

Veena Jain

Personal Affiliation: Math Educator (High School and Community College)

Background: With a BA in Economics/Statistics, I moved quickly to get into the hot new subject of Computer Science in the mid-1980s when it was considered a subsidiary of the Mathematics Department. Worked at Unisys. However, my true passion was not programming/coding but teaching students the joy of learning through project-based learning such as integrated science and math projects. Hence I got my CA teaching credentials. I have always admired true scientists and real-life problem-solvers. Some of my students who participated in local science fairs won the competitions. Since then, volunteering for these STEM fairs has become part of my life for the last 20 years.

Joined the Board: 2005

Board positions: *Current:* Volunteer, Publicity, and Fundraising *Past:* President, Category Judging Chair, Sponsored Awards Chair, Winners Circle Event Chair

What attracted you to serve on the board? The passion, integrity, and commitment of SCVSEFA board members to keep encouraging STEM education.