

Application Form

Profile

Lorena _____ Castillo _____
First Name Middle Initial Last Name

Home Address _____ Suite or Apt _____
 Martinez _____ CA 94553
City State Postal Code

Primary Phone _____

Email Address _____

Which supervisorial district do you live in?

District 3

Education

Select the option that applies to your high school education *

High School Diploma

College/ University A

Name of College Attended

Brooks Institute of Photography

Degree Type / Course of Study / Major

Bachelors Degree Professional Photography

Degree Awarded?

Yes No

College/ University B

Name of College Attended

Degree Type / Course of Study / Major

Degree Awarded?

Yes No

College/ University C

Name of College Attended

Degree Type / Course of Study / Major

Degree Awarded?

Yes No

Other schools / training completed:

Course Studied

Hours Completed

Certificate Awarded?

Yes No

Board and Interest

Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Resource Conservation District: Submitted

Seat Name

Board Member

Have you ever attended a meeting of the advisory board for which you are applying?

Yes No

If you have attended, how many meetings have you attended?

Approximately 24

Please explain why you would like to serve on this particular board, committee, or commission.

I would like to continue my service to this board. because Conservation is a passion of mine. I've really enjoyed working with my fellow community members and learning the operations of the CCRCD.

Qualifications and Volunteer Experience

I would like to be considered for appointment to other advisory boards for which I may be qualified.

Yes No

Are you currently or have you ever been appointed to a Contra Costa County advisory board, commission, or committee?

Yes No

List any volunteer or community experience, including any advisory boards on which you have served.

Current Commissioner for Martinez Parks, Recreation, Marina, Cultural Arts Commission; past Board member for Kiwanis Club of Martinez; Community Advisory Committee for Shell Refinery.

Describe your qualifications for this appointment. (NOTE: you may also include a copy of your resume with this application)

See Resume

[Lorena_Castillo_Resume2020.docx](#)

Upload a Resume

Conflict of Interest and Certification

Do you have a Familial or Financial Relationship with a member of the Board of Supervisors?

Yes No

If Yes, please identify the nature of the relationship:

Do you have any financial relationships with the County such as grants, contracts, or other economic relations?

Yes No

If Yes, please identify the nature of the relationship:

Please Agree with the Following Statement

I certify that the statements made by me in this application are true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, and are made in good faith. I acknowledge and understand that all information in this application is publicly accessible. I understand that misstatements and/or omissions of material fact may cause forfeiture of my rights to serve on a board, committee, or commission in Contra Costa County.

I Agree

LORENA CASTILLO

• MARTINEZ, CA 94553

SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS

- Curating art exhibits, organizing community events, and mentoring emerging artists.
- Demonstrated experience facilitating community learning activities, creating lesson plans, curriculum, and developing engaging experiential-learning opportunities for students k-12 and adult ed.
- Competent with coordinating, recruitment, supervision, training, and developing opportunities for youth to further their education, obtain employment, volunteer, and participate in internships.
- Demonstrate experiences in building long-lasting relationships and partnerships with numerous community organizations and stakeholders.
- Passion for building connections for youth to the environment, art and community organizations.
- Competent with computer software, including Adobe Photoshop, MS Office, and Google Apps.

EXPERIENCE

Communications & Marketing Director

Groundwork Richmond; Richmond, CA; June 2019 - March 2020

40 hrs/week; \$30/hr

Matt Holmes, (415) 254-3546, matt@groundworkrichmond.org

Provide external communications services; oversee internal communications protocols, and provide administrative support to the Executive Director. Work to improve or establish all outward facing communication platforms to better illustrate the impact of Groundwork Richmond and its portfolio of programs; Cultivate and maintain all necessary records pertaining to: volunteers, donors, & funding partners; and, Support the Executive Director in the management of key community partners. Oversee the design and delivery of all programmatic materials; Track program milestones with Program Managers; and, Ensure that all routine staff and board communications are delivered in a timely manner. Collaborate with Executive Director on day-to-day management of key functions such as finance, administration, human resources and/or development; Write new grant applications to address identified needs in our Communications Plan; Assume responsibility for the organization in the absence of Executive Director; Participate as a member of the senior management team to realize the organization's policies and objectives; and will perform other duties as assigned.

Internship & Outreach Coordinator

New Leaf Collaborative; Vicente & Briones High School; Martinez, CA; August 2009

- Present

1,110 hrs/year, 32 hrs/week, 8,215 hrs to date; starting at \$22/hr, currently at \$33/hr

Suzy Hammond, (925) 408-8153, suzyhammond4@gmail.com

Build lasting relationships and partnerships with community organizations that provide employment programs, internships, and volunteer opportunities to students; Lead and facilitate clubs and internships such as Botanical Trail Team, Yoga Club, Leadership Club, Hiking Club, History Club, and Green Media Team; Teach computer software programs such as PhotoShop; Create art projects and curriculum for students; Coordinate community events and field trips for students; Attend meetings of various community organizations; Arrange student workshops, special events, and meetings; Schedule working professionals to give presentations about their careers to students; Develop and present projects to diverse school groups,

community groups and media; Counsel students about college enrollment, scholarship applications, employment search, job interviews, creating resume and cover letters, community service, internship opportunities, and volunteer opportunities; Develop internship opportunities and projects for students in their desired job field or career plan by partnering with organizations; Organize and track data for grants and fiscal agents; Experience with evaluating programs for improvement.

Crew Leader & Park Guide

John Muir National Historic Site & Eugene O'Neill National Historic Site; Martinez, CA; June-August 2011-Present; Fernando Villalba, (925) 330-1699, fernando_villalba@nps.gov

320 hrs/year, 40 hrs/week, 2,240 hrs to date; \$21/hr

Recruit and Supervise the YCC (Youth Conservation Corp) Interns during an 8 week period over the summer; Motivate interns to maximize professional development opportunities; Delegate intern assignments and projects when working with Maintenance crew and Natural Resources department staff; Schedule and organize field trips and workshops; Assist with special events and tours; Guide interns while visiting other National Parks and Community Parks to teach them about preservation, conservation and the history of our National Parks and Community Parks; Created end-of-season slideshow presentation; Collaborated with key community organizations.

Photography Instructor

Eugene O'Neill Foundation Education Program; Danville, CA; March 2015, 2016, 2018; 30 hours, \$900, Katy Colbath, Education Coordinator, katycolbath@gmail.com
Developed lesson plan and facilitated a "Masters Class" workshop for photography; Instructed high school students on basic photographic skills including composition, lighting, portraiture, and landscape to produce a final slideshow project.

Graphic Arts Instructor

LunchBox International; East Bay, CA; September 2009-June 2016

275 hrs/year, \$15/hr, Professor Steven Cleveland, steven@lunchboxinternational.com

Developed lesson plans and workshops for the production of various film projects; Instructed high school students on proper handling of professional equipment such as digital cameras, computers, lighting components, and sound gear; Taught students basic elements of design, photography, and film production to successfully complete projects; Designed DVD covers, CD labels, posters, and key art for final film productions.

Photographic Art Instructor

East Bay Center for the Performing Arts; Richmond, CA; September 2009- August 2010,

297 hrs/yr, 4 hrs/week, \$40/hr, Michelle Flynn, michelle.flynn@eastbaycenter.org

Developed and facilitated art projects of digital photography and mixed media to elementary school students; Developed lesson plans and art projects for 30-40 students in after-school program; Guided students on proper usage of digital cameras, printers, and art supplies; Developed art projects with students to present to their peers and parents; Planned and facilitated art productions for End-of-Year celebration.

Photography Instructor

Civic Arts; Walnut Creek, CA; September 2008-July 2009

300 hrs/yr, 4-8hrs/week, \$15/hr; Doug Rowe, (925) 699-2069, rowe@arts-ed.org

Taught basic photographic skills using digital cameras; Helped students developed lesson plans and curriculum for the use of PhotoShop, projects, presentations, and portfolios; Helped students with downloading, printing, and editing photographs; Created lessons on hand-coloring photographic images and collage; Developed portfolios for students to continue their photography.

Photographer, Staff Writer and Office Manager

The Martinez News Gazette; Martinez, CA; November 2007 - July 2009
2,400 hrs/yr, 50 hrs/week, \$10/hr, Jenny Crogan, jenny.crogan@gmail.com
Conceptualized photography for feature stories, political news coverage, accidents and special community events; Wrote featured stories for events in AP style; Designed page layouts for newspaper reproduction using Quark XPress; Developed content and designed the *History Page*; Gathered content and Researched archives for layout; Attended meetings and community events with various organizations; Created Art contests and special events for community members; Collected revenue from advertisers and subscribers.

Assistant to the Photo Editor

VIA Magazine; San Francisco, CA; May 2007 - May 2008
240 hrs/yr, \$15/hr, Maggie Perkins, maggie_perkins_sf@yahoo.com
Organized and formatted images for magazine reproduction; contacted photographers for upcoming issues; shipped film back to artists; researched photographs for upcoming issues and stories.

Teaching Assistant

The Julia Morgan School for Girls; Oakland, CA; September 2007
10 hrs, Volunteer, Luz Ruiz, laluzzuir7@yahoo.com
Developed art projects for students utilizing general photography and Polaroid cameras; helped students express creativity through hand-coloring and Polaroid manipulation; created and exhibited final projects with students for fundraising auction.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Board Member- Resource Conservation District, Contra Costa County, CA, Jul. 2018-Present

Board Member- Kiwanis International, Martinez, CA, Oct. 2009- Oct. 2017, Oct. 2018-Present

Board Member- Artcelerator, Martinez, CA, Nov. 2015-2018

President- Kiwanis International, Martinez, CA, Oct. 2015-Oct. 2016

Organizer & Volunteer- Main Street Martinez, Martinez, CA, Dec. 2009-2016

Member- Community Advisory Panel, Shell Refinery, Martinez, CA, Jan. 2012-2017

Member- Martinez Arts Association, Martinez, CA, Dec. 2007-2013

ART EXHIBITS AND PERMANENT INSTALLATIONS

Martinez Library, Martinez, CA, OutTakes, May 2018-June 2018

Citrus Salon, Martinez, CA, *On a Wire*, January 2017-June 2017

Pegasus Bicycle Works, Martinez, CA, *Bici World*, August 2016- August 2019

FleetWood, San Francisco, CA, *Woman on the Verge of...*, September 2016- October 2016

Festival of Altars, Dia de los Muertos, Martinez & San Francisco, CA, November 2011-2017

Roxx on Main, Martinez, CA, *Tripod Diaries*, October 2015-January 2016

Puerto Alegre, San Francisco, CA, *Off the Map*, August 2015-October 2016

Puerto Alegre, San Francisco, CA, *Passion de Frida*, July 2014-August 2014

Citrus Salon, Martinez, CA, *Tripod Diaries*, January 2013-March 2013

Citrus Salon, Martinez, CA, *Thread Count*, January 2012
Art Gallop, Martinez, CA, Exhibited Photographs, July 2011
Noodles for Kids, Martinez, CA, *Out the Window Exhibit*, April 2011
Martinez City Hall, Martinez, CA, Exhibited photographs, March 2011-May 2011
Puerto Alegre, San Francisco, CA, Exhibited Photographs & Prints, March 2011-May 2011
Q Restaurant, San Francisco, CA, *Out the Window Exhibit*, November 2010-May 2011
Martinez Open Studios, Martinez, CA, Photography Exhibit, May 2010
Citrus Salon, Martinez, CA, *In Place Exhibit*, February 2010
Colorz Hair Gallery, Walnut Creek, CA, *Deciduous Exhibit*, November 2009
Colorz Hair Gallery, Walnut Creek, CA, *Ponies, Prints, & Paintings Exhibit*, July 2009
Martinez City Hall, Martinez, CA, Exhibited Photographs, May 2009
Shell Corp. Lobby, Martinez, CA, *Refined*, May 2009
Shell Clubhouse, Martinez, CA, *Refined Exhibit*, January 2009
Bedford Gallery, Walnut Creek, CA, Instructor Exhibit, December 2008
Art in the Park, Martinez, CA, Exhibited Photographs, August 2008
mARTinez Gallery, Martinez, Exhibit Photographs, January 2008- August 2009
La Casa del Libro, San Francisco, *Fotos Exhibit*, January 2007

EDUCATION & TRAINING

Empowering Educators, Oakland, CA, 2014-2018
Dr. Rona Zollinger, Educator of Transformative Education
50 hrs.

BA, Professional Photography and Digital Imaging, December 2006
Brooks Institute of Photography, Santa Barbara, CA
120 Semester Credits

Diablo Valley College, Pleasant Hill, CA, 1999-2003
60 Credits

High School Diploma, 1999
College Park High School, Pleasant Hill, CA

AWARDS & CERTIFICATIONS

Award, *Kiwanian of the Year*, Martinez, CA, 2015-2016
Certified, *Yoga for Teens*, San Francisco, CA 2014
Award, *Woman of the Year*, Martinez, CA, 2011
Winner, *Photo Budget Contest*, Martinez, CA, 2009
Finalist, *Photographer's Forum Magazine Contest*, Santa Barbara, CA, 2006