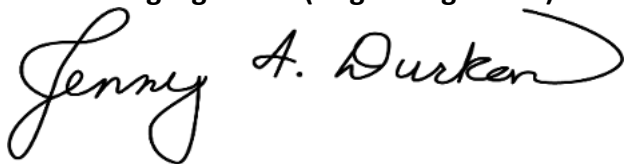




City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

Appointee Name: Ron A. Chew		
Board/Commission Name: The Seattle Public Library Board of Trustees		Position Title: Member
<input type="checkbox"/> Appointment OR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reappointment		Council Confirmation required? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Appointing Authority: <input type="checkbox"/> Council <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mayor <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <i>Fill in appointing authority</i>	Date Appointed: 2/25/2021	Term of Position: * 4/2/2021 to 4/1/2026 <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Serving remaining term of a vacant position</i>
Residential Neighborhood: Beacon Hill	Zip Code: 98144	Contact Phone No.: N/A
Background: Ron Chew was appointed to the Library Board by Mayor Ed Murray in September 2016. Mr. Chew recently retired as executive director of the ICHS Foundation from 2010 through 2020, helping raise money to support a network of community clinics serving Asian Pacific American immigrants and refugees and other underserved populations. Mr. Chew is principal of Chew Communications, where he documents local community history through oral history and multimedia projects. He served as executive director of the Wing Luke Asian Museum from 1991 to 2007, and served for more than 13 years as editor of the International Examiner. Mr. Chew is author of the book, "My Unforgotten Seattle" published in 2020, a memoir documenting a personalized history of the Asian community in Seattle. He has served on The Seattle Public Library Foundation Board and continues to advise and assist emerging museums and cultural centers on fundraising, capital campaigns, and diversity issues. Mr. Chew is a third generation Seattleite and a graduate of Franklin High School and the University of Washington.		
Authorizing Signature (original signature): 		Appointing Signatory: Jenny A. Durkan Mayor of Seattle

*Term begin and end date is fixed and tied to the position and not the appointment date.

RON A. CHEW

Principal, Chew Communications, www.chewcommunications.com

EMPLOYMENT

- 9/10 – Present Executive Director, International Community Health Services Foundation
Direct private fundraising for largest Asian Pacific Islander health care organization in Washington state. Includes board development, building donor base, coordination of annual fundraiser and coordination of capital campaign for new Shoreline and Bellevue clinics
- 1/08 – Present Principal, Chew Communications
Head of Seattle-based consulting firm specializing in executive leadership, community-based oral history, writing, research, publication and capacity-building for community-based non-profit organizations.
- 12/07 – 9/09 Community-Scholar-In-Residence, University of Washington, Museology Graduate Program
Teach classes on community-based museum model and relationship-based fundraising.
- 2/91 12-08 Executive Director, Wing Luke Asian Museum, Seattle
Manage non-profit Asian Pacific American historical museum with 20 employees and over 70 volunteers. Includes exhibit and program development, fundraising, public relations, collections supervision and community outreach and audience development. Leadership of \$23 million capital campaign to build new Museum in Chinatown-International District
- 9/89 - 1/91 Confidential Secretary
Washington State Commission on Asian Pacific American Affairs, Seattle
Represented state agency at Asian Pacific American community meetings, planned programs and events, drafted correspondence, scheduled meetings, supervised student interns, performed secretarial duties.
- 9/88 - 9/89 Multicultural Program Coordinator
Seattle Central Community College, Seattle
Provided guidance and assistance to 10 student organizations, worked with students, faculty, staff and community to plan ethnic and cultural arts events and activities for the college. Helped develop strategies to enhance minority student retention and education.
- 8/81 - 9/88 Editor
International Examiner, Seattle
Managed and produced semi-monthly Asian American newspaper in International District. Included recruitment, training and supervision of 30 to 35 member volunteer staff, news and editorial writing, editing, design, layout, fundraising, promotion, and distribution.
- 8/80 - 7/81 Executive Director
McKenzie River Gathering Foundation, Seattle
Established and staffed Seattle office of Northwest public foundation. Included donor fundraising; grants review; assistance to non-profits; production of quarterly newsletter, grants report booklet and fundraising materials; developing regional mailing list; and coordinating funding board.
- 1/77 - 1/80 Editor

- “Southeast Asian Voices,” co-author with Ed Echtele, book of oral histories, published by National Asian Pacific Center on Aging, 2011
- “Years of Caring: The Story of Nikkei Concerns,” September 2010
- “Dim Sum: The Seattle ABC (American Born Chinese) Dream, by Vera Ing (Introduction and Editing), published July, 2010
- “Pacific Islander Voices, compiled book of oral histories for National Asian Pacific Center on Aging, 2010
- “Senior Stories” co-author with Ed Echtele, book of oral histories, published by National Asian Pacific Center on Aging, 2010
- “Community-Based Arts Organizations: A New Center of Gravity,” monograph published by Americans for the Arts, Washington, D.C. 2009
- “Immigrants in America,” co-edited with Kris Morrissey, published by Museums and Social Issues Journal, Fall 2008
- “International Community Health Services: A Documentary History 1973-2008, published by ICHS Foundation, Seattle 2008
- “Museums and Civic Dialogue: Case Studies from Animating Democracy,” edited by Pam Korza and Barbara Schaffer Bacon. (Ron Chew introduction), Americans for the Arts, Washington, D.C. 2005
- “Taking Action: Advocates? Or Curators of Advocacy?”, *Museum News*, March/April 2004
- “The Joy and Agony of Reviewing Grants,” *Museum News*, September/October 2004
- “Crisis and Opportunity: Museums in the New Century Forum of Museum Directors,” essay in bilingual book, National Museum of History, 2003, Taipei, Taiwan
- “Reflections of Seattle’s Chinese Americans: The First 100 Years,” co-authored with Cassie Chinn, University of Washington Press, Seattle, 2003
- “Collected Stories: The Rise of Oral History in Museum Exhibitions,” *Museum News*, November/December 2002
- “Hum Bows, Not Hot Dogs: Memoirs of a Savvy Asian American Activist” by Bob Santos, (Ron Chew introduction) International Examiner Press, Seattle 2002
- “In Praise of the Small Museum,” *Museum News*, March/April 2002
- “Seattle’s International District: The Making of a Pan-Asian American Community,” by Doug Chin, (Ron Chew introduction), International Examiner Press, Seattle 2001
- “If Tired Hands Could Talk: Stories of Asian Garment Workers,” executive producer and writer, 60 minute video documentary, Wing Luke Asian Museum, Seattle 2001
- “The Wing Luke Asian Museum: Gathering Asian American Stories,” Chinese Historical Society of America, San Francisco, 2000
- “The History of the Cathay Post #186: The American Legion 1945-2000, introduction and editor, Seattle, WA, 2000
- “Finding Home in Chinatown: The Kong Yick Buildings,” executive producer and writer, 58-minute video documentary, Wing Luke Asian Museum, Seattle, 1998

Seattle Public Library Board of Trustees

5 Members: Pursuant to RCW 27.12, City Charter Article XII, all members subject to City Council confirmation, 5-year terms:

- # City Council-appointed
- 5 Mayor-appointed
- # Other Appointing Authority-appointed (specify):

Roster:

*D	**G	RD	Position No.	Position Title	Name	Term Begin Date	Term End Date	Term #	Appointed By
3	F	6	1.	Trustee	Carmen Bendixen	4/2/2020	4/1/2025	1	Mayor
6	M	7	2.	Trustee	Jay Reich	4/2/2019	4/1/2024	2	Mayor
2	M	2	3.	Trustee	W. Tali Hairston	4/2/2018	4/1/2023	1	Mayor
6	F	1	4.	Trustee	Kristi England	4/2/2017	4/1/2022	2	Mayor
1	M	2	5.	Trustee	Ron A. Chew	4/2/2021	4/1/2026	2	Mayor

SELF-IDENTIFIED DIVERSITY CHART

			(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)		
	Male	Female	Transgender	NB/ O/ U	Asian	Black/ African American	Hispanic/ Latino	American Indian/ Alaska Native	Other	Caucasian/ Non-Hispanic	Pacific Islander	Middle Eastern	Multiracial
Mayor	3	2			1	1	1			2			
Council													
Other													
Total													

Key:

*D List the corresponding *Diversity Chart* number (1 through 9)

**G List *gender*, M= Male, F= Female, T= Transgender, NB= Non-Binary O= Other U= Unknown

RD Residential Council District number 1 through 7 or N/A

Diversity information is self-identified and is voluntary.