




City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

Appointee Name: <i>Sarah Liu</i>		
Board/Commission Name: <i>Seattle Women's Commission</i>		Position Title: <i>Get Engaged Member</i>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Appointment OR <input type="checkbox"/> Reappointment	City Council Confirmation required? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Appointing Authority: <input type="checkbox"/> City Council <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mayor <input type="checkbox"/> Other:	Term of Position: * 9/1/2021 to 8/31/2022 <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Serving remaining term of a vacant position</i>	
Residential Neighborhood: <i>Capitol Hill</i>	Zip Code: <i>98112</i>	Contact Phone No.: <i>Business phone# - NOT personal phone #</i>
Background: Sarah Liu (she/her) is a software engineer at Microsoft where she focuses on creating a more user-friendly and accessible search engine. Her drive to empower a diversity of people through better experiences has guided her through her educational and professional journey. She graduated from the University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign (UIUC) with a degree in Computer Engineering in 2019 and during her time there, she served as the Vice President of Women in ECE where she co-founded an annual diversity summit, created a scholarship program, and led other initiatives to support women and underrepresented groups in tech. Since coming to Seattle, she has served on the Alumni Board for the female-focused organization Rewriting the Code and, most recently, has been leading projects to increase transparency in local government action at the Seattle-based civic tech organization Council Data Project. She is honored to serve as a commissioner on the Seattle Women's Commission and is looking forward to using her voice to help create a more equitable future.		
Authorizing Signature (original signature):  Date Signed (appointed): 3/7/2022	Appointing Signatory: <i>Bruce A. Harrell</i> <i>Mayor of Seattle</i>	

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

Sarah Liu

Work Experience

Software Engineer, Microsoft (September 2019 - present)

- Improving and creating Bing web features for a more accessible and user-friendly search engine
- Helping Bing users feel heard by leading the Bing Feedback team to create an automated user feedback tracking system to help teams act on user feedback; involved defining features, coordinating a pilot program, and creating metric reports
- Shipped a modern carousel redesign which won against Google in judge comparisons by 20+ points and worked across teams to implement the design across Bing
- Analyzed user data to drive our initiative to optimize the Bing layout for different screen sizes which has increased answer engagement by 8%

Software Engineering Intern, Microsoft (Summer 2018)

- Improved the classification accuracy of title nodes from ~70% to ~95% through creating an internal machine learning web tool for Bing web results

Software Engineering Intern, CME Group (Spring and Summer 2017)

- Developed and designed an internal trading dashboard to oversee daily trading-related operations and analyze customer behaviors for our market analysts
- Created an Alexa skill to provide customers with relevant bitcoin market data

Student Intern, CME Group (Summer 2016)

- Implemented test cases and automated testing for a fault tolerance system using Bash

Leadership and Volunteer Experience

Product Manager, FightPandemics (February 2021-May 2021)

- Drove feature creation for a platform to connect people with resources in their local communities
- Led engineers and designers to ship a user profile redesign for better information structuring and easier profile feature creation
- Worked across teams to ship a feature for displaying the user's organization membership

Seattle At Large Representative, Rewriting the Code Alumni Board (2019-2020)

- Coordinated Seattle RTC alumni social events and mentored undergrad females in tech

Professional Development Vice President, Women in ECE (2015-2019)

- Led the creation of my university's first annual Women in Tech day which was attended by 100+ people and included talks, networking events, and workshops
- Helped increase our active membership by 100% through creating new initiatives such as scholarship programs, alumni events, grad school panels, etc and managing our directors

Education

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Urbana-Champaign, IL
Bachelor of Science in Computer Engineering May 2019

Honors: Donald L. Bitzer and H. Gene Slottow Creativity Award, Illinois Engineering Achievement Scholarship, Best Design Award in Research Park Web App Competition, Rewriting the Code Fellow

Seattle Women's Commission February 2022

21 Members: Pursuant to [SMC 3.14.920](#), all members subject to City Council confirmation, 2-year terms:

- 8 City Council-appointed
- 9 Mayor-appointed -plus one Get Engaged.
- 4 Other Appointing Authority-appointed: Commission-appointed

*D	**G	RD	Position No.	Position Title	Name	Term Begin Date	Term End Date	Term #	Appointed By
2			1.	Member	Marcia Wright-Soika	7/02/21	7/01/23	2	Mayor
			2.	Member	Abriel Johnny	7/02/20	7/01/22	1	Mayor
			3.	Member	VACANT	7/02/21	7/01/23	1	Mayor
			4.	Member	VACANT	7/02/20	7/01/22	1	Mayor
			5.	Member	VACANT	7/02/19	7/01/21	1	Mayor
6			6.	Member	Jennifer Gordon	7/02/21	7/01/23	2	Mayor
6			7.	Member	Rebecca Bryant	7/02/20	7/01/22	1	Mayor
1	F	7	8.	Member	Diya Khanna	7/02/20	7/01/22	2	Commission
6	F	4	9.	Member	Zoe True	7/02/21	7/01/23	3	Mayor
9			10.	Member	Kyla Evans	7/02/20	7/01/22	1	City Council
1	F	3	11.	Member	K. Min Pease	7/02/21	7/01/23	3	City Council
2	F	N/A	12.	Member	Jamilah Williams	7/02/21	7/01/23	3	City Council
2			13.	Member	Vinati Mamidala	7/01/20	7/02/22	1	City Council
2	F	1	14.	Member	Tana Yasu	7/02/20	7/01/22	2	City Council
			15.	Member	VACANT	7/02/21	7/01/23	1	City Council
6			16.	Member	Jema Turk	7/02/21	7/01/23	1	City Council
6			17.	Member	Rachel Morowitz	7/02/20	7/01/22	1	Commission
6			18.	Member	Morgan Cain	7/02/20	7/01/22	1	City Council
1	F	-	19.	Member	Whitney Nakamura	7/02/20	7/01/22	2	Commission
6			20.	Member	Ophelia Parker	7/02/21	7/01/23	1	Commission
			21.	Get Engaged	Sarah Liu	9/01/21	8/31/22	1	Mayor

SELF-IDENTIFIED DIVERSITY CHART

(1) (2) (3) (4) (5) (6) (7) (8) (9)

	Men	Women	Transgender	Unknown	Asian	Black/ African American	Hispanic/ Latino	American Indian/ Alaska Native	Other	Caucasian/ Non- Hispanic	Pacific Islander	Middle Eastern	Multiracial
Mayor	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Council	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Comm	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Key:

- *D List the corresponding *Diversity Chart* number (1 through 9)
- **G List *gender*, M = Male, F= Female, T= Transgender, U= Unknown
- RD Residential Council District number 1 through 7 or N/A

Diversity information is self-identified and is voluntary.