

Bio

Stuart Mackinnon BA 1980

A lifelong learner, Stuart graduated from UVic in 1980 with a BA and later earned a BEd ('90 Concordia) and MAEd ('10 Phoenix). Elected as a Commissioner to the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation in 2008-11, 2014-18, and 2018-22, he also served as a Trustee of the Vancouver Public Library Board in 2009-10 and 2018-22. In addition, Stuart was a Governor of the Vancouver Botanical Gardens Association [VBGA], and a board member of the Wilderness Committee and the Society Promoting Environmental Conservation [SPEC].

An educator for more than 30 years, Stuart taught for the Cree School Board/Commission scolaire crie in the James Bay region of northern Quebec, in Surrey [SD 36], and Vancouver [SD 39]. He retired as the Special Education Department Head at Killarney Secondary [Vancouver] in 2019. From 2019 to 2021 he was an assistant to the Hon. Jody Wilson-Raybould MP. Now a resident of North Saanich, Stuart was appointed to the North Saanich District Commissions Review Working Group in 2024.