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### Nina Simone

She came to be known as the 'High Priestess of Soul.' Nina Simone's music career spanned 40 years and 40 albums. Born Eunice Kathleen Waymon in 1933, she began playing the piano by ear at age 3. Considered a child prodigy, she studied classical music privately and played piano for the church. She graduated valedictorian of her high school class and attended Julliard School of Music in NYC on scholarship for one year. Deciding to perform professionally in 1954, Waymon changed her name to Nina Simone and met commercial success with her first hit in 1959.

The artist didn't chart many hit records, but consistently sold out shows. Simone's music was a mix of jazz, blues and folk; concertgoers were mesmerized by her gritty, intense and powerful delivery. She earned the title 'Singer of the Black Revolution' during the 60s for her many protest songs and socially conscientious repertoire but also charted iconic hits such as *Feelin Good* and *Don't Let Me be Misunderstood*. Another of her biggest singles, *Ain't Got No – I Got Life* featured in the rock musical *Hair*, became a surprise hit. She performed *Young, Gifted and Black* on the PBS children's show *Sesame Street* during the early 70's but music began to change and Simone's popularity began to decline. Additionally, she tired of the division and oppression in America and moved abroad settling in France. Although she continued to perform, Simone began showing signs of a bi-polar disorder.

During the 80s, her music met renewed interest when featured on several commercials. Simone passed away in 2003 at age 70 after battling breast cancer. She was inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in 2017.

**Sources:** Biography.com; Blackpast.org; The NewYorker.com; NinaSimone.org; NPR.org; Wikipedia.com

## Volunteer Independent Investigations Team Member Needed

The City of Tacoma is seeking members of the Tacoma community willing to serve as Community Representatives on the newly formed Independent Investigation Team (IIT) on behalf of the Tacoma Police Department.

The IIT was formed in response to the passage of Washington State Initiative 940 in 2018 and Senate House Bill 1064 in 2019 requiring independent investigations into incidents where the use of deadly force by a peace officer results in death, substantial bodily harm, or great bodily harm. These investigations are completed in the same manner as a criminal investigation and state law requires them to be conducted outside of the involved agency.

View the full announcement and apply on the City of Tacoma's job website, [governmentjobs.com](http://governmentjobs.com). For questions, contact Human Resources at 253- 591- 5400. Please submit your application by August 31, 2020



Business owners are invited to participate in the upcoming 2020 nationally renowned small business training – the Strategic Partnership Program. This eight month executive MBS-style program is designed to enhance the capabilities of local, small, minority, woman-owned and/or disadvantaged businesses in the construction industry. An interactive format and a focus on providing core construction management and business skills to participants, courses are taught by Clark, Clark/Lewis and local industry experts and includes classroom learning, team projects and presentations by the trainees. This training is free of charge to small, minority, woman-owned and disadvantaged businesses.

Orientation begins in September, concluding with graduation in May 2021. For more information and to apply visit <https://www.clarkconstruction.com/spp>. Please select the Seattle, Washington location after you click on the online application. Submit the application by **August 21, 2020**. All classes will be virtual/online and for questions, contact Marivic Chennault at [marivic.chennault@clarkconstruction.com](mailto:marivic.chennault@clarkconstruction.com).

Please share this information with other small businesses.



## **Facebook University for Engineering Informational Webinar August 26, 2020**

**Facebook University (FBU) Gear Up is an internship program for high school seniors & college freshman from, but not limited to Latinx, Black, and Native backgrounds. A two-part informational webinar is scheduled for 12 p.m. Wednesday, August 26, 2020. Register at [facebookgearup.splashthat.com](https://facebookgearup.splashthat.com)**

**This webinar is intended to help underrepresented communities prepare for college readiness, understand technical/engineering internship roles at Facebook, and ultimately apply for Facebook's Summer 2021 internships.**

### **About Facebook University:**

**Facebook offers a hands-on, immersive internship program in five program areas: engineering, analytics, product design, operations, and sales and advertising. Internships are free - travel, housing and all meals are paid for by Facebook. Many do not apply assuming there will be costs they or their parents will have to incur.**

**Some internships will be based in Seattle.  
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Mona Terry-Harp, Lesa Terry-Violin, Munyungo Jackson-Percussion, Karen Briggs-Violin  
Kelle J. Brown-Griot, Josephine Howell-Vocals, Evan Flory-Barnes-Bass, AJ Fanning-Cello  
Lanny Hartley-Piano, Reginald Goodjoin-Bass, Otieno Terry-Vocals  
Nyla Goodjoin-Vocals, Brooklyn Briggs-Vocals, Keon Price-Dancer

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# Addressing Bias in Contracting

**Tuesday, September 8, 2020 • 1:00 - 3:00 pm**

Are you a woman and minority-owned business (WMBE) who has faced bias when pursuing public contracts? Do you have a story to share about how to successfully compete against larger and more prominent white-led firms? Are you a public agency professional with tips for how WMBE firms can better position themselves and secure government contracts?

Join us in this panel discussion on how to collectively address bias in public contracting. Panelists include representatives from King County, the City of Seattle, ECOSS, Green Shoots Consulting, A & D Quality Construction & Collette Collins Design.

**REGISTER AT** <https://bit.ly/3afcvBz>

## **ALMA VILLEGAS - MODERATOR**

A seasoned racial equity advisor and multicultural engagement professional, Alma's areas of expertise include organizational assessment and development, one-on-one coaching and group facilitation, and strategic planning with a social justice lens.

Questions? Please email [nwsbtrc@EconomicAllianceSC.org](mailto:nwsbtrc@EconomicAllianceSC.org)



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