

Meet the New TOGA Board Nominees

The Board is pleased to introduce the following candidates who we believe will bring new skills and expertise, increase diversity on the Board, and enhance our ability to expand our footprint to the Lower Bay and Eastern Shore.

Stephanie Antonijuan.

Arts & Heritage MA from Maastricht University, History of Art B.A. from Florida State University, current Youth Programs Manager of the Rappahannock Art League Art Center in Kilmarnock.

Dedicated marine science enthusiast and impassioned maritime history scholar. New resident of the Northern Neck, but daughter of dedicated TOGA oyster gardener. Lifetime scholar, impromptu sous chef, and aspiring world traveler.

"I am enthusiastic about serving on the board to make an impact on TOGA's mission of raising awareness, promoting education, and driving conservation initiatives. My commitment is to dive deep in TOGA's educational programs, where community engagement forms the heart of learning. I am passionate about weaving the intricate networks of oyster fisheries and Chesapeake Bay preservation organizations, creating lasting partnerships throughout the region. I'm passionate about learning opportunities, working with youth summer camps or adult lecture series to spread information and fascination for the aquatic world we're fortunate to enjoy."



David Singletary. Structural Engineering degree from Old Dominion University, served in U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, retired teacher, currently business owner in advertising. Served on Board of Directors of Colonial Virginia Council, many jobs in Scouting, and previous Board Member of Newport News Green Foundation.

Master Oyster Gardener, James River Rat, JRA, Chesapeake Bay Capt., Certified Peninsula Master Naturalist, Tree Steward, Chesapeake Urban Stormwater Professional. In Scouting, I have been involved in Eagle conservation projects, running events, building Living Shorelines, NRA Instructor in Rifle, Shotgun, RSO. USAA Level II Archery for Scouting events.

"My interests are in conservation, water quality, and youth education. I believe the only real solution for cleaning the Bay waters is oysters. I've put in living shorelines, recycled oyster shell for seven years for the CBF, VCU/OSR on the Piankatank River. I have done numerous education displays on the value of oysters. I've helped build floats and attended a number of TOGA events. I want to continue to further my involvement in the educational mission of TOGA."



Galen Salgado.

"I am a South African Yachtmaster currently living in Deltaville, VA with my wife who I met while sailing around the World. I started growing oysters in the summer of 2022 and have enjoyed being a part of TOGA, especially the float builds at Camp Kekoka. I look forward to participating in the Master Oyster Gardener Course, as well as expanding my oyster garden."

