

The Memory Hub

Meet the Memory Hub On-Site Collaborators!

Learn about the people you'll meet at the Memory Hub.



Marigrace Becker is the UW Memory and Brain Wellness Center's Program Manager for Community Education and Impact and director of the new Memory Hub. She is passionate about building dementia-friendly communities and excited to see the way the Memory Hub will create new opportunities for collaboration and innovation. In her spare time, she enjoys running, bringing people together, and celebrating whenever possible.

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Kris Rhoads is a neuropsychologist at the UW Memory and Brain Wellness Center and founding member of the Memory Hub. He is most excited about partnering with people and families around making positive changes to live well with memory loss and is grateful to be able to take this work to the collaborative space that is the Memory Hub. In his spare time, his world mainly revolves around his wife and daughter, their Chocolate Lab (Mango), and his community of fellow (mostly middle-aged) rock climbers.



Mary Jane Knecht is Manager of Creative Aging Programs at the Frye Art Museum. She is excited to collaborate with the Memory Hub community to offer experiences that celebrate present-moment awareness, new possibilities for creative expression, and opportunities that deepen our shared humanity. Dividing her time between Seattle and the Olympic Peninsula, she enjoys swimming, gardening, and life with her husband and two cats.



Allyson Schrier is the Program Manager for Project ECHO Dementia, and helps support the Dementia-Friendly Washington Learning Collaborative. She is grateful to work on projects that help people living with dementia and their families thrive beyond their diagnosis. She lives in the 'Issaquah Alps' where she loves communing with nature on foot or on her mountain bike.

> Carolyn Parsey is a neuropsychologist at the UW Memory and Brain Wellness Center and enjoys helping people use technology to make day-to-day life with memory loss a little easier. At the Memory Hub, she'll lead workshops and demonstrations of helpful technologies. She is excited to collaborate with others on projects that promote independence and wellbeing for people with memory loss. When not at work, you'll find her planning her next travel adventure, officiating soccer matches, rockhounding for gemstones, or playing fastpitch softball with fellow college 'has-beens'.



Genevieve Wanucha is the science writer and website manager for the UW Memory and Brain Wellness Center. At the Memory Hub, she helps to create Maude's Garden and coordinate the memory garden volunteers, communications, and planting. She works alongside garden team members Peach Jack, Laura Rumpf, and Marigrace Becker. Genevieve is also a botanical artist who works in watercolor and colored pencil and will soon be a new mother.

Em Brulotte is the Helpline Coordinator/Care Consultant for the Alzheimer's Association, and a Care Navigator for the UW Medicine Memory and Brain Wellness Center. They work with families and individuals who are experiencing memory loss by providing consultations and resources. Em is excited to be a collaborator within the Memory Hub as we work to create a community of dementia related programs and services. While out of the office, Em enjoys time outdoors, cooking, and spending time with friends.



Annie Koziol has worked with Elderwise for many years and is now the Director. She looks forward to the incredible opportunity of collaborating with the dementia-friendly organizations coming together at the Memory Hub. In her spare time, she gardens and has fun with her children, grandchild, and friends.

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Tegenu Negi is the Training and Outreach Specialist at Full Life Care. He is excited to provide the evidence-based STAR-Full Life Care dementia training for family and in-home caregivers. He sees being involved at the Memory Hub as a great opportunity to collaborate with other programs and expand services to communities. In his spare time, he enjoys traveling, gardening, and playing ground tennis.

Rena Ferretti is the Director of Community Programs at Full Life Care and enjoys bringing people together to make the world a better place. She has worked in the dementia community as a support group facilitator for over a decade and holds dear the relationships that have developed over that time. In her spare time, she enjoys gardening and fly fishing.

Sandy Sabersky is co-founder and board chair of Elderwise and is co-author of *The Elderwise Way*: A Different Approach to Life with Dementia. She is looking forward to in-person meetings again and being in community with participants in the Elderwise day program. Sandy is happy to be a part of the Memory Hub team. Sandy enjoys being out in nature.

Lindsay Waltner is the Program Coordinator and a Program Facilitator for Elderwise. Lindsay enjoys finding connections and sharing her passion for art with the Elderwise participants, and is excited to be part of a collaborative dementia friendly community at the Memory Hub. When she isn't working at the Memory Hub, Lindsay loves cooking, traveling, and being an aunt.









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