

The Houston Jaycees Present the 2009 Five Outstanding Young Houstonians

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Shannon Buggs

Shannon is a native Houstonian who is the Financial Writer for the Houston Chronicle. She is an inspiration and guiding light to young journalists. Shannon sits on numerous board and committees including Writers in Schools, Voices Breaking Boundaries, and Friends of Women's Studies. She is also the founder and development officer of Meta-Four Houston, a spoken-word poetry nonprofit organization.



Beto Cardenas

Alberto (Beto) is an attorney at Vinson & Elkins, LLP. Beto focuses his practice on legislative matters at a state and federal level and serves as Executive Counsel to Americans for Immigration Reform, an effort initiated by the Greater Houston Partnership. Most recently Beto served as general counsel to the senior U.S. Senator from Texas, the Honorable Kay Bailey Hutchison.



Sean Carter

Sean works professionally in the field of nonprofit fundraising, and devotes time to mentoring new development professionals as well as speaking on various aspects of fundraising. He serves on the Houston Chapter Board of Directors for the Association of Fundraising Professionals (AFP), chairing the "Ask the Experts" 2010 Conference. Sean is President of the Greater Houston GLBT Chamber of Commerce and is organizing the first Leadership Montrose Class, training leaders within the GLBT Community.



Loren Jackson

Loren Jackson was elected Harris County District Clerk on November 4, 2008 to an unexpired term and became District Clerk upon taking the Oath of Office on November 18, 2008. Loren is also on the Board of Directors for the Downtown Houston YMCA. He has been a member of the Minority Opportunities in the Legal Profession and the Habitat for Humanity Committees with the Houston Bar Association.



Norman Nolasco

Norman is the founder and CEO of Advarion, Inc. Throughout his career Norman has donated his time, services, and experience to multiple nonprofits, charities, and political campaigns from both parties. He currently serves on the Board of Directors of the Galleria Chamber of Commerce and the Fire Fighters Foundation of Houston. He also serves on the Advisory Committee for Yates High School of Communications.

