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Shambhavi Arora (She/Her) At-Large, Legal Specialist

Shambhavi Arora is a fourth-year student at the University of British Columbia. Born and raised in India, she hails from a small village with a farming family, fostering a deep connection to the land of her upbringing. Shambhavi is pursuing a degree in Political Science and Law, with a strong focus on environmental advocacy. Her academic journey is complemented by her active involvement in activism and

technological research, aiming to create sustainable solutions for environmental challenges. When she's not immersed in her studies of environmental law, Shambhavi enjoys exploring different parks and beaches, and indulging in the diverse culinary delights the city has to offer. She feels a deep sense of gratitude to live and work on the traditional, ancestral, and unceded lands of the xwmə0kwəyəm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish), and səlĭlwəta? (Tsleil-Waututh) nations.



Amber Grant (They/Them)
At-Large

Amber Grant is a white, queer, non-binary settler with mixed Ukrainian and Irish ancestry. They grew up on Treaty 20 territory, the traditional territory of the Michi Saagiig and Chippewa Nations, collectively known as the Williams Treaties First Nations (includes Curve Lake, Hiawatha, Alderville, Scugog Island, Rama, Beausoleil, and Georgina

Island First Nations). Amber is a Postdoctoral Research Fellow at the University of British Columbia in the Urban Natures Lab. Their research explores how environmental justice is prioritized and neglected in urban forest planning and practice, as well as the socio-political and institutional conditions that influence community-based urban forest stewardship. You can often find Amber playing basketball, cycling around the city, exploring the outdoors, or dancing to techno with friends.