



City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

Appointee Name: <i>Amelia Ossorio</i>		
Board/Commission Name: <i>Seattle Immigrant and Refugee 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: * 9/1/2023 to 8/31/2024 <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Serving remaining term of a vacant position</i>	
Residential Neighborhood: <i>Lake Kathleen (Renton)</i>	Zip Code: <i>98059</i>	Contact Phone No.: [REDACTED]
Background: <i>Amelia Ossorio is an artist and junior at the University of Washington. She studies Persian in the Middle Eastern Languages and Cultures department at UW, and is a proud recipient of the FLAS language fellowship from the school's South Asia Center. Amelia is involved with several non-profit organizations in Seattle that align with her goals of immigrant-empowerment, which she plans to continue in her work after she graduates in 2025. She has contributed her art to the Seattle African Community Housing and Development organization, where she took notes during monthly meetings for parents in the Highline School District discussing various concerns to report to the school district with a focus on the needs of African and Muslim K-12 students. She also volunteers her time to teach art classes for Peyvand, an organization led by the Iranian American community of Seattle. Amelia's most recent project for Peyvand was illustrating the designs for the King County Library System's celebration of Nowruz, the Iranian new year, in collaboration with Peyvand. On the Seattle Immigrant and Refugee Commission, Amelia hopes to broaden her experience in advocacy and community outreach with a multicultural and arts focus.</i>		
Authorizing Signature (original signature): <i>Bruce A. Harrell</i> Date Signed (appointed): 8/14/2023	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.

Amelia Ossorio

Undergraduate Near East Studies and Art History student at UW Seattle



Work Experience

Renton Municipal Arts Commission, Renton — *Student Commissioner*

JULY 2020 - PRESENT

Government position overlooking the funding and installation of public art and related projects around the city of Renton, Washington.

Peyvand Non-Profit Organization, Seattle — *Student Volunteer*

SEPTEMBER 2022 - PRESENT

Teaches art classes, contributes to social media content and utilizes Persian language skills to volunteer for the Iranian American community of the greater Seattle area.

African Community Housing and Development, SeaTac — *Graphic Organizer*

OCTOBER 2022 - FEBRUARY 2023

Takes notes during monthly meetings for parents in the Highline School District discussing various concerns to report to the school district with a focus on the needs of African immigrant and Muslim families in Seattle.

University of Washington Center for Global Studies, Seattle — *Outreach and Communications*

FEBRUARY 2023 - PRESENT

Assistant to the Managing Director of the UW Center for Global Studies. Creates promotional material, email lists, newsletters, content writing, web development, and portrait photography.

The Daily of the University of Washington, Seattle — *Illustrator*

MARCH 2023 - PRESENT

Illustrates cover designs for the University of Washington's official newspaper and its articles both in newsprint and online.

Education

University of Washington, Seattle — *Bachelor's Degree*

JUNE 2021 - JUNE 2025

Majoring in Near East Studies with a concentration in the Persian language, Art History Minor. Awarded the \$15,000 FLAS fellowship from the UW Jackson School of International Studies' South Asia Center, which acknowledges a student's dedication to foreign language and cultural studies.

Public Artworks

Solo Art Installation, Downtown Renton — *We Are Renton*

NOVEMBER 2021

Selected by the City of Renton to create a public artwork celebrating the languages spoken within the local school district on 2nd and Wells St downtown.

Mural, Bellevue College — *Knowledge is Power*

SEPTEMBER 2022

Created an original design highlighting international students selected by Bellevue College to be turned into a mural on campus.

Languages

Spanish — Intermediate

Persian — Intermediate

Skills

Adobe Creative Cloud Apps

Microsoft Office

Web Design and SEO Marketing

Social Media Content Creation

Mailchimp

Art and photography, videography

Immigrant and Refugee Commission

15 Members: Pursuant to *Ordinances 12822 and 120345 and SMC 3.14.545*, [all] members subject to City Council confirmation, [14 [have 2-year terms, (1) Get Engaged Member has 1 year term:

- 7 City Council-appointed
- 8 Mayor-appointed
- 0 Other Appointing Authority-appointed (specify):

Roster:

*D	**G	RD	Position No.	Position Title	Name	Term Begin Date	Term End Date	Term #	Appointed By
8	F	NA	1.	Member	Gul Siddiqi	2/1/23	1/31/25	1	Council
			2.	Member	Vacant (Ahmad Hilal Abid)	2/1/23	1/31/25	1	Council
			3.	Member	Vacant (Anand Rao)	2/1/23	1/31/25	1	Mayor
			4.	Member	Vacant (Afra Mahmood)	2/1/23	1/31/25	1	Mayor
			5.	Member	Vacant	8/1/2022	7/31/24	1	Council
2	F	NA	6.	Member	Ilays A. Aden	8/1/2022	7/31/24	2	Mayor
			7.	Member	Vacant	8/1/2022	7/31/24	1	Mayor
			8.	Member	Vacant	2/1/2022	1/31/24	1	Council
3	F	5	9.	Member	Maria Jimenez-Zepeda	2/1/2022	1/31/24	3	Council
			10.	Member	Vacant	2/1/23	1/31/25	1	Mayor
2	M	2	11.	Member	Emmanuel G. V. Dolo	2/1/2022	1/31/24	2	Mayor
9	F	3	12.	Member	Heather Yang Hwalek	2/1/23	1/31/25	1	Council
3	F	4	13.	Member	Amanda Sandoval	8/1/2022	7/31/24	2	Mayor
			14.	Member	Vacant	2/1/2022	1/31/24	1	Council
9	F	NA	15.	Get Engaged Member	Amelia Ossorio	9/1/23	8/31/24	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 (Specification Optional)	Caucasian/ Non- Hispanic	Pacific Islander	Middle Eastern	Multiracial
Mayor	1	3				2	1						1
Council		3					1					1	1
Other													
Total	1	6				2	2					1	2

PENDING CONFIRMATION OR RE-APPOINTMENT

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.