

BPBA Hires First Executive Director

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The Selection Committee of BPBA is very pleased to announce the hiring of Dr. Katherine McLeod as the Biosphere's first Executive Director.

Katherine has an undergraduate degree in Biology and a Masters and PhD in Biogeography. Her research interests have included forested and non-forested systems, including alvar communities within karst landscapes. Her research projects have led her to conduct vegetation sampling and monitoring, tree coring, soil sampling, water sampling and lake sediment sampling, all topics of current interest to the Biosphere's work. She has even conducted research in the Northern Bruce which is how she fell in love with the beautiful place we call home.

"I am thrilled to join the Northern Bruce community, this area continues to inspire me with its natural beauty since I first hiked its trails as a young adult," says Katherine, who with her husband and four children have a home near Dyers Bay and a residence in Kitchener.

Thanks to our many funders and volunteers and the exceptional work of Sean Lipere and Neils Munk who made this milestone achievement possible. Particularly we thank the Dalglish Foundation for funding this part-time position.

We look forward to working with Katherine in the future.



Photo: The Biosphere Association welcomes Dyers Bay resident Dr. Katherine McLeod as Executive Director.