



City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

Appointee Name: <i>Rokea Jones</i>		
Board/Commission Name: <i>Seattle Women's Commission</i>		Position Title: <i>Member</i>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Appointment OR <input type="checkbox"/> Reappointment		Council Confirmation required? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Appointing Authority: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Council <input type="checkbox"/> Mayor <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <i>Specify appointing authority</i>		Term of Office: <i>Confirmation - 07/01/17</i>
Residential Neighborhood: <i>Central Area Neighborhood District</i>	Zip Code: <i>98144</i>	Contact Phone No.:
Legislated Authority: <i>SMC 3.14.920, SMC 3.14.921, SMC 3.51.010, Ordinance 118392, Ordinance 120871, Ordinance 120325, Ordinance 123219</i>		
Background: <p>Rokea Jones is an educator, organizer and advocate. She has experience working with women and families in the areas of health, life skills and social justice. Rokea is a recent graduate of the Puget Sound Sage Community Leadership Institute and is a Community Liaison to the HALA Community Focus Group. Prior to this, she worked as a Behavioral Specialist at Hopeful Hands, Chef Educator with Community Kitchens and Rainier Valley Eats and was Program Coordinator and Educator with the Seattle Youth Violence Prevention Initiative. Rokea obtained her Bachelor of Liberal Arts with a Focus on Health and Human Development, Statistics and Sciences from The Evergreen State College.</p>		
Date of Appointment: <i>Confirmation</i>	Authorizing Signature (original signature): 	Appointing Signatory: <i>Councilmember Lisa Herbold Seattle City Council</i>

Rokea Jones

Educator...Organizer... Advocacy...Outreach

EXPERIENCE

HALA Focus Group, Seattle, WA — *Community Liaison*

April 2016 - PRESENT

The Housing Affordability and Livability Agenda (HALA) is a multi-pronged strategy for addressing the housing affordability crisis in Seattle. I was appointed to the Hala focus group to provide input to the Mayor's office in making final decisions for affordable housing in Seattle. As a focus group member it is my responsibility to meet with local community representatives from across the city to evaluate zoning options and draft a proposal for implementation

Hopeful Hands, Seattle, WA — *Behavior Specialist*

september 2014 - June 2016

Provided one on one for support for disabled youth and youth with challenging behavior. Aid youth in a school setting through daily tasks and expectations. Create safe environment. Track behaviors and triggers. Set goals for improved outcomes. Create systems that reward desired behavior and build confidence. Maintain communication with care team including other health care professionals, educators and family. Trained and most experienced working with youth on the autisticspectrum.

Community Kitchens Northwest, Seattle, WA — *Chef Educator*

May 2011 - June 2013

Community Kitchens is a Seattle Tilth program designed to empower people with the tools they need to eat well every day by sharing cooking skills, nutrition knowledge and food traditions. We engage up to 10 people in the process of creating a menu and preparations which then fed 100 to 150 people from the local surrounding community, my location was the Rainier Valley.

Rainier Valley Eats, Seattle, WA — *Chef educator*

Fall 2012

Rainier Valley Eats partners with Seattle Tilth, Public Health and The YMCA to promote more growing, sharing and cooking amongst youth in the Rainier Valley and surrounding areas. I lead the site at Cleveland high school, providing a cooking class in with Cleveland's after school program which was designed to keep youth in engaged during the hours they were likely to engage in "at risk" behaviors. My students learned life skills, and the professional skills that could allow them to look for work in the food industry. As well as nutrition knowledge and exploration of food traditions.

SKILLS

Please be advised that this resume does not reflect all of my work/skill set as an Industry trained Chef

As well as other skills such as

Public/Media speaking

Resource mapping/sourcing

My chef resume is available upon request or please ask during interview

LANGUAGES

English, basic ASL

Seattle Youth Violence Prevention Initiative, Seattle, WA— *Program Coordinator/Educator*

Summer 2009

The Seattle Youth Violence Prevention Initiative (SYVPI) was launched in 2009 as a partnership between the City of Seattle and several community-based organizations designed to reduce youth violence in Seattle. Myself in partnership with other community organizers, educators and Entrepreneurs created the S.T.A.R.T.S. (Students Taking Agriculture 'Round The Streets). S.T.A.R.T.S. was a multi pronged food justice program focused on Media, entrepreneurship, kitchen skills, food literacy. I helped to design curriculum and coordinate the program. Created a network of community partnerships to support our curriculum. Taught youth kitchen safety and kitchen skills, Ran Icebreakers and community building exercises to ensure trust and respect in our group. Lead the youth in critical thinking exercises. Researched literature and documentaries used to provided analysis of the themes of our curriculum engaged Youth in their community with local urban farms/green spaces, other local entrepreneurs and neighborhood walks to examine themes of food literacy in their community.

Open Arms Perinatal Services, Seattle, WA — *Volunteer Outreach Birth Doula*

November 2006-2008

I served women of color often of low economic backgrounds from the third trimester through birth and until a baby is about six to eight weeks old. My services included prenatal support and parenting education, continuous emotional and physical support throughout labor and delivery, hospital patient advocacy and assistance in early postpartum. I was responsible for maintaining confidential case notes to track program outcomes.

EDUCATION

The Evergreen State College, Olympia, WA — *B.A. Liberal Arts*

September 2002 - June 2006

Focus in Health and human development, Statistics, Sciences

Ventures, Seattle, WA — *Certificate of Completion*

Fall 2014

Business and Financial literacy Training

Puget Sound Sage Community leadership Institute, Seattle, WA — *Certificate of Completion*

March 2016

Community Fellowship program for proficiency in the process and skills needed for participation in government board/commission and Community Leadership. CLI trains and places advocates from low-income communities and communities of color to move an equity agenda on strategic local and regional boards/commissions.

PROJECTS

United Hood Movement —

A community lead organization to support marginalized peoples including civic engagement, Advocacy, Outreach, community organizing and linking people with much needed resources.

Seattle Women's Commission

MAY 2016

21 Commission members: Per SMC. 3.14.920, Confirmed by City Council 2-year terms, all subject to City Council confirmation, 2-years for each term]-year terms:

- 9 City Council-appointed
- 9 Mayor-appointed
- 2 Appointed by Commission, Confirmed by City Council
- 1 Member Get Engaged Program Appointed by the Mayor Confirmed by City Council
1-year term appointed in September

Roster:

*D	**G	Position No.	Position Title	Name	Term Start Date	Term End Date	Term #	Appointed By
2	F	1.	Member	Alyson L. Palmer	Confirmation	07/01/17	1 st	Mayor
2	F	2.	Member	Teresa Springer	12/15/14	07/01/16	1 st	Mayor
6	F	3.	Member	Jaron Reed Goddard	10/12/15	07/01/17	2 nd	Mayor
1	F	4.	Member	Sarah Domondon	12/15/14	07/01/16	1 st	Mayor
2	F	5.	Member	Tracey Whitten	10/12/15	07/01/17	2 nd	Mayor
6	F	6.	Member	Erica J. Soelling	Confirmation	07/01/17	1 st	Mayor
		7.	Member	Vacant		07/01/17		Mayor
6	F	8.	Member	Morgan R. Beach	07/02/2015	07/01/17	2 nd	Mayor
1	F	9.	Member	Lylianna Allala	09/30/14	07/01/15	1 st	Mayor
9	F	10.	Member	Idabelle Fosse	Confirmation	07/01/17	1 st	City Council
6	F	11.	Member	Honey Jo Herman	06/08/15	07/01/15	1 st	City Council
6	F	12.	Member	Alison Mondri	09/08/15	07/01/17	2 nd	City Council
2	F	13.	Member	Phyllis Lewis	09/29/14	07/01/16	2 nd	City Council
2	F	14.	Member	Mergitu Argo	08/04/14	07/01/16	2 nd	City Council
3	F	15.	Member	Elsa Batres-Boni	09/08/15	07/01/17	2 nd	City Council
2	F	16.	Member	Rokea Jones	Confirmation	07/01/17	1 st	City Council
5	F	17.	Member	Ruchika Tulshyan	07/02/16	07/01/18	1 st	City Council
2	F	18.	Member	Lakeisha Jackson	12/15/14	07/01/16	1 st	City Council
6	F	19.	Member	Michele Frix	08/04/14	07/01/16	2 nd	Commission
6	F	20.	Member	Nicki Olivier Hellenkamp	09/08/15	07/01/17	2 nd	Commission
2	F	21.	Get Engaged	Loida C. Erhard	09/08/15	09/30/16	1 term	Mayor

Diversity Chart:

				(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	
	Men	Women	Vacant	Minority	Asian-American	Black/African American	Hispanic/Latino	American Indian/Alaska Native	***Other	Caucasian/Non-Hispanic	Pacific Islander	Middle Eastern	Multiracial
Mayor	0	8	1	5	2	3	0	0	0	3	0	0	0
Council	0	9	0	7	0	4	1	0	1	2	0	0	1
Comm	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
GE	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	20	1	13	2	8	1	0	1	7	0	0	0

Key:

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

****G** List *gender*, M or F

*****Other** Includes diversity in any of the following: *race, gender and/or ability*