

**Candidates for Election as Trustees  
Monhegan Associates, Inc.  
2024 Annual Meeting**



**Willow Bates**

Monhegan and its community have played a huge role in my life. As a member of the Monhegan Associates Board of Trustees, I look forward to contributing to the stewardship and protection of its precious wildlands and serving its people by doing so. I see MAI as an extension of the town itself and will work to strengthen the bridge between the two.

During my seasons on island, I founded the Monhegan Theatre Company, whose productions helped fund arts programs for the island school, and in 2014 and 2017 I worked for the MAI fall trail crew. I served as the Monhegan Associates Outreach Intern from 2016 to 2017, a program that I aim to see restored. I believe in the mission of the Monhegan Associates and would be honored to serve the organization again as a Trustee.



**Kathryn Driscoll**

I first came to the island in 1982 and was taken with the ruggedness and beauty of the island and the wildlands. Seven years later my partner Mara and I purchased the Inkspot. We have come every year since 1982 as have our children and grandchildren. When not on the island, we live in Kittery, Me. The last 40 years I have been a psychotherapist in private practice and now mostly retired. Prior to that I worked in leadership positions in a number of non-profit organizations. For the last 3 years I have

served on the Monhegan Associate's Nominating Committee, which has fostered my desire to do more to preserve Monhegan's wildlands.

I am running as a candidate for MAI trustee because I feel so fortunate to have had this slice of time on this precious island and I would like to give back to the island that has given me and my family so much.



**James Galvin**

Elected to serve on the Monhegan Associates Board of Trustees for one term, I am now running for a second. I first came to Monhegan with my wife Norma Kaplis in the early 70s. We have visited regularly ever since and purchased our home on the island about 25 years ago. My training is in medical physics, and I spent many years as a faculty member in departments of radiation oncology at three different medical schools. I am now retired and spend as much time as I can photographing flowers on Monhegan. I have shown and sold my macrophotography images of flowers for many seasons.

Since retirement, we have been spending six months on Monhegan and the rest of the year in Washington Crossing, PA. This amount of time (including one recent year-round stay) has given me an important perspective on the island's ecosystem. Monhegan Associates is a tremendous resource for the Island. Walking the trails is a joy any time of year. MAI is dedicated to protecting this treasure for all those living here for varying amounts of time and for visitors staying just a few nights or a single day. I am pleased to run for a MAI trustee position.



## **Jean Smith**

I first stayed on Monhegan at the Mooring Chain in the summer of 1983. That magical weekend grew to be the month of August with spring and fall briefer trips. Along with dock jumping, volunteering, kayaking, time with family and friends, there is no Monhegan trail that I do not explore several times each visit, often at dawn. The wildlands are solace and nourishment for me, an antidote to my rich but busy life. This includes my practice as a psychologist, rowing competitively, and racial justice work.

I have extensive experience with Board, program development, and committee work, primarily through my Unitarian Society. I seek ways to participate and support the life of the island through volunteerism and would be delighted to increase that commitment with the Mohegan Associates Trustees.