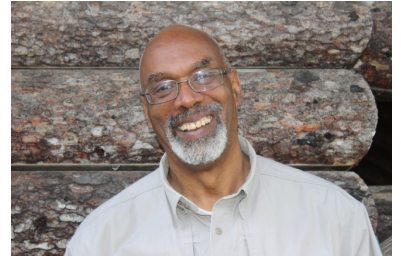


PETITION CANDIDATE BIOS

Aaron Mair is a retired public health professional who believes in a strong volunteer led Sierra Club that is dedicated to the principles of grassroots movement building. He is currently working as the Wilderness Campaigns Director for the Adirondack Council. He was a founding Environmental Justice pioneer movement leader, past Chapter Chair of the Atlantic Chapter and the 57th president of the Sierra Club. He holds an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters from Binghamton University for his work on climate and environmental protection. He was one of the lead activist organizers of the first ever successful shutdown of an active New York State run solid waste incinerator. He served as a delegate to the 2001 UN World Conference Against Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia and Related Intolerance in Durban, South Africa; was a founding member of the National Black Environmental Justice Network; and has been an NGO delegate to the United Nations Climate Change Conference - COP21 in Paris and COP26 in Scotland as he continues to fight against climate change.



Maya Khosla is a wildlife biologist, writer, environmental filmmaker, and forest protection advocate in the Sierra Club's Redwood Chapter where she fights for the protection of habitat and against public lands logging projects and cutting and burning trees to create energy. She served as Sonoma County Poet Laureate (2018-2020), bringing Sonoma's communities together through poetry gatherings and field walks after the 2017 fires. Sonoma County Conservation Council (SCCC) selected her as one of the 2020 Environmentalists of the Year. Her poetry books include "All the Fires of Wind and Light" from Sixteen Rivers Press (2020 PEN Oakland/Josephine Miles Literary Award), "Keel Bone" from Bear Star Press (Dorothy Brunsman Poetry Prize), and "Web of Water: Life in Redwood Creek". Her writing has been featured in documentary films including "Village of Dust, City of Water," about the water crises in rural India.

Dr. Michael Dorsey is a globally recognized environmental advocate and expert on climate change, climate justice, clean energy (especially solar), and environmental sustainability, as well as a lifelong hiker and back-packer. A long-time Sierra Club leader, Dr. Dorsey has served multiple terms on the Sierra Club's national Board of Directors (1997-2003; 2008-09; and 2014-2017). He has a Ph.D. from the University Of Michigan in Natural Resources and Environmental Policy, and Masters' degrees from Yale University and Johns Hopkins University. Dr. Dorsey was an Environmental Studies professor at Dartmouth College, and Director of Dartmouth's Climate Justice Research Project. He has also served as a visiting professor at universities around the world, including South Africa and Sweden, and was an environmental advisor to Barack Obama's 2008 Presidential Campaign. Dr. Dorsey is presently a partner in the US-Spanish solar energy company, IberSun, and has overseen the advancement of solar energy nationally and globally to foster a rapid shift away from fossil fuels and toward clean energy.



Kathryn (Kate) Bartholomew is a life-long environmental activist who spent a vocational career undercover as a not-quite mild-mannered graphic designer and public secondary school biology and environmental science educator. She is currently in her fourth year as Chair of the Atlantic Chapter, before which she served two terms as its Vice Chair and Conservation Chair before that. Additionally, Kate is active as Conservation Chair in her Sierra Club Group (the Finger Lakes Group). She is a member of the Nuclear Free CORE Team and the newly-minted Cryptocurrency Task Force. Two of the most momentous environmental milestones noted in NYS during Kate's time on the Atlantic Chapter ExCom were the banning of fracking and passage of the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act, both directly due to the collaborative action of diverse groups, individuals and coalitions of grassroots activists. "I believe the strength of any being resides in its center; and the center of the Sierra Club are its volunteers."

Other issues: Environmental Justice, Indigenous Rights, Rights of Nature.