



Director
Kyla MacArthur
2016-current

Councillor of the Town of Dawson City
2012-current

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Biography

Originally from Ontario, Kyla spent her teen years in Port Hope actively involved on her high school student government and in the arts and theatre community. She attended Humber College for Photography in Toronto, ON and was lucky to have had the opportunity to intern in New York City with Annie Leibovitz. Although she aspired to live the big city life as a commercial photographer, Kyla moved to Dawson to work for one summer in 2000 and quickly realized that the Yukon was the place for her – a story like many others.

Kyla has had the privilege of working in several “careers” in Dawson City. From humble beginnings as a house-keeper, old-time portrait photographer, and bartender, Kyla currently works at the Yukon School of Visual Arts as the Administrative Officer, but still takes on bartending and food service shifts at local watering holes as a way to keep in touch with locals and welcome visitors in the summer. She also fondly remembers her stint as the City’s Zamboni driver for a season.

Kyla was elected to council in 2012 for her first-ever term and was re-elected for her second term in 2015.

Before getting into municipal politics, Kyla was very active on several boards and committees in Dawson, most notably the Dawson City Arts Society, the Dawson City Community Radio Society and the local chapter of the IODE. Still an avid volunteer for festivals and events, Kyla’s favorite events include any excuse for fireworks and Dawson City’s Canada Day Parade.