

Speech Arts Adjudicator – Susan Fullerton

Born and raised in the Cowichan Valley, Susan spent her early years performing in festivals on Vancouver Island.

After high school, she studied theatre at the University of Victoria and Camosun College's Professional Actor Training Program.

Upon graduation, she appeared in many productions with the Bastion Theatre Company in Victoria, including roles in 'Artichoke' and 'Life With Father'.

In 1981, she relocated to Toronto, where she continued to act in live theatre, as well as work in television and film.

After obtaining her ARCT in Speech and Drama with the Royal Conservatory of Music, she was invited to become a faculty member, teaching creative drama classes for children and teens, as well as giving private instruction.

Susan began adjudicating festivals in the early 1990s. To date, she has worked at dozens of festivals across Canada, most recently in Cowichan Valley and Powell River.

Every summer, Susan returns to upstate New York, where she is a resident actor with the Taconic Stage Company. Some of her favorite roles for TSC include Amanda in 'Private Lives', Emily Dickinson in 'The Belle of Amherst' and most recently, Angela in the one-woman show, 'My Brilliant Divorce'.

Five years ago, Susan and her husband moved back to Vancouver Island, where they settled in Maple Bay. She is delighted to be adjudicating the St. Catharines Festival.

