

Name: Manna Jo Greene

Years: 1945 - Present

Residence: Cottekill, NY

Brief Biography: Manna Jo Greene is the Environmental Director for the Hudson River Sloop Clearwater and the founder of the Hudson Valley Sustainable Communities Network (HVSCN), which has since become the Sustainable Hudson Valley (SHV). She is an environmental activist who became inspired as a teenager working alongside Dr. Martin Luther King and other leaders in the civil rights movements of the 1960's. In her website biography Manna Jo declares that she is

committed to the beliefs that humans can live in harmony with each other and the Earth, and if your cause is just and you are persistent, you will eventually triumph.

Besides spending quality time with her family, practicing yoga, and dancing, Manna Jo has logged an impressive list of environmental and civic accomplishments.

Major Achievements: She currently serves as Contributing Editor to the Hudson Valley GREEN Times and is an active member of the following organizations:

Hudson Valley Smart Growth Alliance, Hudson Valley Sustainable Energy Alliance, and the Environmental Protection Agency's Citizen's Advisory Group for remediation of Hudson River PCB's.

Manna has served as Chair of the Rosendale Environmental Commission and Vice-Chair of the Ulster County Environmental Management Council. She served on the Hudson Valley Regional Packaging Task Force, the New York State Battery Task Force, and the New York State Roundtable for Consensus on Tire Management. She helped found the Hudson Valley Green Building and Renewable Energy Working Group, was a member of the Hudson Valley Materials Exchange, and helped start the Hudson Valley Biodiesel Coop. For five years she hosted a local weekly environmental call-in radio show, the Recycling Hotline and Environment Show, on WGHQ.

Manna Jo is an avid supporter of collaborative land use planning and problem-solving.

More Information: Manna Jo Greene's public profile at:
<http://www.plaxo.com/directory/profile/77309656851/ade19aa5/Manna/Greene>

Sources: Manna Jo Greene's website at:
<http://mannajo.weebly.com/>

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