

# 2021 Annual General Meeting

## Board of Directors Candidate Profiles

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### Malcolm Bernstein

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For much of the past three years, I have had the privilege to serve as Board Chair of Toronto Humane Society. During this time, THS approved an exciting new strategic plan and successfully navigated the pandemic with great care for staff, animals, fosters and other volunteers. My hope is to continue to contribute to the evolution of THS as a leader in animal welfare and a capacity builder for the sector. In so doing, I will be honoured to serve an organization led by an exceptional management team and overseen by a great Board, dedicated to representing the interests of our members, improving the lives of animals, and contributing to advancing the human-animal bond.

### Krista Bulmer

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It has been my pleasure to serve on Toronto Humane Society Board for one term, most recently as President. As a long time supporter and past adopter, it has been exciting to watch Toronto Humane Society grow, evolve and transform. I have been deeply committed to animal welfare for years. As a lawyer, I acted on behalf of an animal rights activist in court proceedings. I am a founder of a grassroots, foster-based rescue group but volunteer my time with other rescues as well. My home is a revolving door for foster dogs having all manner of medical and behavioural challenges. It is through this lens that I look forward to continuing my work with the Board for a second term while lending my unique legal and animal welfare perspective to our discussions and deliberations. Thank you for the opportunity to serve such an impressive organization with a mission that is close to my heart.

### Damian Creber

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I have spent my entire life around animals, growing up with a combination of a dog, cats, fish, rabbits, and even a frog. Today, I am roommates with a Boston Terrier / Pug (Opie) and a domestic short-hair cat (Willow). Having spent over a decade in finance, I am looking to find a way to blend my professional experience with my personal love of all animals. Naturally, Toronto Humane Society is the leading animal welfare organization in the city and I am excited to offer my skills to assist the Board and leadership in moving the mission and strategic plan forward.



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### Nicholas Kanhai

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I have served Toronto Humane Society as the Board Secretary, where I have worked with the THS executive team to better organize document storage and sharing which led to a more secure approach to sharing sensitive documents amongst the Board members. I have acted as minute taker, and have worked with the Board Chair to ensure minutes are collected and cleaned up before being shared to be signed. If I am to be re-elected to the Board, I would like to continue in my role as Board Secretary, as I enjoy providing value to the Board in this way as I continue to grow my knowledge of THS strategy and providing executive guidance. My 1 year tenure has been full of learning, and I believe that I know that with more time I will be able to increase the value of my overall contributions to THS.

### Bronwen Morgan

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My background demonstrates a commitment to progressive animal welfare ideology. When I ran for the Board in 2014 my platform stated my ideal of a world where a shelter is not needed because all animals are wanted and cared for. Over the years I have participated in THS strategic planning, committees and projects with this goal in mind. I would like to continue this work.

Committed, dedicated staff and volunteers are essential to a successful organization. My human resources and legal background assist me in understanding the legislative and human needs of staff and employees. Over the years I have worked with many staff and volunteers and remain in awe of the value of their contribution. I have a historical knowledge of Toronto Humane Society tempered by knowledge that the only constant in this world is change. Toronto Humane Society has evolved, adapted to and embraced change with successful outcomes for animals and I believe I can contribute to an ongoing THS success story.



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### **Peter Newell**

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I have a long history with THS and, to some degree, I could be described as the "institutional memory" of the present-day organization. I have often had success at building consensus when opposing points of view arise, and I'm well-versed in the principles of good corporate governance. My commitment to animals has remained unchanged over the years -- I want to help all animals have a better life and I try to focus on the wellbeing of special needs animals, even in circumstances where extraordinary measures are required to help them. I support THS's no-kill principles and work with staff endeavouring to help give effect to those principles in other shelter situations.

### **Nabila Tisha**

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As the trusted advisor to numerous non-profits, I led the acquisition of 150,000+ monthly donors even during the toughest year in recent memory. I attribute much of that success to fostering meaningful dialogue by habitually looking at the "North Star", asking the right questions to remove inefficiencies, and constructively challenging and facilitating consensus across all stakeholders. My decade-long philanthropy experience lends a vantage point in guiding THS through sustainable and diversified fundraising. I am keen to help make the world of bequests predictable by ensuring "a future in which animal shelters no longer need to exist" is at the forefront of the enormous transfer of wealth forecasted to take shape by 2025. I believe that my moment of preparation of being an animal advocate and ally has met my moment of opportunity.

