



**2019 Colorado Chautauqua Association (CCA)  
Board of Directors Candidate Application**

Complete and save this application and submit electronically  
to CCA Nominating Committee c/o [membership@chautauqua.com](mailto:membership@chautauqua.com)

**Deadline for receipt of applications: 5 p.m. MDT on Monday, June 24th**

Information from candidate applications will be included verbatim with the online ballot and  
in information mailed to those who vote by paper ballot.

Handwritten applications cannot be accepted.

**Name:** Dan Corson

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**Employment:** Retired; occasional consultant

**Business Name, Address and Phone:**

**How long so employed?**

**Do you currently live in the Boulder area? If so, how long have you lived here? Yes;**  
46 years

**Are you currently a member of CCA? How long have you been a member? Yes;**  
many years

**Time available to commit to the CCA Board of Directors: 10 hours per week or  
whatever it takes**

**Please provide three references (name, association/relationship, phone number):**

Steve Turner, State Historic Preservation Officer and History Colorado CEO, former  
supervisor, 303-866-2776

Beth Pommer, friend and Boulder and Chautauqua neighborhood native, 303-444-2545

Ed Self, former CEO of Wildlands Restoration Volunteers on which board I formerly served and chaired, 303-775-6532

Why are you interested in serving on the CCA Board of Directors?

I am currently ending a two-year partial term on the CCA board to which I was elected to fill a vacancy. Beginning in 1980 my wife Sharyn and I have lived within a block of the Chautauqua grounds and are daily visitors and users. Having Chautauqua nearby has added to our quality of life as well as that of our children. I believe my prior service on city boards and the city council as well as other non-profit boards and committees renders me qualified to understand how Boulder's growth pressures both adversely and positively affect traditional institutions such as Chautauqua.

1. What would you hope to accomplish as a Board Member? What, specifically, would you like to work on as a CCA Board member, and why?

I currently serve on both the Community Connections and Building and Grounds committees, co-chairing the latter. I would like to remain on those committees that address my primary interests of maintaining the historic character of the Chautauqua grounds and bringing more diverse audiences to enjoy and benefit from Chautauqua programs.

2. What do you see as the three greatest challenges or issues facing Chautauqua and the Colorado Chautauqua Association in the next 5 – 10 years?

Ensuring that Chautauqua's grounds and buildings are as ready as possible to deal with climate change, especially wildfires.

Securing funding for a much-needed mechanical building.

Reaching out to diverse and economically challenged citizens to enjoy and benefit from Chautauqua programs.

**3. How could you aid CCA in its outreach to the community?**

I have lived in Boulder for 46 years and have been active in the community for the bulk of them. My service on city boards and council and non-profit organizations has brought me in contact with influential citizens in most Boulder walks of life. I also am a historic preservation professional and know leaders at local, state, and national levels.

**4. Describe your nonprofit or for-profit board experience. Please include any fundraising you may have done.**

Boulder Shelter for the Homeless  
Boulder Housing Partners (formerly Boulder Housing Authority)  
PLAN-Boulder County  
Wildland Restoration Volunteers (Fundraising was a requirement of board service.)  
UCB History Advisory Board (The primary purpose of the board was fundraising).  
First Congregational Church historian  
I have also served on numerous committees.

Preservation Boards:  
Historic Boulder, Inc. (President)  
Colorado Preservation, Inc. (Public Policy Chair)  
National Alliance of Preservation Commissions (Executive Committee)  
I currently serve on the Preservation Policy Committee that meets prior to and during the state legislative session.)

*Board members are expected to make a monetary donation of some amount in addition to the membership fee. We strive for 100 percent board participation.*