



## HOME INSPECTORS ASSOCIATION BC

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION

2021 - 2022

### FINAL RELEASE OF NOMINEES

April 14, 2021

The following Home Inspectors Association BC Members have been nominated for a position on the 2021- 2022 Board of Directors. This is the final list of nominees and no further nomination will be accepted.

<b>Nominee:</b>	<b>Region:</b>	<b>Position:</b>
Geoff Baile (incumbent)	Lower Mainland	Director
Jonathan Sheppard	Lower Mainland	President
Stephen Klassen	Vancouver Island	Director
Chris Thompson	Lower Mainland	Director

Current Board Members serving their second year of two-year terms include: Mark Goodwin (Lower Mainland); Tom Pape (Lower Mainland); Roger Warren (Okanagan); Gilles Lesage (Okanagan).

Current President Bob Hamm will step down and will serve one year on the HIABC Board as Past President.

In accordance with HIABC Policy, nominees for positions on the HIABC Board of Directors must also submit a brief bio for review by the membership. These bios are included below.

On behalf of the HIABC Board of Directors and the Nomination Committee Chair, Roland Klann, I thank these nominees for allowing their names to stand for the 2021-2022 Board.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Helene Barton".

Helene Barton  
Executive Director

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**2021-2022 HIABC Board Nominee Bios**

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**Geoff Baile, AHI**

**Lower Mainland**

**Position of Director**

I began my home inspection career in 2005; began teaching at Douglas College in 2013; created and began teaching the BC Carson Dunlop webinars in 2017.

I have been on the HIABC Board of Directors since 2018 and took on the task of Field Training Chair at that time. It has been a pleasure working with fellow HIABC members to develop and implement training programs. I would appreciate the opportunity to continue to improve these programs that are now in place.

This is the most professional and respected Home Inspection Association in BC, and we have developed the best training program in the country. This ensures that our new inspectors moving into the industry are professionally educated and trained. To keep our association and profession relevant, we must strive to refine what we do and how we do it.

I hope to continue my work on the Board to help keep our Association the leader in the industry and I respectfully ask for your vote on May 5th.

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**Jonathan Sheppard, AHI**

**Lower Mainland**

**Position of President**

I am honored to be a nominee for the HIABC president position in the 2021-22 election.

As a long time HIABC board member, I stand on the shoulders of past presidents who I have worked with, Craig Hostland, Tony Kazoleas, Vince Burnett, and Bob Hamm. These passionate people, along with our executive director Helene Barton's unwavering tutelage, have shown me that consistency and passion are required to hold this position. I will represent you with integrity, continuing our long-term goals of serving the membership of HIABC.

This is an important time in our industry as government has acknowledged our misfit position with Consumer Protection BC as our regulator and have requested that we submit a proposal to move to the newly implemented Professional Governance Act (PGA). We need to be ready for the challenges of this change to ensure our profession flourishes.

We have developed a comprehensive field training and peer review system over these last years. I recognize that education is the backbone of our association and know the importance of new inspectors being given the education and training to ensure, as the more seasoned inspectors amongst us move to retirement, that they can carry on our legacy of maintaining and building this great association.

Education and improved report writing skills will also ensure our HIABC Professional Insurance Plan (PIP) will thrive as we reduce claims.

I believe we must raise our profile in the province. Showing our commitment to the public and strengthening our image as a professional industry is at the top of my list. There is a lot of work ahead of us; I will need your help in this exciting time in the home inspection industry and I look forward to the challenges that we will face together.

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**Steve Klassen**

**Vancouver Island**

**Position of Director**

I have been involved in the construction industry on Vancouver Island for more than 40 years; 20 of those years as a licensed builder specializing in disaster repair work due to flood and fire damage.

In 1994 I founded one of the largest independently owned disaster restoration companies on the Island and am proud to say it is still a thriving business to this day.

Now in my 16<sup>th</sup> year as a home inspector, I have conducted over 4000 home inspections. I am an IICRC accredited water damage and mold specialist and am also certified as a WETT inspector.

My vision for our Association is to create more transparency and open dialogue with the general membership when forming new policies. I would like to see home inspectors achieve more distinct autonomy regarding relations with real estate agents and brokers.

I am pleased to have been nominated for this position on the HIABC Board of Directors and hope you will give me your vote.

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**Chris Thompson**

**Lower Mainland**

**Position of Director**

I would love to help represent the Home Inspectors Association of BC once again as a board member. During my last sitting, it was a challenging time for our membership. We struggled with our participation in CAHPI and eventually separated from that national organization.

As we parted ways, I played a pivotal role in helping rebrand our association. Working with Ion Design, we had to develop a powerful name and logo for our association for a strong identity.

Our association is facing new challenges as we look to separate from our governing body Consumer Protection BC. While they were a means to an end back in 2009 to bring in licensing, they have long outlived their usefulness. There will be lots of work to accomplish the move to the Professional Governance Act.

I would appreciate your backing for a position on the board to help with the road ahead.