



Alexandra and Jordan Patrich

Alexandra Patrich (nee Fehr) was born and raised on the ancestral and unceded territories of the x^wməθkwəy̓əm (Musqueam) First Nation. For over a decade Alexandra has had the privilege of learning from Canada's diverse Indigenous communities. Her deep-seated commitment for organizational and community development began through these relationships, as it was here where she first questioned whose voices and experiences were informing our practices. These questions have grounded her practice

in restorative frameworks while working in the areas of: the prevention of human trafficking and sexual exploitation of children and youth; the role of gender in reporting childhood sexual abuse; decolonizing Indigenous child welfare systems of care; and systems transformation for individuals with concurrent and complex needs who are navigating criminal justice, health and/or child welfare systems. These experiences are complemented by Alexandra's education in social work (Bachelor in Social Work), with a specialization in child welfare, and community health sciences (Master in Science), with a focus in family violence and conflict resolution. Alexandra is currently registered with the B.C. College of Social Workers and is working towards her Certificate of Indigenous Leadership, Governance, and Management Excellence through the Banff Centre. Currently she works for First Nations Health Authority – Canada's first and only First Nations provincial health authority – as the Manager of Quality Care and Safety.

Jordan Patrich was born and raised on the ancestral and unceded territory of the x^wməθkwəy̓əm (Musqueam) and Qayqayt First Nations. Jordan was bar mitzvahed at Beth Israel Synagogue. He worked with his father and family in art dealing for several years before attending the Siebel Institute of Technology for brewing technology. Since completing his studies, Jordan has worked as a Brew Master for the past 7 years. His favourite thing about brewing beer is being able to experiment with flavours and ingredients to establish bold and unique new creations. Jordan's inspiration comes from surrounding himself with other creative people (such as his dear friends and family), dabbling in photography and art appreciation. Those who know Jordan rave about his exceptional gift for cooking and bringing people together. His favourite jewish foods include matzo ball soup, gefilte fish, brisket and pastrami sandwiches.

Alexandra and Jordan were married this year on May 9, 2020 and are grateful to have joined the Or Shalom community. They also look forward to continuing to weave Jewish traditions and ceremonies into their day-to-day, especially as they grow their family.