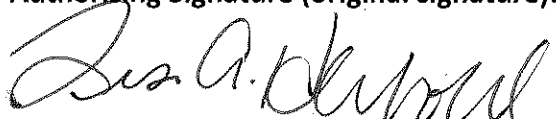




City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

Appointee Name: <i>Blaine Manuel Leal</i>		
Board/Commission Name: <i>Seattle LGBT Commission</i>		Position Title: <i>Commission 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 - 04/30/18</i>
Residential Neighborhood: <i>Greater Duwamish 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: Blaine was raised in Tulare, California on a diary farm ranch operated by his family of Portuguese descent with Middle Eastern influence. His parents, Marla and Steve, taught him that he could be whatever and whoever he wanted to be, as long as he was happy. While his two older brothers pursued careers in agriculture, Blaine decided to study English in college with the hope of becoming a high school teacher. During college at Cal Poly State University, San Luis Obispo, Blaine met many people who befriended and supported him. During his Senior Year, he came out proudly as a gay man to his friends and family. Although many in his Catholic family were skeptical of this revelation, he felt relieved that he could finally be honest about his sexual orientation. Throughout college, Blaine worked at restaurants and within at-risk youth programs, and graduated in June of 2013 with a B.A. in English. Shortly thereafter, he moved to Seattle, Washington to pursue a career in youth programs, and did so with only a checked bag and a carry-on piece of luggage in hand. Since then, Blaine has enjoyed the wonderful artistic culture and "come as you are" philosophy of his new home, Seattle, where he currently resides in the Beacon Hill neighborhood. Blaine has enjoyed working for the State of Washington as a Counselor for the past year and eight months, and he is actively seeking new employment. In the meantime, he keeps busy by engaging in volunteer advocacy and taking classes at Seattle Central College. He hopes to find employment in the near future, either in youth programs or in a more business-oriented field. Either way, he will continue to be a strong advocate for the LGBTQ community!		
Date of Appointment: <i>Confirmation</i>	Authorizing Signature (original signature): 	Appointing Signatory: <i>Councilmember Lisa Herbold Seattle City Council</i>

Blaine Manuel Leal

PROFESSIONAL OBJECTIVE

To excel as a community advocate for a respected LGBTQ organization, promoting their mission through passion and helping to achieve program goals through results-based performance.

QUALIFICATIONS SUMMARY

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|-------------------------------------|--|
|] Actively continuing education |] Track record of promotion and leadership |
|] Grassroots community organizing |] Youth counseling services |
|] Non-profit leadership |] Team-oriented professional |
|] Computer & technology integration |] At-risk youth case manager |

LGBT-RELATED EXPERIENCE

LGBTQ DIVERSITY GROUP FACILITATOR

JUNE 2014 -

PRESENT ECHO GLEN CHILDREN'S CENTER, DSHS, WA STATE

- ✓ Provide safe space to gather for LGBTQIA incarcerated youth
- ✓ Deliver educational and skills-based content to queer and questioning youth
- ✓ Coordinate with DSHS staff members to ensure success of group

WEBSITE MANAGER

NOV 2014 -

PRESENT

GAYTULARE.COM, GAY COMMUNITY NETWORK, TULARE CA + SEATTLE WA

- ✓ Write comedic and informative content to increase site traffic and chapter visibility
- ✓ Market non-profit chapter using social media sites Facebook, Twitter and Snapchat
- ✓ Collaborate with community partners including non-profits and schools to serve clients

COMMUNITY ORGANIZER

NOV 2013 - NOV

2014

TULARE LGBT ALLIANCE, TULARE CA

- ✓ Created multimedia content distributed to educators and shared widely
- ✓ Crowdfunded hundreds of dollars put toward successful outreach campaign
- ✓ Merged with a larger non-profit to continue growth and sustainability of project

FRONT DESK ATTENDANT

OCT 2012 - SEPT 2013

HIV/AIDS SUPPORT NETWORK, SAN LUIS OBISPO CA

- ✓ Managed the office's front desk during weekly shifts at this non-profit
- ✓ Directed clients to services and staff in-person and on the phone
- ✓ Assisted with community outreach and fundraising events

YOUTH COUNSELING & EDUCATION

JUVENILE COUNSELOR

REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION, DSHS, WA

Counseled incarcerated youth in groups and individually from June 2013 - Present in this state detention and treatment center. Helped with diversity groups to help with cultural competency across campus.

ENGLISH TEACHER

UPWARD BOUND SUMMER PROGRAM, SAN LUIS OBISPO, CA

Interned with a readiness program for first-generation college-bound youth from June 2012 - Aug 2012 and June 2013 to Aug 2013, first as Teaching Assistant and then as Instructor of English. Created lesson plans, assessments, projects.

MENTOR

BAKARI MENTORING PROGRAM, SAN LUIS OBISPO,

CA

Mentored at-risk youth in this legal diversion program from Oct 2011 – June 2012. Planned and promoted social and fundraising events for the program and assisted youth with job application.

EDUCATION

WEB MANAGEMENT AND SPANISH

SEPTEMBER 2015 –

PRESENT SEATTLE CENTRAL COLLEGE, SEATTLE, WA

Ongoing coursework completion to improve professional skills in technology and language.

BACHELOR OF ARTS, ENGLISH

SEPTEMBER 2009 – JUNE

2013 CALIFORNIA POLYTECHNIC STATE UNIVERSITY, SAN LUIS OBISPO, CA

B.A. in English completed with significant coursework completed in Teaching and Psychology. Leadership role in the Funds Allocation Committee for English Department.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

ACADEMY GRADUATE

REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION, DSHS, BURIEN,

WA

Rite of passage representing over one year of state service for Dept of Social & Health Services. Included two-week training focused on group presentations, team-work and concise writing. March 2014

LGBTQ PRIDE SCHOLAR

PRIDE FOUNDATION, SEATTLE,

WA

Equal Opportunity and Access Scholarship awarded in Fall 2015 to continue my education. Scholarship awarded for overcoming adversity and advocating for the LGBTQ community.

POETRY PUBLISHED

BLAZEVOX JOURNAL OF VOICE

Selection of my original poetry was published in Fall 2014 issue. Viewable online at BlazeVox.org. Northwest LGBTQ community. Scholarship awarded for overcoming adversity and advocating for LGBTQ rights.

Seattle Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender Commission

JUNE 2016

16 members: Per SMC 3.14.920, all subject to City Council confirmation, 2 –years for each term:

- 7 City Council-appointed
- 7 Mayor-appointed
- 1 Commission appointed
- 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
3	M	1.	Member	Ray Corona	Confirmation	4/30/18	1 st	Mayor
		2.	Member	Vacant		4/30/17		Mayor
2	F	3.	Member	Dominique Stephens	Confirmation	4/30/18	1 st	Mayor
5	F	4.	Member	Luzviminda Uzuri “Lulu” Carpenter	05/01/15	4/30/17	2 nd	Mayor
3	M	5.	Member	Freddy Mora	Confirmation	4/30/17	1 st	Mayor
3	M	6.	Member	Manuel Venegas	06/08/15	4/30/17	1 st	Mayor
		7.	Member	Vacant		4/30/17		Mayor
9	NB	8.	Member	Yani Robinson	Confirmation	4/30/17	1 st	City Council
6	F	9.	Member	Debra Salls	12/14/15	4/30/17	1 st	City Council
6	F	10.	Member	Julia Ricciardi	Confirmation	04/30/17	1 st	City Council
6	M	11.	Member	Nicholas Oakley	Confirmation	4/30/17	1 st	City Council
		12.	Member	Vacant		4/30/18		City Council
2	GF	13.	Member	The Lady B	Confirmation	4/30/18	1 st	City Council
9	NB	14.	Member	Blaine Manuel	Confirmation	4/30/18	1 st	City Council
6	M	15.	Member	Anders McConachie	Confirmation	4/30/17	1 st	Commission
6	M	16.	Member	Elijah Grossman	09/08/15	09/30/16	1 term	Get Engaged

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	3	2	2	5	0	1	3	0	1	0	0	0	0
Council	1	2	1	3	0	1	0	0	0	3	0	0	2
Comm	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
GE	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
total	7	4	3	8	0	2	3	0	1	5	0	0	2

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*