

Tania Chomiak-Salvi is a creative advocacy professional with 25 years experience designing and delivering outreach programs in foreign policy. Tania currently works as a board member for two non-profit organizations and continues to pursue causes to make the world a better place through social justice.

As a Foreign Service Officer in the Department of State, Tania specialized in building foreign public support for U.S. national security and prosperity goals. She represented the ideas and people of the United States to foreign publics in Kazakhstan, Belgium, Poland, the UK, and at the United Nations. She also held leadership positions in the State Department, including in educational and cultural exchange, digital communications, European issues and on national Fulbright boards. Leveraging her public speaking skill, Tania trained foreign service professionals.

Board membership with the Young Survival Coalition, the national organization for young women affected by breast cancer, allows Tania to turn her own experience with cancer to benefit young women. Tania was diagnosed with breast cancer at an early age and early in her Foreign Service career. She began advocating to increase awareness of breast cancer in young women in 1998 in the U.S., and she continued to raise issues of breast cancer in young women overseas. In Poland from 2000 to 2002, she organized talks for women, often providing the first information available about breast cancer in young women. In Italy, she volunteered with the European breast cancer advocacy network, Europa Donna, where she introduced unprecedented programs for young women. In Belgium and in Washington, she has continued to build networks and connect individuals on the topic.

Tania is on the board of the Taras Shevchenko School of Ukrainian Studies run by the Ukrainian-American community in Washington, DC. A 1980s graduate of the Taras Shevchenko School, Tania supports the school to ensure that children of Ukrainian heritage and those interested in Ukraine have the resources to learn the language, history, culture and literature of that European country.

Tania received her Masters of Arts in Law and Diplomacy from the Fletcher School in 1993 and her BA from the University of Virginia in 1989. Tania is married to Lucantonio Salvi, an attorney. They have two sons.

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