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Virginia Tech Staff Employee of the Week

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Name: Elizabeth Jane Harrison
Job Title: Administrative Assistant
Employee's Home Department: School of the Arts
Employee's College or VP Area: College of Liberal Arts & Human Sciences
Nominated For: President's Award for Excellence
Nominated By: Paul Antonie "Tony" Distler
Virginia Tech Hire Date: June 16, 1973



Summary

Jane Harrison has served the University, with dedication and distinction, for over 30 years. However, her nomination is not solely on her longevity of service to the university. Rather, it is on her assumption and mastery of pedagogical and producorial efforts that are usually the domain of faculty members: she has assumed the role of Graduate Teaching Assistant for the Fine Arts 2004 class; she serves as Associate Producer of the annual Summer Arts Festival (SAF); and she administers the University Artists Registry.

Her unending enthusiasm for showcasing the arts within the Virginia Tech community is exceptional. Jane arranges for musical entertainment, ranging from pianist to jazz quintets, from string quartets to a cappella groups, several times a year. Whatever the need, whatever the audience, Jane is there to help. She analyzes the needs, searches for student or local performers, and finalizes details for the most appropriate entertainment for university programs. The university owes Jane a world of thanks for adding to the cultural experience of alumni and to the general pleasure of participants who are lucky enough to reap the benefits of Jane's diligence and dedication.

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