



## City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

<b>Appointee Name:</b> <i>Jack Nash</i>		
<b>Board/Commission Name:</b> <i>Seattle Arts Commission</i>		<b>Position Title:</b> <i>Get Engaged Member</i>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Appointment</b> OR <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Reappointment</b>		<b>City Council Confirmation required?</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>Appointing Authority:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> City Council <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mayor <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <i>Fill in appointing authority</i>		<b>Term of Position: *</b> 9/1/2025 to 8/31/2026  <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Serving remaining term of a vacant position</i>
<b>Residential Neighborhood:</b> <i>Ravenna</i>	<b>Zip Code:</b> <i>98115</i>	<b>Contact Phone No.:</b> <i>N/A</i>
<b>Background:</b> <i>Jack is a software engineer at Microsoft living in Ravenna. While studying computer science at Cornell University, he performed in and led an improv comedy troupe. In addition to performing arts, he is passionate about public art which he sees as essential to creating a vibrant city that reflects its residents. He looks forward to applying his analytical skills to solve the unique challenges as Seattle prepares for the World Cup next summer – a great opportunity to activate our city and showcase our creativity. His goal on the commission is to advance community-driven artwork that makes city living richer and more inspiring.</i>		
<b>Authorizing Signature (original signature):</b>  <b>Date Signed (appointed):</b>  July 18th, 2025		<b>Appointing Signatory:</b> <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.*

# JACK NASH

## WORK EXPERIENCE

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**Microsoft**, Redmond, WA

*August 2022 – Present*

*Software Engineer (L60; promoted from L59 in May 2023)*

- Key contributor in developing a localization management tool for internal and external software and documentation handling hundreds of thousands of files a day
- Built tool to generate captions from videos via AI, translate them, then generate synthetic audio of the localized text, automating hours of manual labor and increasing accessibility of Azure training content
- Led knowledge sharing sessions to upskill coworkers and improve teamwide engineering excellence
- Participated in regular on-call rotation. Fixed multiple major bugs including a key security vulnerability

**MongoDB**, San Francisco, CA

*June 2021 – August 2021*

*Software Engineer Intern*

- Designed and built a command line interface tool allowing natural text search queries to be run locally over individual files. Prior, queries were limited to cloud databases and this tool was the team's most requested feature.
- Developed infrastructure for a tool to give live feedback when defining how to split text into tokens.

**ShareThis**, Palo Alto, CA

*June 2020 – August 2020*

*Software Engineer Intern*

- Improved traditional methods to create higher-quality customer segments by using machine learning to generate embeddings for websites and users.
- Built a Python program to classify site-types using previously generated website embeddings more effectively and accurately.
- Optimized performance to speed up embedding generation time by 300% as well as reduce storage size by 73%.

## EDUCATION

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**Cornell University, College of Engineering**, Ithaca, NY

*May 2022*

Bachelor of Science, Computer Science

Cumulative GPA: 4.0, Dean's List Fall 2018 – Spring 2022, *Summa cum laude*

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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**Cornell Machine Learning Group**, Ithaca, NY

*August 2019 – October 2021*

*Undergraduate Researcher*

- Assisted in a research lab studying datacenter communication protocols. Previous work studied the optimization of large-scale machine learning systems and proving a parallelization strategy's efficiency given an optimization algorithm.

## RELEVANT PERSONAL PROJECTS

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### QR Code Generator

- Built program in Java from scratch to encode alphanumeric messages of scalable complexity along with error correction and alignment symbols to account for scanner orientation

### Fast Neural Style Transfer

- Implemented current research on training a neural network to quickly render images and GIFs in the style of different images, such as those of famous artists.

## PROGRAMMING LANGUAGES

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- C#, Java, Python, OCaml, C++, Rust, Julia, HTML, CSS

# Seattle Arts Commission Roster

16 Members: Pursuant to ordinance 121006, all members subject to City Council confirmation, 2-year terms (Get-Engaged member serves a 1-year term):

- 7 City Council-appointed
- 7 Mayor-appointed
- 1 Commission-appointed
- 1 Get-Engaged

(Roster as of 6/27/2025)

*D	**G	RD	Position No.	Position Title	Name	Term Begin Date	Term End Date	Term #	Appointed By
2	M	2	1.	At-Large	Ed King	01/01/25	12/31/26	1 <sup>st</sup>	City Council
6	F	7	2.	At-Large	Megan Kiskaddon	01/01/24	12/31/25	1 <sup>st</sup>	City Council
3	F	1	3.	At-Large	Vanessa Villalobos	01/01/25	12/31/26	3 <sup>rd</sup>	City Council
3	F	1	4.	At-Large	Linda Chavez Lowry	01/01/24	12/31/25	1 <sup>st</sup>	City Council
6	M	5	5.	At-Large	Ricky Graboski	01/01/24	12/31/25	2 <sup>nd</sup>	City Council
3	F	6	6.	At-Large	Diana Garcia (Dhyana)	01/01/24	12/31/25	1 <sup>st</sup>	City Council
6	F	5	7.	At-Large	Kate Nagle-Caraluzzo	01/01/25	12/31/26	1 <sup>st</sup>	City Council
4	F	N/A	8.	At-Large	Yolanda Spencer	01/01/24	12/31/25	1 <sup>st</sup>	Commission
3	F	5	9.	At-Large	Leslie Anne Anderson	01/01/24	12/31/25	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Mayor
2 & 9	F	1	10.	At-Large	Avery Barnes	01/01/24	12/31/25	1 <sup>st</sup>	Mayor
6	F	3	11.	At-Large	Kayla DeMonte	01/01/24	12/31/25	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Mayor
			12.	At-Large					Mayor
6	F	2	13.	At-Large	Holly Jacobson	01/01/24	12/31/25	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Mayor
1	F	N/A	14.	At-Large	Yoon Kang-O'Higgins	01/01/24	12/31/25	1 <sup>st</sup>	Mayor
1, 4, & 6	F&O	7	15.	At-Large	Jo Mikesell (pending confirmation)	01/01/25	12/31/26	1 <sup>st</sup>	Mayor
6	M	4	16.	Get-Engaged	Jack Nash	09/01/25	08/31/26	One	Mayor

SELF-IDENTIFIED DIVERSITY CHART

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

	Men	Women	Transgender	Other/ Unknown	Asian	Black/ African America n	Hispanic/ Latino	American Indian/ Alaska Native	Other (Specification Optional)	Caucasian / Non- Hispanic	Pacific Islander	Middle Eastern	Multiracial
Mayor	1	5		1	1		3		2	3			
Council	2	5				1	1			3			
Other		1						1					
Total	3	11		1	1	1	4	1	2	6			

**Key:**

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

**\*\*G** List *gender*, **M** = Male, **F**= Female, **T**= Transgender, **U**= Unknown, **O**= Other

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

*Diversity information is self-identified and is voluntary.*