

City of Seattle

Notice of Appointment

Name: <div style="text-align: center; font-size: 1.2em;">Sam Orlin</div>		<input type="checkbox"/> Executive Appointment <input type="checkbox"/> Reappointment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Legislative Appointment <input type="checkbox"/> Agency Appointment <input type="checkbox"/> PDA Council <input type="checkbox"/> PDA Constituency
Residential Neighborhood: <div style="text-align: center;">Southwest</div>	Zip Code: <div style="text-align: center;">98116</div>	Contact Phone No.: <div style="text-align: center;">206-233-2656 (Sol)</div>
Appointed to: <div style="text-align: center;">Seattle Youth Commission</div>		Date of Appointment: <div style="text-align: center;">June 24th, 2013</div>
Authority (Ord., Res.): <div style="text-align: center;">CB 116791, SMC 3.67</div>		Term of Office From: Confirmation To: May 31 st , 2014
Background: <div style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">1st year, from Chief Sealth International High School; junior next year.</div>		
Authorizing Signature: 		Name and Title of Officer Making Appointments: <div style="text-align: center;">Councilmember Sally Bagshaw</div>

Sam Orlin

High school: Chief Sealth International High School

Grade next year: Junior

Gender: Male

Will you need any special arrangements to be able to participate in Youth Commission meetings? No.

Please list and describe any groups or organizations that you're currently involved with or that you plan to be involved with next year.

Chief Sealth Mock Trial Team

Chief Sealth Debate Team

Chief Sealth Soccer and Golf Teams

Chief Sealth Jazz Band, and Jazz Combo

Kol Haneshama Youth Group

1. Why do you want to become a member of the Seattle Youth Commission? I want to become a member of the Seattle Youth Commission for many reasons, the most prominent being my desire to be involved in local government. I have strong feelings about some policy topics and would love the opportunity to share them. I also thoroughly enjoy discussions about policy and government, and would enjoy talking to other youth about the issues in local government today.

2. What issues are you passionate about in your community, and why? One of the issues I feel strongly about in my community is public transportation. As someone who has spent the last year and a half living on public transportation, it is an issue that I'm extremely passionate about, and also one that I feel is being poorly dealt with. Having spent a week in Olympia with the Senate Page Program, I have seen how hard it is to confront these issues on the State level, and thus I believe we must deal with them in local government. I am also very passionate about education issues, such as standardized testing and teacher pay and education. Personal experiences with over-testing and teachers with less-than-ideal knowledge of their subject drive this zeal.

3. What are your greatest strengths, and in what areas would you like to improve? I believe my greatest strength is my ability to work well with others. Working on my youth group's board has really helped me grow in this area. Planning events and writing programs are tasks that require multiple people, and finding a common vision or idea with my peers is something I've attained from my experiences. Another strength of mine is my love of intellectual argument. While I enjoy thinking and writing about topics and issues, debate has always been my favorite way to fully examine them. I believe that it is key to explore and consider all points of view before forming a full opinion, and my work with the Mock Trial team has been a fantastic experience that has definitely supplemented my growth here. An area that I still see room for me to grow is my passion for things I'm not "passionate" about, so to speak. For things that interest and entice me, work ethic will never be an issue. However, when I'm not interested or enticed by the subject, I don't always put my full effort in to it. Working on the Seattle Youth Commission would definitely help me to improve my work ethic, no matter the topic.

4. As a Youth Commissioner, you'll spend a lot of time working in groups. What's your most comfortable role in a group? My most comfortable role in a group is the "interpreter". Analyzing and critiquing data comes easily to me, and I work best in this capacity. My accolades in Mock Trial, such as the "Outstanding Attorney" award, help to demonstrate my analytical skills. A major part of being an Attorney for Mock Trial is taking data, interpreting it, and then presenting in a way that favors your client. I have been able to transfer this skill to regular class discussions, like in my Business class, where I've succeeded in analyzing cases for health and auto insurance, as well as applications for home and car loans.

5. As mentioned above, being a Youth Commissioner requires a significant time commitment. Will you be able to attend meetings every Wednesday during the school year from 4-5:30 pm at City Hall (in downtown Seattle)? Yes

Explanation (optional):

Is there anything else you'd like to share?

How did you hear about the Youth Commission? I heard about the Youth Commission on the morning announcements at our school.

Seattle Youth Commission

June 2013

25 members: per CB 116791, SMC 3.67, all subject to City Council confirmation, 1-year terms

- 12 Appointed by City Council
- 13 Appointed by Mayor

D*	G	Name	Appointed	Term Ends	Term #	Position	Appointed By
C	M	Bryce Goldsen	6/24/13	5/31/14	2	East	Mayor
C	F	Cecilia Kalthoff	6/24/13	5/31/14	2	Ballard	Mayor
Af	F	Chaltu Hussein	6/24/13	5/31/14	2	Southeast	Mayor
C	F	Chloe Fasoldt	6/24/13	5/31/14	1	Ballard	Council
O	F	Claire Huebler	6/24/13	5/31/14	1	Northeast	Council
Af	F	Delannah Collins-Wright	6/24/13	5/31/14	2	Southeast	Mayor
H	F	Elaine LaFontaine	6/24/13	5/31/14	1	Northwest	Council
C	M	Greyson Zatzick	6/24/13	5/31/14	1	Central	Mayor
C	F	Hannah Trettenero	6/24/13	5/31/14	2	Northeast	Mayor
C	M	Henry Meyerson	6/24/13	5/31/14	1	Northeast	Mayor
C	F	Isabel Emery	6/24/13	5/31/14	1	Northeast	Mayor
As	F	Lena Tran	6/24/13	5/31/14	1	Greater Duwamish	Council
C	M	Liam Lawrence	6/24/13	5/31/14	1	Northeast	Council
H	F	Lizette Becerra	6/24/13	5/31/14	1	Northwest	Mayor
C	F	Madeline Walsh	6/24/13	5/31/14	1	Northeast	Mayor
Af	F	Marta Deneke	6/24/13	5/31/14	1	Lake Union	Mayor
C	F	Megan Warshaw	6/24/13	5/31/14	3	Delridge	Mayor
C	M	Owain James	6/24/13	5/31/14	1	Queen Anne	Council
C	M	Ryan Lenea	6/24/13	5/31/14	2	North	Mayor
Af	F	Sabrina Mohamed	6/24/13	5/31/14	1	Greater Duwamish	Council

C	M	Sam Orlin	6/24/13	5/31/14	1	Southwest	Council
C	F	Sarah Lober	6/24/13	5/31/14	1	Lake Union	Council
As	F	Seray Savrun	6/24/13	5/31/14	1	Northeast	Council
As	M	Vincent Tsan	6/24/13	5/31/14	1	Southeast	Council
C	M	Waylon Robert	6/24/13	5/31/14	1	Ballard	Council

***Diversity**

					(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
	Men	Women	Vacant	Minority	Asian-American	African-American	Hispanic Latin@	Native-American	Other**	Caucasian
Mayor	4	9	0	4	0	3	1	0	0	9
Council	5	7	0	5	3	1	1	0	1	7
Total	9	16	0	9	3	4	1	0	1	16

***Other includes diversity in any of the following: race, gender and/or ability*