

Examiner Biography

Sophie MacNeill – Kwantlen Polytechnic University

Sophie is a registered landscape architect from Vancouver Island with over a decade of experience in the private sector, specializing in public realm work. Having lived in Vancouver for the past 20 years, she currently works for the Vancouver Park Board, where she implements parks that advance the city's objectives towards sustainability, reconciliation, and climate resilience.

Sophie's professional journey began as an organic gardener and has evolved into various roles, including her recent position as a contract instructor for KPU Horticulture's Urban Ecosystem program. She holds a Master of Landscape Architecture and a Bachelor of Environmental Design from the University of British Columbia. Sophie is an active mentor for emerging professionals in the field and has represented the society on the UBC Urban Design Panel and as a member of Sitelines Magazine's Editorial Advisory Board.

Sophie is fascinated by the complexities of urban landscapes and is committed to cross-disciplinary collaboration. She firmly believes in the value of shared ecological landscapes and brings to her work a strong sense of curiosity and appreciation for the interplay between nature and the built environment.