

## **RASC Board Candidate Statement**

**Eric Briggs**

Between 2019 and 2025 I have been serving as the Society's Secretary, and before being appointed to the Board in 2019 I was the chair and recorder of National Council at various times between 2015 and 2019. I have also had various responsibilities with the Toronto Centre. I'm thankful for receiving the Society's Service Medal in 2017, and the Chilton Prize in 2008 for my participation in the Puckett Observatory Supernova Search.

Since 2008 I have been employed by Spitz Space Systems, which is now a division of Cosm, Inc., providing training and technical support for Digistar planetarium products, and before that, the Canadian planetarium application Starry Night. In 2012 I emigrated to the United States with my spouse Brenda Shaw, who is also an active RASC member and author. The career opportunities I've found started in some way when I joined the RASC back in 1997, and I'd like to continue to help facilitate experiences like these with other observers on their way up.

For the coming term I am looking forward to moving out of the Secretary portfolio. The institutional knowledge of the RASC that the Secretary has access to should be shared with other volunteers, and I'm looking forward to doing that through other activities and liaising between our volunteer committees, Staff and the Board.

Thank you!

