



**Welcome to our First Newsletter!**



Greetings from the staff at NSRJ!

(From left to right: Marcela, Nermin, Alysha, Elysia, Sioned, Anne-Marie, Rowena)

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**February Newsletter**

# Message from our Executive Director

Hello and welcome to our first newsletter! Each month we will share a round-up of all the big things happening in our organization and beyond. As a subscriber, you join a passionate community looking to build a safe and connected North Shore for everyone.



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## UPCOMING EVENTS

*Annual General Meeting -February 24th, 2021 6:30-7:30pm.*

We are hosting our AGM virtually this year. Learn about the highlights from 2020, including a presentation from UBC Law students Renee and Emily regarding their research on the use of restorative justice in sexual assault files.

Register for the AGM [here](#)

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**Become a member of NSRJ today!**

**\$20 Annual Fee**

**[Click here to sign up!](#)**

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## **Black History Month:**

NSRJ recognizes the pressing need to respond to calls for justice and to bring awareness and dialogue on the discrimination and racism that exists in our Criminal Justice System in Canada, and in our daily lives. We encourage you to learn more and participate in some of the many events happening on the North Shore and around BC during Black History Month.

Register for events online hosted by BC Black History Awareness Society: [BHM 2021](#).  
[PDF](#)

Sign up for an online seminar hosted by the City of NV [Here](#)

Check out Black Art Gastown [Here](#)

More virtual events to check out [Here](#)





Members of NSRJ wearing Black for Black Shirt Day on January 15th.

## **VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT!**



### **Mara Veneman**

has been a volunteer in our Restorative Response Program (RRP) with the North Shore Restorative Justice Society (NSRJ) since 2019. She has completed over 60 hours, and 7 cases of facilitation for NSRJ. In addition, Mara has taken the liaison role for NSRJ's Squamish Pilot Project. She has worked tirelessly and has also been a support on various committee and

## SPREAD THE WORD

Are you a resident living on the North Shore? Are you interested in volunteering with the NSRJ? Do you have knowledge/skills as a treasurer?

Well we are currently taking applications till February 26th, 2021 for board members, apply now to [info@nsrj.ca](mailto:info@nsrj.ca).

Or find out more at: [this link here](#)



## Pink Shirt Day

Pink shirt day is a symbol of what we hold dear at NSRJ. Join us in wearing a pink shirt day on February 24, 2021 as we stand in

solidarity for values like compassion,  
humility, respect and trust!  
[check out our website for more!](#)

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## PROGRAMMING STORY

Since the end of 2020, an amazing group of volunteers has come together to form the Communications Taskforce and bring you this newsletter! We are always looking to grow as a team and better our communication within the community. If there is anything you want to see from future newsletters, don't hesitate to contact: [communications@nsrj.ca](mailto:communications@nsrj.ca) with any questions or comments.

**Looking forward:** Next newsletter we will introduce the faces behind the Communications Taskforce, events, fundraisers, how to get involved, news stories happening in the North Shore and RJ world, etc!

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