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Shannon Donahue is the executive director for the Great Bear Foundation, a nonprofit bear conservation organization, working out of their Northern Office in Haines, Alaska. She is also the business manager at Alaska Arts Confluence focusing on their Art on Main Street and Fort Seward Wayside Interpretation projects.

Shannon is currently working with Dr. Frank Tyro and Matt Anderson on a documentary film on the life and work of Dr. Charles Jonkel. Her research interests focus on the effects of tourism on bears in North America and human-bear interactions on multiple use salmon streams.

Previously, she worked for the State of Alaska's Division of Parks and Outdoor Recreation as a park specialist conducting bear safety education/outreach/public information on the Chilkoot River Recreation Corridor.

Shannon studied at Reed College before earning a BA degree in English/creative writing from the University of Montana. She went on to earn a MS in environmental studies with a concentration in bear conservation and education also at the University of Montana.

