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VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR

BREANNA MROCZEK, GLASS BUFFALO

Breanna Mroczek began offering her volunteer services to Glass Buffalo in 2014, where her enthusiasm for publishing and her eagerness to share knowledge has made her indispensable. She doesn't just help Glass Buffalo get work done—she elevates the magazine to new levels of excellence.

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When she's not devoting her time to Glass Buffalo, Mroczek shares her talent and enthusiasm with aspiring magazine writers, helping them craft pitches and find venues for their work. For two years, she sat on the Alberta Magazine Publishers Association Conference Committee, shaping professional development opportunities for the province's magazine makers.

Mroczek's volunteerism isn't limited to the publishing industry. She's also the volunteer social media coordinator at The Local Good, an organization that helps Edmontonians support their local economy, creating a thriving online community for more than 14,000 followers.