

On behalf of the Members Services Committee, I am pleased to report that the 2022-2023 Edmonton Folk Music Festival Society currently has 156 members. The Committee thanks the Board and Staff for their support.

The Member Services Committee continues their work pertaining to:

1. Communications between the Board and the Society Members which is achieved through the Society Members Facebook Group , newsletters, notices and Member surveys.
2. Assisting with organizing Member events such as the Annual General Meeting (AGM), Members Preview Event and Members and Coordinators Appreciation Party.
3. Promoting growth in Society membership and assisting with member renewals.
4. Encouraging member participation at the AGM by working with EFMF staff to promote, collect candidate biographies & arrange distribution to members prior to the AGM.

We encourage engagement from our members and want to remind you of the perks from your membership.

- Insights into the operation and goals of our festival
- Advocacy for our festival through committee work and running for positions on our Board
- Members only events
- Occasional ticket giveaways
- Comradery by way of our Facebook group and sharing of local arts and music events
- Voting rights at the AGM

In February of this year we had a 2 day casino fundraising opportunity. This would not have been possible without the generous support of our volunteers. Almost 40 people showed up at all hours of the day and night to ensure our success. I cannot tell you how impressed I was with the hours people worked and the great fun attitude they brought with them.

I want to thank members of the committee for their continuing support: Karen Kennedy, Vicky Rogers, Dave Fisher, Colleen Emmott, Lee Bale, Amanda Holt, Shamair Turner, Heather Wright and Michelle Hollands.

This year I especially want to thank Michelle Hollands and Colleen Emmott for their years on this committee. Colleen and Michelle are retiring from the committee after being an asset for years.

Also a thank you to the EFMF office staff, primarily, Marianne Stover and Jamie Pruden, who are a constant resource.

If you have any feedback or new ideas, please come see me after the meeting or feel free to contact me by email jday@edmontonfolkfest.org.

We welcome any members who would like to discuss with me about joining our committee.

Jill Day

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