouped together by regions as follows: North/West (Districts 1 & 2), Central (Districts 3 & 4), & South/East (Districts 5 & 6).

Qualifications

Persons interested in serving as a district representative must reside within that District and must be a resident of Mecklenburg County.

The Mecklenburg County resident requirement applies to At-Large representatives as well.

Special Notes **APPOINTMENT NEEDED TO FILL:**

One (1) unexpired term expiring June 30, 2020 (At-Large slot)

1 Appointment(s) For 2 Year Term:

Name	Qualifications	Appointed:	Expires	Eligibility
Starr, Tyler	(AL)	4/5/2016	06/30/2020	Has not met attendance requireme

ARTS & SCIENCE ADVISORY COUNCILS Applicants:

Name	BOCC Dist	Qualifications	Race/Sex
Ashe-Suber, Natasha	1	(NW)	B / F
Beyazyurek, Andrea	4	(AL)	A / F
Boss, James Neil	4	(AL)	W / M
Byars, Nan	3	(CENT)(AL)	W / F

Mecklenburg County

Advisory Boards, Committees and Commissions

Board Appointments Due

Renewals From 7/1/2019 To 7/31/2019

ARTS & SCIENCE ADVISORY COUNCILS Applicants:

Name	BOCC Dist	Qualifications	Race/Sex
Crider, Ron	4	(CENT)(AL)	W / M
Cruz, Alex	5	(SE)(AL)	MI / F
Cummings, Sara	1	(NW)(AL)	W / F
Davidson, Janice	1	(NW)(AL)	B / F
Dilman, Deborah	5	(SE)(AL)	W / F
Fleener, Wendi	4	(CENT)(AL)	W / F
Fournier, Kinsey	5	(SE)(AL)	W / F
Garcia, Alejandra	5	(SE)(AL)	H / F
Gingrich, Maha	2	(NW)(AL)	AI / F
Hillier, Kate	4	(CENT)(AL)	W / F
James, Elizabeth	1	(NW)(AL)	W / F
Kuroda, Sabrina	4	(CENT)(AL)	O / F
Lewis, Apryl	2	(NW)(AL)	O / F
McCully, Juliana	1	(NW)(AL)	W / F
Medina, Adriana	5	(SE)(AL)	H / F
Ojo, Michael	2	(NW)(AL)	B / M
Pate, Kathy	2	(NW)(AL)	B / F
Shook, Martha Jean	2	(NW)(AL)	W / F
Sigmon, Allene	5	(SE)(AL)	W / F
Simolin, George	1	(NW)(AL)	W / M
Smith, Casey	4	(CENT)(AL)	W / M
Smith, Erin	2	(NW)(AL)	B / F
Walcott, Danielle	3	(CENT)(AL)	B / F
Washko, Peggy	4	(CENT)(AL)	W / F
Williams, Katherine	4	(CENT)(AL)	W / F
Williams, Shalinda	6	(SE)(AL)	B / F

ARTS & SCIENCE ADVISORY COUNCILS Members:

Name (* = Chairman)	BOCC Dist	Qualifications	Race/Sex	Appointed	Expires	Elig Code	Expired Position
Berry, Erique	3	(AL)	B / F	8/8/2018	6/30/2020	EL	
Brown, Sabrina	6	(SE-AL)	B / F	3/16/2016	6/30/2020	NE	
Butler, Tamara	2	(NW-D2)	B / F	3/16/2016	6/30/2020	NE	
Homesley, Shannon	3	(CENT)	W / F	7/2/2019	6/30/2020	UEL	
Labiner, Howard	6	(SE-D6)	W / M	3/16/2016	6/30/2020	NE	
Lytch, Mary	5	(SE-D5)	W / F	7/2/2019	6/30/2020	UEL	
Rice, Donna	1	(NW-D1)	B / F	7/2/2019	6/30/2020	UEL	
Starr, Tyler	1	(AL)	W / M	4/5/2016	6/30/2020	AT	<--
Thomas, Philip	2	(AL)	B / M	8/8/2018	6/30/2020	EL	
Wicker, Betty	4	(CENT)	B / F	7/2/2019	6/30/2020	UEL	