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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Library Work

Seattle Public Library (SPL), Magazines & Newspapers Department (Jan. 2007-present)

- Reference work at the MNP desk and in the Mixing Chamber (general reference)
- E-shift: reference work through QuestionPoint and email
- Collection weeding, magazine display assistance, periodicals display design

Elisabeth C. Miller Library, University of Washington Botanic Gardens (Jan. 2006-present)

- Reference work at the desk, on the phone, and through QuestionPoint and email
- Management of the serials collection, including Access database and subscriptions

Classroom teaching

Two years teaching logic and critical thinking to undergraduates

- Department of Philosophy, University of Washington, Seattle, WA (1988-1990)

Six years teaching middle school and high school math and science

- The Bush School—life science and math, sixth and seventh grade, Seattle, WA (1991-1994)
- The Lakeside School—earth science, eighth grade, Seattle, WA (1989)
- The Colorado Rocky Mountain School—biology, algebra, and geometry, ninth and tenth grade, Carbondale, CO (1984-1987)

Environmental education and experiential learning

Ten years teaching middle and high school students

- The Bush School—mountain biking, sailing, skiing, backcountry camping skills and safety (1991-1994)
- The Lakeside School—cycling, canoeing, skiing, and backcountry skills (1989-1993); cycling trip to Greece and Turkey (1993)
- The Colorado Rocky Mountain School—service projects and multi-week trips on foot and skis; ranch work on school and private property (1984-1987)

Management of educational programs

Academic

- Program Director, Independent Projects, The Colorado Rocky Mountain School (1984-1987)
- College Counselor, The Colorado Rocky Mountain School (1984-1987)

Non-academic

- Program Director, Middle School Outdoor Program, The Bush School (1991-1994)
- Logistics Coordinator, Outdoor Programs, The Colorado Rocky Mountain School (1984-1987)

Service Projects

- Organized and supervised a habitat restoration project for high school students (five weeks), The Student Conservation Association, Mt. Hood, OR (1989)
- Coordinated yearly service projects with the US Forest Service and the US Bureau of Land Management, The Colorado Rocky Mountain School (1984-1987)

Garden design and maintenance

Seattle Public Library (SPL), Seattle, WA (1994-2007)

- Designed entry gardens at three renovated Carnegie Libraries (2001-2004)
- Initiated, organized, and conducted a plant salvaging project, saving over 300 trees and shrubs from the downtown library site in Seattle (1999-2001)
- **Honored** by the City of Seattle with a Seattle Works! Award for Inspiration for transplanting and donating trees and shrubs from the downtown library site (2001)

University of Washington (1990-1993)

- Maintained gardens on campus and on the Walker Ames Estate

Self-employed (1990-2003)

- Designed landscapes and consulted about maintenance; emphasized the use of drought tolerant and native plants and pesticide-free maintenance practices

RECENT TEACHING AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Trainer—Intellectual Freedom Training for staff, Seattle Public Library (2003-present)

Assistant Trainer—SPL Magazines & Newspapers Databases classes for patrons (2007)

Volunteer—FamilyWorks family resource center, Wallingford—computer tutor (2005-2006)

Volunteer—University of Washington Botanic Gardens, Union Bay Campus and Elisabeth C. Miller Library (2004-2006)

Co-presenter—“Ensuring Access: Training all Library Staff on Intellectual Freedom,” Public Library Association 10th Annual Conference, Seattle, WA (2004)

Conference Presenter—“Pesticide-free Landscapes Program in Seattle: Public Libraries”:

- Northwest Coalition for Alternative to Pesticides, Portland, OR (2004)
- International Northwest Parks and Recreation Association, Seattle, WA (2004)

Member—Horticulture Advisory Board, Department of School to Work, Seattle Public Schools (1999-2003; chair 2000-2003)

Planner and Facilitator—landscape improvement projects, undertaken with students at Nathan Hale High School, Seattle, WA (1999-2001)

Assistant—Seattle Public Library landscape improvement projects, undertaken with Seattle Public Utilities EcoTeam, a group of disadvantaged teens hired each summer (2000, 2001)

EDUCATION

MLIS, University of Washington, March 2006

MA, philosophy, University of Washington, 1990 (scholarship 1988, TA 1988-1990)

BA, environmental studies/biology, Middlebury College, 1984 (cum laude)