

# ARIZONA HISTORICAL SOCIETY BOARD MEMBER

## VANCE BRYCE

Graham County, Appointed 2021



Vance Bryce is the Executive Director of the Graham County Chamber of Commerce in Safford, Arizona. His Arizona ancestors include a stagecoach robber, a polygamist who had 7 wives and 52 children, a two-time Arizona gubernatorial candidate, and the millwright and road-builder after whom the National Park Service named Bryce Canyon in Southern Utah.

Vance graduated from Thatcher High School in Thatcher, Arizona, where he served as Student Body President. During high school, former Senator Jon Kyl of Arizona appointed him to be a Page in the United States Senate. He attended Eastern Arizona College and graduated from Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah with his degree in American Studies with a minor in English. While at Brigham Young, he served on the Student Advisory Council, Humanities Student Council, and American Studies Council.

After graduation, he moved to Washington, DC, where he worked as a congressional aide for United States Representative Mike Thompson, a Blue Dog Democrat from St. Helena, California, before moving back home to Arizona in 2018.

He is a member of the Graham County Historical Society, Eastern Arizona Historical Society and Museum, Safford Rotary Club, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Congressional Staff Association, LGBT Congressional Staff Association, American Studies Association, and the United States Capitol Page Alumni Association.