

Claude Renaud



A chemical engineer originally from Montreal, Mr. Renaud and his family moved to the Dartmouth area in 1983 and became fully integrated into the Acadian and Francophone community.

For more than 35 years, he has provided honest and wise leadership in addition to volunteering in activities in the fields of education, culture and heritage, as well as community development. He was a founding member of the Société culturelle du Grand-Havre (now FÉCANE) and sits on several boards of directors.

Through his unifying, inclusive, enthusiastic and strategic approach, he has mobilized the strengths of our diverse communities to create and strengthen lasting assets for l'Acadie of the future.

Hughie Batherson



Mr. Batherson is presently the Consortium National de Formation en Santé's Coordinator and Director of the Alumni Association at Université Sainte-Anne. He graduated from Université Sainte-Anne with a B.A (French), B.Ed and M.Ed. His Master's thesis was on how humour can reinforce second language learning.

Mr. Batherson has been associated with Canadian Parents for French for over 30 years. He has also sat on the board of directors for several organizations such as Français pour l'avenir, the Atlantic Colleges and Universities Students Services Association, EduNova, the Fédération des parents Acadiens Nouvelle-Écosse, and the Consortium national de la formation en santé.

He is an engaging, enthusiastic speaker who uses humour to connect and engage with students of all ages. He is passionate about languages, culture, team-building and mental health. He has also turned his love of humour into a secondary career as a professional comedian, in both French and English.

Daphnée de Lamirande



From the age of 10, Daphnée became involved in the youth network and has since been involved in many events such as the Jeux de l'Acadie, the Congrès mondial acadien, the Rencontre jeunesse provinciale, and the Pan-Canadian Youth Parliament.

As Chair of the Conseil Jeunesse Provincial, she invests a lot of time in building relationships with partners across the province and welcomes each member with patience, listening and fairness.

Daphnée works to ensure the success of youth representation on the boards of organizations and institutions in the province. She believes in youth representation and the application of "by and for youth" at all levels.