

Land Trust Alliance of British Columbia  
**COVENANT MANAGEMENT WORKSHOP 2013**  
 In cooperation with The Nature Conservancy of Canada  
 Rialto Hotel Victoria

**Thursday October 24 2013**

11am - 12:30pm LTABC Youth Project with Kathleen Sheppard engaging the youth of BC to support land trusts: find out about LTABC's youth program, available to all land trusts; light lunch included.  12:30 - 2:30pm Social Media with Paul McNair explore the possibilities of social media, Facebook, storytelling, advertising, contests and more. Free with covenant workshop. \$49 all others	
3:00- 6:00	Is the covenant the right tool?  Negotiations and restrictions – a closed deal at any cost?
6:00-7:00	Dinner
7:00 -8:30	Baseline Documentation Reports – planning, writing, signing
8:30	Social

**Friday October 25 2013**

	Breakfast
9:00-10:30	Covenant Monitoring – Policy & Procedures  Preparing to monitor  In the field data collection
10:30-10:45	Break
10:45-11:45	Determining the compliance and violations  Covenant record keeping – underrated aspect of monitoring
11:45-1:15	Awards Lunch  Included with registration. Individual tickets \$30
1:15-2:00	Violation Response – What do we do now?
2:00-2:15	Break
2:30-3:30	Landowner relations – beyond monitoring
4pm	Amendments – when, why, how  Revitalizing old covenants

## 2013 WORKSHOP FACILITATORS

### LISA MACLAUGHLIN



**Position:** National Stewardship Compliance Manager

**Started with NCC:** 1999

**Education:** Bsc. Biology, MSc. Rural Planning & Land Resource Science

**Hobbies:** cycling, skiing

**Volunteering (outside NCC):** daycare fundraising, annual neighbourhood garden swap

**Favourite species:** sundews (no particular species)

**Quirks/oddities:** likes crunchy food

**Adjectives that describe you well:** energetic, creative, determined

**Why did you want to join the NCC team?** To help protect natural spaces for wildlife and people

**Why do you think stewardship is such an important part of NCC's work?** Stewardship — having ownership of the land or a legal interest in the land — reduces one major threat to conservation: conversion. However, there are many other threats to biodiversity that exist no matter who owns the land, such as invasive species or lingering impacts of previous incompatible uses.

The Nature Conservancy of Canada's (NCC's) stewardship work helps to reduce or eliminate those threats and realize the organization's mission by ensuring that the quality of the habitats on our properties are maintained or improved over time. Moreover, the process of implementing practical stewardship actions, such as removing hazards or planting trees, provides NCC with an opportunity to share our passion and knowledge in a tangible way with our neighbours, volunteers, interns and donors.

### KATIE BLAKE



Katie Blake is the BC Conservation Coordinator & Analyst for the Nature Conservancy of Canada. She has worked for NCC since 2001, and during that time has been involved with 60 land securement projects. Katie has negotiated and drafted conservation covenants for properties across BC, including working forests, ranch lands, parklands and residential areas. She has experience working with government programs and agencies as they intersect with conservation covenants, including the Ecological Gifts Program and the Agricultural Land Commission. Katie has a BA in Environmental Studies from Mount Holyoke College in Massachusetts and lives in Victoria BC.