



2021-22 New SNA Board Nominee Introductions

Sam Burgess

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Sam Burgess is a Providence transplant who came for culinary school at Johnson & Wales University and stayed for the awesome food and local community. He has worked various aspects of the culinary industry and entrepreneurship but is now looking to get more people involved in local outreach. He has worked for the SNA as a digital outreach consultant since January 2021 but stepped down so he can do more as a board member

Corey Jones

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The Former Executive Director and a Co-Founder of Black Lives Matter RI PAC and New England PAC. Currently a policy advisor for Governor Daniel J. McKee with a focus on equity, justice, and opportunity. He hopes his time on the SNA board will help him elevate his community's concerns at the local level and at the state level.

Lauren Jordan

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Lauren Jordan is a native Bostonian who now lives with her husband and son on the East Side. She has been a fundraising and communication professional for over twenty years and is currently the Advancement Director at Genesis Center in Providence.

Emily Kloeblen

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Emily Kloeblen moved to Rhode Island 6 years ago while working for CVSHealth in their Woonsocket, RI, corporate office. She quickly fell in love with the Creative Capital of the Ocean State and decided to make it home. She enjoys working on her garden and restoration projects in her historic home. She joined SNA earlier this year with the goal of becoming more engaged in community building activity. Since joining, she has enjoyed participating in the volunteer opportunities compiled by Sherry with the Mt Hope Community Center, such as delivering groceries to neighbors in need and volunteering at vaccination clinics. She looks forward to serving as a liaison with Summit Community Garden and other SNA Board initiatives. Emily has almost 20 years experience working across diverse sectors of the healthcare industry, most recently with Haven - the Amazon, Berkshire Hathaway, JPMorgan Chase joint venture. She holds a Masters of Business Administration with Distinction from Harvard Business School and an undergraduate degree in Biomedical Engineering from Duke University.

Ethan Kyzivat

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Ethan Kyzivat [KIZZ-uh-vat] hails from Simsbury, CT. He has lived in Providence for 4 years since starting his PhD in earth science at Brown. He has biked through 31 of Rhode Island's 38 municipalities, as well as every pothole on Brown and Camp Streets. He is looking forward to his first season with a plot in the Brown St. community garden.

Nanako Tamaru

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Nanako Tamaru has lived in the Summit Neighborhood since 2016. In her professional capacity, Nanako works in the field of international peacebuilding and works closely with women leaders around the world seeking to build and sustain peace in their communities. But, after years of traveling internationally, Nanako is seeking ways to engage and strengthen her own local ties. In addition to SNA, Nanako is a member of the Policy and Advocacy Committee at the Women's Fund for Rhode Island and served as a volunteer legal adviser at Dorcas International.

Kathleen Wainwright

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Kathleen Wainwright lives on Aldrich Terrace, just a few blocks from Hope Street. She has lived here for two years and was thrilled when she found a house near Hope Street, one of her favorite places. Kathleen has worked in the nonprofit land conservation sector for over twenty years beginning in Pennsylvania and spending the bulk of her career with The Nature Conservancy of Rhode Island on the East Side. She lives with her husband Kevin Essington and are both avid soccer fans.