

# Visit Alexandria Board of Governors

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Applicant	Date	Boards	Address	Contact	Status
Allen Brooks	4/29/2026	Visit Alexandria Board of Governors <span>Contested</span>			<span>Validated</span>
Clifton Lee Brown	5/1/2026	Visit Alexandria Board of Governors <span>Contested</span>			<span>Validated</span>
Connie Desrosiers	3/13/2026	Visit Alexandria Board of Governors <span>Contested</span>	Yes, I am a resident of the City of Alexandria. (NOTE: If your answer is no, a residency waiver is required for positions that are not specific to an organization or profession.):	Yes	<span>Validated</span>
Stuart Fox	3/3/2026	Visit Alexandria Board of Governors <span>Contested</span>			<span>Validated</span>
Mr. Todd Alexander Hunt	4/26/2026	Visit Alexandria Board of Governors <span>Contested</span>			<span>Validated</span>
Markos Andreas Panas	5/1/2026	Visit Alexandria Board of Governors <span>Contested</span>			<span>Validated</span>
Edea Portlance	11/29/2025	Visit Alexandria Board of Governors <span>Contested</span>	Yes, I am a resident of the City of Alexandria. (NOTE: If your answer is no, a residency waiver is required for positions that are not specific to an organization or profession.):	Yes	<span>Validated</span>

# Allen Brooks

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**Status**

**Name** Allen Brooks

**Application Date** 4/29/2026

**Expiration Date** 11/29/2026

**Board Member** [Allen Brooks](#)

**Status** Validated BY: CHRISTINA THOMPSON @4/29/2026 1:14 PM ET

Board	Vacancies	Status
Visit Alexandria Board of Governors	2	<span>Contested</span>

## Basic Information

**Name**  
Allen Brooks

## Contact Information

Yes, I am a resident of the City of Alexandria.  
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No

## Occupation

**Employer (student and youth applicants list school)**  
Continues Arcade

**Job Title**  
Owner/Founder

## New Applicant or Current Member

New Applicant

## What seat are you applying for? (Ex: citizen, architect, youth member, etc.)

Visit Alexandria, Restaurant Seat

## Do you currently live in the City of Alexandria? NOTE: If your answer is no, a residency waiver is required for positions that are not specific to an organization or profession.

No

## Statement of Interest (Do not include personal information such as phone numbers, addresses, emails, etc.)

I've been a member of Visit Alexandria in my roles as both the Chief Creative/Storytelling Officer of Building Momentum/The Garden and now founder/owner of Continues Arcade. The work done by Visit Alexandria has not only been beneficial to those organizations, but its impact as an organization on the City writ-large is nearly incalculable. Alexandria is a city that thrives on its tourism and hospitality, and having seen what Visit Alexandria has done to support those industries has made me deeply interested in serving as a part of its future.

## Have you ever served the City of Alexandria in any capacity?

No

## Have you ever attended a meeting of the Board or Commission for which you are applying?

Yes

## Are you now paid by the City of Alexandria?

No

## Do any of your immediate relatives or business associates now serve the City of Alexandria in any capacity?

No

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Yes

**If applicable, will you comply with the provisions of the City's conflict of interest requirements in City Ordinance 2867 regarding the completion of a financial disclosure statement?**

Yes

**References - Please list names, phone number and/or email addresses of three references that support your application.**

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# Clifton Lee Brown

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<b>Name</b>	Clifton Lee Brown	Visit Alexandria Board of Governors	2	<b>Contested</b>
<b>Application Date</b>	5/1/2026			
<b>Expiration Date</b>	12/1/2026			
<b>Board Member</b>	<b>Clifton Lee Brown</b>			
<b>Status</b>	<b>Validated</b> BY: CHRISTINA THOMPSON @5/1/2026 10:38 AM ET			

## Basic Information

**Name**  
Clifton Lee Brown

## Contact Information

**Yes, I am a resident of the City of Alexandria. (NOTE: If your answer is no, a residency waiver is required for positions that are not specific to an organization or profession.)**  
No

## Occupation

**Employer (student and youth applicants list school)**  
Hank's Oyster Bar  
**Job Title**  
General Manager

## New Applicant or Current Member

New Applicant

## What seat are you applying for? (Ex: citizen, architect, youth member, etc.)

Restaurant Seat

## Do you currently live in the City of Alexandria? NOTE: If your answer is no, a residency waiver is required for positions that are not specific to an organization or profession.

No

## Statement of Interest (Do not include personal information such as phone numbers, addresses, emails, etc.)

Alexandria's hospitality community doesn't just support tourism — it is the tourism. For many visitors, the decision to come back begins with a meal, a neighborhood event, or a conversation with someone who clearly loves what they do and where they do it. I've spent my career trying to provide that experience. As General Manager of Hank's Oyster Bar in Old Town, I oversee one of Alexandria's long-running neighborhood restaurants — an 18-year institution that draws both loyal locals and first-time visitors. In that role, I've focused on building consistent, year-round engagement: growing private event revenue, launching a new counter-service concept, and developing community programming — from oyster education classes to seasonal events and food recovery partnerships — that help keep our corner of the city thriving. Beyond the restaurant, I serve on the board of the Old Town North Community Partnership, am an incoming member of the West End Business Association, and sit on the NOTICe Parking Commission. These roles have given me a ground-level understanding of what brings people to Alexandria and what keeps them here — and just as importantly, what barriers exist to access, consistency, and sustained engagement. I'm seeking a seat on the Visit Alexandria Board of Governors because I want to bring that operator-level perspective into broader tourism strategy. I understand how decisions made at the city level show up on the floor of a restaurant, in guest behavior, and in repeat visitation. I believe there is an opportunity to further connect neighborhood-level experiences with citywide tourism efforts in a way that benefits both visitors and the local business community. I know what hospitality looks like from the inside. I'd like to help shape what it looks like from the outside, and would welcome the opportunity to contribute to Alexandria's future.

## Have you ever served the City of Alexandria in any capacity?

No

## Have you ever attended a meeting of the Board or Commission for which you are applying?

No

## Are you now paid by the City of Alexandria?

No

## Do any of your immediate relatives or business associates now serve the City of Alexandria in any capacity?

No

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Yes

**If applicable, will you comply with the provisions of the City's conflict of interest requirements in City Ordinance 2867 regarding the completion of a financial disclosure statement?**

Yes

**Summary of Work and Experience**

Hospitality leader and multi-unit restaurant operator with 15 years of experience in the Washington, DC region. Currently General Manager of Hank's Oyster Bar Old Town, an 18-year Alexandria institution, where I oversee a \$5M+ revenue operation and recently launched Hank's Pasta Bar, a new counter-service concept. Previously AGM at Hank's on the Wharf (\$9M+ unit), Director of Operations for a multi-unit restaurant group (~\$20M annual revenue), and General Manager of Ivy City Smokehouse, where I led the team to a Michelin Bib Gourmand and RAMMY Award. Prior to hospitality, I served six years in the U.S. Army as a Human Intelligence Collector, including deployment to Iraq. Deeply engaged in Alexandria's civic community: Board Member, Old Town North Community Partnership; incoming board member, West End Business Association; Commissioner, NOTICe Parking Commission. My community programming — seasonal festivals, food education events, food recovery partnerships with ALIVE! and the Old Town North Farmers Market — reflects a long-standing commitment to Alexandria as both a neighborhood and a destination.

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# Connie Desrosiers

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<b>Name</b>	Connie Desrosiers	Visit Alexandria Board of Governors	2	<b>Contested</b>
<b>Application Date</b>	3/13/2026			
<b>Expiration Date</b>	10/13/2026			
<b>Board Member</b>	<b>Connie Desrosiers</b>			
<b>Status</b>	<b>Validated</b> BY: UNKNOWN USER @BEFORE 4/1/2026			

## Basic Information

**Name**  
Connie Desrosiers

## Contact Information

**Yes, I am a resident of the City of Alexandria.**  
(NOTE: If your answer is no, a residency waiver is required for positions that are not specific to an organization or profession.)  
Yes

## Occupation

**Employer (student and youth applicants list school)**  
retired 2025 from The National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency  
**Job Title**  
Office Deputy Director

## New Applicant or Current Member

New Applicant

## What seat are you applying for? (Ex: citizen, architect, youth member, etc.)

Visit Alexandria Board of Governors - At Large

## Do you currently live in the City of Alexandria? NOTE: If your answer is no, a residency waiver is required for positions that are not specific to an organization or profession.

Yes

## How long have you lived in Alexandria?

20 years

## Statement of Interest (Do not include personal information such as phone numbers, addresses, emails, etc.)

I am a passionate entrepreneur and have loved working with small businesses for most of my life. This position aligns perfectly with my available volunteer time and my commitment to giving back to my community.

## Have you ever served the City of Alexandria in any capacity?

No

## Have you ever attended a meeting of the Board or Commission for which you are applying?

No

## Are you now paid by the City of Alexandria?

No

## Do any of your immediate relatives or business associates now serve the City of Alexandria in any capacity?

No

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Yes

## If applicable, will you comply with the provisions of the City's conflict of interest requirements in City Ordinance 2867 regarding the completion of a financial disclosure statement?

Yes

## Educational Background

BS in Psychology; MBA in Organizational Behavior and Development; MS in Systems Engineering

## Summary of Work and Experience

please see attached resume

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# Stuart Fox

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Name	Stuart Fox	Visit Alexandria Board of Governors	2	<b>Contested</b>
Application Date	3/3/2026			
Expiration Date	10/3/2026			
Board Member	<b>Stuart Fox</b>			
Status	<b>Validated</b> BY: UNKNOWN USER @BEFORE 4/1/2026			

## Basic Information

Name  
Stuart Fox

## Contact Information

Yes, I am a resident of the City of Alexandria.  
(NOTE: If your answer is no, a residency waiver is required for positions that are not specific to an organization or profession.)  
No

## Occupation

Employer (student and youth applicants list school)  
Route 66  
Job Title  
CFO

## New Applicant or Current Member

Current Member of This Board

## How many terms have you served?

2

## What seat are you applying for? (Ex: citizen, architect, youth member, etc.)

At-large

## Do you currently live in the City of Alexandria? NOTE: If your answer is no, a residency waiver is required for positions that are not specific to an organization or profession.

No

## How long have you lived in Alexandria?

12 years

## Statement of Interest (Do not include personal information such as phone numbers, addresses, emails, etc.)

I am currently the treasurer of the organization

## Have you ever served the City of Alexandria in any capacity?

Yes (Please explain), 2 terms on Visit Alexandria Board of Governors, 2 terms on the Park & Recreation commission, 2 terms on the Waterfront Commission

## Have you ever attended a meeting of the Board or Commission for which you are applying?

Yes

## Are you now paid by the City of Alexandria?

No

## Do any of your immediate relatives or business associates now serve the City of Alexandria in any capacity?

No

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Yes

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No

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# Mr. Todd Alexander Hunt

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Status		<b>Board</b>	<b>Vacancies</b>	<b>Status</b>
Name	Mr. Todd Alexander Hunt	Visit Alexandria Board of Governors	2	<b>Contested</b>
Application Date	4/26/2026			
Expiration Date	11/26/2026			
Board Member	<a href="#">Todd Alexander Hunt</a>			
Status	<b>Validated</b> BY: CHRISTINA THOMPSON @4/27/2026 3:28 PM ET			

## Basic Information

**Name**  
Mr. Todd Alexander Hunt

## Contact Information

Yes, I am a resident of the City of Alexandria.  
(NOTE: If your answer is no, a residency waiver is required for positions that are not specific to an organization or profession.)  
No

## Occupation

**Employer (student and youth applicants list school)**  
Oak Steakhouse - The Indigo Road  
Hospitality Group  
**Job Title**  
General Manager

## New Applicant or Current Member

New Applicant

## What seat are you applying for? (Ex: citizen, architect, youth member, etc.)

Restaurant Seat

## Do you currently live in the City of Alexandria? NOTE: If your answer is no, a residency waiver is required for positions that are not specific to an organization or profession.

No

## Statement of Interest (Do not include personal information such as phone numbers, addresses, emails, etc.)

See Letter of Interest

## Have you ever served the City of Alexandria in any capacity?

No

## Have you ever attended a meeting of the Board or Commission for which you are applying?

No

## Are you now paid by the City of Alexandria?

No

## Do any of your immediate relatives or business associates now serve the City of Alexandria in any capacity?

No

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Yes

## If applicable, will you comply with the provisions of the City's conflict of interest requirements in City Ordinance 2867 regarding the completion of a financial disclosure statement?

Yes

## Educational Background

See Resume

## Summary of Work and Experience

See Resume

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# Markos Andreas Panas

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<b>Name</b>	Markos Andreas Panas	Visit Alexandria Board of Governors	2	Contested
<b>Application Date</b>	5/1/2026			
<b>Expiration Date</b>	12/1/2026			
<b>Board Member</b>	<a href="#">Markos Andreas Panas</a>			
<b>Status</b>	<span>Validated</span> BY: CHRISTINA THOMPSON @5/1/2026 12:16 PM ET			

## Basic Information

**Name**  
Markos Andreas Panas

## Contact Information

Yes, I am a resident of the City of Alexandria.  
(NOTE: If your answer is no, a residency waiver is required for positions that are not specific to an organization or profession.)  
No

## Occupation

**Employer (student and youth applicants list school)**  
Self Employed (Sweetbake, Inc / Beeliner / Bread & Water)  
**Job Title**  
Owner/Founder/CEO

## New Applicant or Current Member

New Applicant

## What seat are you applying for? (Ex: citizen, architect, youth member, etc.)

Restaurant

## Do you currently live in the City of Alexandria? NOTE: If your answer is no, a residency waiver is required for positions that are not specific to an organization or profession.

No

## Statement of Interest (Do not include personal information such as phone numbers, addresses, emails, etc.)

Alexandria holds a singular place in American history, and as someone who chose this city as the place to build my life and my businesses, I feel a deep personal investment in how we share that story with the world. As founder of Sweetbake, Inc. — operating Bread & Water Company, Beeliner Diner (West Ennnd!), Bun Papa, and The Dog Park — I have spent fifteen years building businesses that reflect what makes Alexandria extraordinary: its warmth, its diversity, its sense of community, and its world-class food and hospitality culture. Our businesses have welcomed visitors and locals alike, and I understand firsthand how a great meal or a welcoming space can define someone's experience of a city. I am eager to bring that perspective to the Visit Alexandria Board of Governors at what is an extraordinarily exciting moment. As Alexandria prepares to celebrate the nation's 250th birthday, I want to help ensure that the hospitality and restaurant community is front and center in shaping an experience worthy of this historic milestone — and worthy of this remarkable city. I would be honored to serve.

## Have you ever served the City of Alexandria in any capacity?

Yes (Please explain), Not in official capacities but I have served as an active member of Volunteer Alexandria the last two years. Beyond that, simply hosting and participating as an active member of entities like WEBA, the Chamber of Congress and Visit Alexandria.

## Have you ever attended a meeting of the Board or Commission for which you are applying?

No

## Are you now paid by the City of Alexandria?

No

## Do any of your immediate relatives or business associates now serve the City of Alexandria in any capacity?

No

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Yes

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Yes

## Educational Background

Gonzaga College High School — Washington, DC | Graduated 1996 Adelphi Honors College — Garden City, New York | 1996–1998 San Francisco Art Institute — San Francisco, California Bachelor of Fine Arts (BFA), Painting | 1998–2000 China National Academy of Art — Hangzhou, China Traditional Landscape Painting | 2000 (Final credits program for BFA, San Francisco Art Institute) Pratt Institute — Brooklyn, New York Master of Fine Arts (MFA), Painting | 2008 Radiance Yoga — Old Town, Alexandria, 200-Hour Yoga Teacher Training Certification | 2024

### **Summary of Work and Experience**

Sweetbake, Inc. / Bread & Water Company — Founder & Owner | 2010–Present Alexandria, VA Artisan bakery, café, and wholesale operation producing handmade breads, pastries, and desserts. Baked goods supplier to Capital One Arena. Voted Alexandria's Favorite Bakery by Zebra Press Readers Choice (2021–2025). Beeliner Diner — Co-Founder/Owner | 2022–Present Alexandria, VA Full-service diner and community gathering place. Winner of Zebra Press Readers Choice Awards for Best Diner and Best Desserts in Alexandria. Chamber ALX Rising Star Business of the Year, 2024. Bun Papa — Co-Founder/Owner | 2021–Present Alexandria, VA Award-winning burger concept built around handmade brioche buns. RAMMY Award winner for Outstanding Pop-Up Concept (2022). Zebra Press Readers Choice, Best Burger in Alexandria. The Dog Park — Co-Founder/Owner | 2022–Present Old Town Alexandria, VA Full-service pet destination including retail pet store (2022), professional grooming (2023), and Doggy Day Care (2025). Annual cat adoption events with Homeward Trails Animal Rescue. Farmers Market Operations — Co-Founder | 2007–2020 Market Square, Alexandria, VA & Greater DMV Area Co-founded and operated artisan bread and pastry farmers markets business at up to 16 markets per week. Flagship location: Market Square Farmers Market, Old Town Alexandria. Chef Corps Member — World Central Kitchen | 2025–Present Mobilized Bread & Water Company and Beeliner Diner to produce nearly 10,000 meals during the 2025 federal government shutdown, and supported relief efforts following the Reagan National Airport plane crash in January 2025. Snow Buddy Volunteer — Volunteer Alexandria | 2024–Present Shovels snow and salts walkways for elderly and homebound residents during winter storms. Volunteer Driving Safety Coach — Street Survival Courses | 2026–Present Summit Point Raceway, WV Teaching young adults safe driving skills with a mission of saving teen lives.

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# Edea Portlance

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<b>Name</b>	Edea Portlance	Visit Alexandria Board of Governors	2	<b>Contested</b>
<b>Application Date</b>	11/29/2025			
<b>Expiration Date</b>	6/29/2026			
<b>Board Member</b>	<b>Edea Portlance</b>			
<b>Status</b>	<b>Validated</b> BY: UNKNOWN USER @BEFORE 4/1/2026			

## Basic Information

**Name**  
Edea Portlance

## Contact Information

Yes, I am a resident of the City of Alexandria.  
(NOTE: If your answer is no, a residency waiver is required for positions that are not specific to an organization or profession.)  
Yes

## Occupation

Employer (student and youth applicants list school)  
Self-Employed

## New Applicant or Current Member

New Applicant

## What seat are you applying for? (Ex: citizen, architect, youth member, etc.)

Citizen/ business owner

## Do you currently live in the City of Alexandria? NOTE: If your answer is no, a residency waiver is required for positions that are not specific to an organization or profession.

Yes

## How long have you lived in Alexandria?

20+ years

## Statement of Interest (Do not include personal information such as phone numbers, addresses, emails, etc.)

I believe there needs to be more representation from business owners outside of Old Town.

## Have you ever served the City of Alexandria in any capacity?

No

## Have you ever attended a meeting of the Board or Commission for which you are applying?

No

## Are you now paid by the City of Alexandria?

No

## Do any of your immediate relatives or business associates now serve the City of Alexandria in any capacity?

No

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Yes

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Yes

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