




# City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

<b>Appointee Name:</b> Calandra Childers		
<b>Board/Commission Name:</b> Climate Pledge Arena Giving Council		<b>Position Title:</b> Member
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Appointment OR <input type="checkbox"/> Reappointment	<b>City Council Confirmation required?</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
<b>Appointing Authority:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City Council <input type="checkbox"/> Mayor <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <i>Fill in appointing authority</i>	<b>Term of Position: *</b> 7/1/2023 to 6/30/2026  <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Serving remaining term of a vacant position</i>	
<b>Residential Neighborhood:</b> Columbia City	<b>Zip Code:</b> 98118	<b>Contact Phone No.:</b> [REDACTED]
<b>Background:</b> Calandra Childers works to champion the cultural sector as a vital pillar of a healthy and vibrant community. She prides herself in operating transparently, promoting racial and social justice, and turning visions into action plans. Through positions with ArtsFund, the City of Seattle’s Office of Arts & Culture, the Seattle Art Museum, the Renton Chamber of Commerce and others, she has more than 15 years’ experience in policy and program development, communications and branding, advocacy, change management, and team development. She holds an English degree from Whitman College and serves on the Boards of Directors for YWCA Seattle King Snohomish, the Rainier Valley Food Bank, and The Key to Change.		
<b>Authorizing Signature (original signature):</b>   <b>Date Signed (appointed):</b> 07/10/2023		<b>Appointing Signatory:</b> Andrew J. Lewis Seattle City Councilmember

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

# Calandra Childers

## Contact



## Leadership

YWCA Seattle/King/Snohomish:  
Board of Directors, Chair;  
Public Policy Committee Chair

Rainier Valley Food Bank:  
Development Committee Chair

Key to Change:  
Board of Directors

## Education

Whitman College  
Walla Walla, WA  
B.A. English

Seattle Mayor's City  
Leadership Academy  
November 2016

Equity Trainings:  
Anti-Racism for Leaders,  
White Fragility,  
Race: The Power of an Illusion

## Experience

ArtsFund • *Vice President of Strategic Initiatives*  
*August 2022 – present*

Provide executive leadership and strategic vision for ArtsFund's strategic initiatives, communications, and marketing. Responsible for developing and implementing strategic outreach, programs, policy, partnerships, and media initiatives. Oversee strategic planning and implementation, advocacy/public policy, media relations, and marketing.

Promoting our mission to support the arts through leadership, advocacy, and grantmaking to build a healthy, equitable, and creative Washington.

City of Seattle • Office of Arts & Culture

*June 2015 – July 2022 • Deputy Director*

*January 2021 – September 2021 • Interim Director*

*May 2012 – June 2015 • Communications and Outreach Manager*

- Executive level administrator for Seattle's local arts agency, encompassing policy and programming related to public art, grantmaking, youth arts, facility management and cultural space
- Oversee strategic planning, budgeting and partnership opportunities for team of 40 with annual budget of approximately \$15M
- Grantmaking for cultural organizations, cultural space, youth and educational programming, an individual artist support in the range of \$3-5MM annually.
- Liaison to the Seattle Arts Commission, community advocates appointed by the Mayor and City Council
- In partnership with the Mayor, City Council, and peer department directors, develop policy and programs supporting the cultural sector of the city

*Communications Manager • Seattle Art Museum*

*May 2006 – May 2012*

- Strategized and developed communications plans for exhibitions and special events, including public relations, marketing and events utilizing traditional and new media
- Developed relationships and pitched reporters on museum news and priorities
- Produced all printed materials such as magazines, advertisements, development and education related materials including writing copy, culling photography and managing design, production and distribution

*September 2004 – May 2006*

Communications and Events Director • Renton Chamber of Commerce

- Wrote and managed Chamber communications, including press releases, monthly newsletter, and weekly e-communications
- Produced content for the Chamber website, and managed a website re-design
- Produced annual holiday auction, and monthly networking and educational events

# Climate Pledge Arena Giving Council

11 Members: Pursuant to CB 119345. The Giving Council shall be composed of eleven (11) total voting members and one (1) non-voting member as follows: (a) voting members shall be comprised of:

- 2 members - Appointed by Tenant.
- 1 member - Appointed by the resident NHL team.
- 1 member - Appointed by the resident WNBA team (Seattle Storm).
- 2 members - From local community organizations (with staggered terms to ensure continuity).
- 2 members - Representatives of Seattle Center resident organizations (with staggered terms to ensure continuity).
- 2 at-large members - Approved by City Council.
- 1 at-large member - Mutually appointed by Tenant and the Mayor’s office.
- 1 non-voting member - Appointed by the Seattle Center Director to represent Seattle Center.

## Roster:

*D	**G	RD	Position No.	Position Title	Name	Term Begin Date	Term End Date	Term #	Appointed By
			1.	Member	Morgan Littlefield	2024	2026	1	Tenant
			2.	Member	Hewan Teshome	2024	2025	1	Tenant
			3.	Member	Mari Horita	2024	2026	1	Resident NHL Team
			4.	Member	Crystal Langhorne	2024	2026	1	Resident WNBA team
			5.	Member		2024	2026	1	Local Community Organizations
			6.	Member		2024	2025	1	Local Community Organizations
			7.	Member	Megan Ching	2024	2025	1	Representatives of Seattle Center resident organizations
			8.	Member	Karen Olson	2024	2026	1	Representatives of Seattle Center resident organizations
			9.	Member	Ashraf Hasham	7/1/2023	6/30/2026	1	City Council
			10.	Member	Calandra Childers	7/1/2023	6/30/2026	1	City Council
			11.	Member	Steve Sneed	2024	2026	1	Mayor
			12.	Non-Voting Member	Mark Dederer	2024	2025	1	Seattle Center Director

## 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													
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.*