



Are you passionate about design and eager to play a vital role in shaping the Seattle Design Festival? We're looking for dedicated volunteers to join the SDF '25 Planning Team. There are two ways to engage with the planning committee: as a **Planning Team Member**, or as a **Chair**.

Benefits: Professional networking, leadership development, and the chance to envision and execute the region's largest design event, gathering 10,000+ people annually.

Planning Team Volunteers

We are seeking 10-12 Planning Team Volunteers. As a volunteer, you'll commit to bi-weekly meetings from February through August, with an average monthly commitment of 5-6 hours, and increased involvement (10-30 hours) in August to help implement the Festival. Volunteers will also work independently within subcommittees on specific tasks, such as proposal review, partner communication, and event logistics. Subcommittees may vary, but typically align with Festival elements like Built Installations, Pop-Up Programming, Mainstage, and Mixers. See our [SDF 2024: WHAT IF? schedule at a glance](#) to learn more about past Festival elements.

We're looking for volunteers who are:

- **Reliable:** Able to attend all meetings and meet time commitments.
- **Collaborative:** Willing to support team needs and foster a [cooperative spirit](#).
- **Relationship Builders:** Comfortable communicating with community partners to help bring their proposals to life.
- **Passionate:** Enthusiastic about design, urbanism, arts, public programming, or event management. You don't need to be a design professional—all skill sets are welcome!

Chair Role

Want to have an even larger impact on SDF '25? We are looking for **two Chairs** to manage and lead the Festival alongside the Planning Committee and staff.

Chairs will:

- Project manage the festival, coordinating the schedule, staffing, and budget with SDF staff.
- Mentor Planning Committee members, helping them lead their subgroups effectively.
- Actively promote the festival on personal and professional social media channels.
- Serve as ambassadors for SDF and the festival, building and maintaining relationships citywide.
- Organize bi-weekly meetings with the Planning Committee, documenting key points and decisions.
- Manage SDF's Google Drive to ensure activities and plans are organized and accessible.

Join Us

By becoming a Planning Team Volunteer or Chair for the 2025 Seattle Design Festival, you'll make a meaningful impact on Seattle's design community. **If interested, please email your statement of interest to info@seadesignfest.org by December 15.** After receiving your interest, selected candidates may be invited for a brief interview/orientation. We look forward to welcoming you to the team!