

Linda Showman

Linda Showman brings the experience of three careers to her work in the area of restorative justice. Her first and continuing passion is music. She holds a Bachelor and Master of Music in piano performance, taught as an adjunct professor for Lewis & Clark College, Portland State University and Reed College, and, among other recognition, received the Oregon Arts Commission Individual Fellowship in 1982. Over time she became involved in the light manufacturing of etched glass and metal with her husband Roger Ostrom, eventually becoming the COO with oversight of all non-production aspects of the business. When the business was sold, Linda returned to school, receiving a Master of Theology. She then served on and is recently retired from the faculty of Mount Angel Seminary, working as the Associate Director of Pastoral Formation. During her time on the faculty she developed a ministry program with attention to justice issues and an approach to formation with a focus on compassion. She also served as adjunct faculty for University of Portland's Master of Arts in Pastoral Ministry program where she was the director of the student practicum course and taught Theology of Ministry. Linda is a member of City Club of Portland, volunteers on a steering committee for the Northwest Catholic Counseling Center and assists with morning hospitality and music ministry at St. Andre Bessette Catholic Church.

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