



Joseph Shannon

Born and raised in Rossland, BC in a family of 10, with 10 cousins as next door neighbours. Post secondary education at Selkirk College, UBC, BCIT and Kwantlen College. I love travelling in BC, Canada and internationally. I am an avid cyclist... along with my wife we have cycled across parts of Europe, BC, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Nova Scotia and PEI.

Married with 2 boys - 29 and 32. Trained as a draftsperson and Architectural Technologist. Worked with the Province of BC, Dept. of Highways and various architectural and engineering firms. Presently employed as a Senior Building Envelope Technologist with Iredale Group Architecture in Gastown.

Member of the Nova Métis board of directors since 2010. I enjoy being involved in our culture and hope to continue that involvement for a long time. I would like to assist in developing awareness of the Métis by the Métis, and awareness of the Métis by the non-Métis population. I am also interested in actively developing and encouraging Métis participation in "Aboriginal" functions and gatherings throughout the Lower Mainland. My Métis roots are through the Whitford clan who were part of the Red River settlement.

"Member of the FNCC, First Nations Careers Council, which is responsible for promoting technological training and awareness amongst aboriginal (First Nations, Métis and Inuit) peoples in the Province of BC. I am also an Applied Science Technologist with the ASTTBC, Applied Science Technologists and Technicians of BC.

I am Proud to be Metis - "**Kischee tey mo'yaan aen li Michif wi'yaan!**" Good health and happiness to you all!