

2026 Future Forum: The Future of Black Women in Technology & AI

Presented by S.E.A.T. — Sisters Elevating Access to Tables



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9:30 AM — 4:00 PM
Gravitas · 435 N. Camden Drive
Beverly Hills, California



Welcome to the Future Forum



Jasmine Taylor

Founder & President, S.E.A.T. · Event Host

Dear Future Forum Guests,

On behalf of S.E.A.T. — Sisters Elevating Access to Tables — welcome to the 2026 Future Forum: The Future of Black Women in Technology & AI. Thank you for choosing to be part of a conversation that matters to our careers, our communities, and the next generation.

Today is an opportunity to learn about the newest innovations and what is still to come, ask thoughtful questions, and connect with the people shaping change. From energy and equity to health, creativity, and innovation, we will explore where technology is taking us and how Black women can help determine that direction.

Our purpose extends beyond representation. We want Black women to have access to the information, relationships, and opportunities needed to influence how technology is designed, governed, and used. All are welcome at this table, and every perspective can strengthen the conversation.

I invite you to engage fully, introduce yourself to someone new, and leave with an idea or connection you can put into action. Thank you to our speakers, moderators, partners, and the S.E.A.T. community for making this gathering possible.

With gratitude,

Jasmine Taylor

Founder & President, S.E.A.T. · Event Host

Thank you for taking your seat



Marisa Hall, MBA

Vice President, S.E.A.T. · Event Chair

Dear Guests and Partners,

Thank you for joining the 2026 Future Forum. As Vice President of S.E.A.T. and Event Chair, I am grateful to everyone who has contributed their time, insight, and support to bring this day together.

To our speakers and moderators: thank you for sharing your expertise and creating space for honest, forward-looking discussion. To our sponsors and community partners: thank you for helping expand access to the conversations and opportunities that shape our future.

We extend our appreciation to Gravitas for welcoming us, to Raw Files Productions, our exclusive media partner, and to Supervisor Holly Mitchell for joining us and delivering opening remarks.

To our members, volunteers, and guests: your presence makes this gathering meaningful. The relationships we build and the questions we raise today can carry far beyond this room. I hope you leave informed, inspired, and ready to continue the conversation.

Thank you for taking your seat and helping create room for others.

With appreciation,

Marisa Hall, MBA

Vice President, S.E.A.T. · Event Chair

Guiding the conversation.



MISTRESS OF CEREMONIES

Kiesha Nix

CEO, Nix Impact Consulting
S.E.A.T. Charter Member

Kiesha Nix, CEO of Nix Impact Consulting and S.E.A.T. Charter Member, serves as Mistress of Ceremonies for the 2026 Future Forum, guiding the day's conversations and introducing the voices shaping our collective future.

2026 Future Forum: The Future of Black Women in Technology & AI

A day of ideas, insight, and connection.

The Forum at a Glance

Mistress of Ceremonies · Kiesha Nix

TIME	SESSION	SPEAKER
9:30 – 10:00 AM	Breakfast & Registration	All attendees
10:00 – 10:15 AM	Welcome & S.E.A.T. Introduction	Jasmine Taylor (Host)
10:15 – 10:35 AM	Opening Remarks and Board Installation	Supervisor Holly Mitchell (Speaker)
10:35 – 10:45 AM	Photos & Break	All attendees
10:45 – 11:05 AM	The Future of AI	Dr. Rhianna Rogers (Keynote Speaker)
11:05 – 11:15 AM	Bring Your Questions	Dr. Rhianna Rogers (Keynote Speaker)
11:15 – 11:35 AM	Why Black Women Need to Be at the Tech Table	Dr. Ayanna Davis (Speaker) LaVada English, MBA (Speaker) Corbrina Rollins (Speaker) Dr. Breann Branch (Speaker) Jasmine Taylor (Moderator)
11:35 – 11:45 AM	Bring Your Questions	Dr. Ayanna Davis (Speaker) LaVada English, MBA (Speaker) Corbrina Rollins (Speaker) Dr. Breann Branch (Speaker) Jasmine Taylor (Moderator)
11:45 AM – 12:00 PM	Headshots in an AI World: Be Unmistakably You	Isaiah Mays (Speaker)
12:00 – 12:45 PM	Lunch	All attendees
1:00 – 1:25 PM	Session 01 · AI + Energy & Equity: Building Sustainable Communities for the Next Generation	Marissa Bowman (Moderator)
1:25 – 1:50 PM	Session 02 · Humans vs AI	Dr. Daisy Camacho-Thompson (Speaker) Dr. Gloria Chance (Speaker) Dr. Nicole Butts (Moderator)
1:50 – 2:10 PM	Future Labs Break	All attendees
2:10 – 2:35 PM	Session 03 · AI + Health & Wellness	Tiera Tanksley (Speaker) Dr. Jasmine Smith (Speaker) Marisa Hall, MBA (Moderator)
2:35 – 3:00 PM	Session 04 · AI + Innovation: Turning Possibility into Progress	Jen García (Speaker) Corbrina Rollins (Moderator)
3:00 – 4:00 PM	Meet & Greet & Networking Mixer	All attendees

Complimentary headshots during breaks · First come, first serve. Space is limited.

Breakfast & Registration

9:30 — 10:00 AM

Arrive, connect, and get acquainted with fellow attendees. Breakfast, registration, networking, vendor engagement, and sponsor experiences.

Welcome & S.E.A.T. Introduction

10:00 — 10:15 AM

Jasmine Taylor welcomes guests to S.E.A.T. — Sisters Elevating Access to Tables — and frames the day's purpose: learning about the newest innovations and what is still to come. This opening connects the Forum's technology conversations to leadership, access, influence, and the opportunities Black women can help shape. All are welcome at this table.



HOST

Jasmine Taylor

Jasmine Taylor is Founder and President of S.E.A.T., a leadership community expanding access, influence, opportunity, and power for Black women CEOs and C-suite leaders across industries and sectors.

A strategist, executive leader, and passionate advocate for women at decision-making tables, Taylor has built S.E.A.T. around a simple but consequential premise: representation is only the beginning. Access to the table must be accompanied by the relationships, information, resources, confidence, and influence to help shape what happens there.

Through S.E.A.T., Taylor brings together Black women leaders across business, technology, government, finance, education, entrepreneurship, entertainment, and the nonprofit and civic sectors to build relationships, exchange intelligence, and create opportunities that extend beyond the room.

She is also the architect of the S.E.A.T. Future Forum, the organization's annual executive convening focused on the issues that will define the future of Black women and girls. Each year, the Forum brings together executives, entrepreneurs, scholars, creatives, elected officials, philanthropists, and civic leaders around one transformational question with the potential to shape the next decade of opportunity.

The 2026 Future Forum, The Future of Black Women in AI & Technology, reflects Taylor's conviction that Black women must be present not only where technology is discussed, but where it is designed, funded, governed, deployed, and owned.

Opening Remarks and Board Installation

10:15 – 10:35 AM

Supervisor Holly Mitchell delivers opening remarks, followed by the S.E.A.T. Board Installation. We recognize our Founding Chairwomen, honor the wisdom and leadership of our Legacy Council, and celebrate the Charter Members who believed in the movement from the beginning.



SPEAKER

Supervisor Holly Mitchell

Holly J. Mitchell serves on the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, representing the Second District. Her leadership centers equity, community wellbeing, and access to opportunity.

A MESSAGE FROM SUPERVISOR HOLLY J. MITCHELL

The State of Black Los Angeles County report gave us a clear picture of where Black residents stand across education, economic opportunity, health, housing, and justice, and it reminded us that data alone does not close gaps. People do. As artificial intelligence reshapes how decisions are made about who is hired, who receives care, and who has access to opportunity, Black women must be at the table where these systems are designed and governed.

To the Founders, Legacy Council, and Charter Members of S.E.A.T.: thank you for building that table. In just four months you have created a movement that turns insight into access and access into leadership. I am proud to stand with you as you install your Board and open this next chapter for the women of Los Angeles County.

Supervisor Holly J. Mitchell

Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors · Second District



HOLLY J. MITCHELL
LOS ANGELES COUNTY SUPERVISOR ♦ 2ND DISTRICT

PHOTOS & BREAK · 10:35 – 10:45 AM

Leaders join Supervisor Mitchell at the back of the room for photos. Guests take a brief break while the stage is reset; the keynote begins at 10:45 AM.

Honoring the women building and strengthening the S.E.A.T. movement.



ONE VISION. 34 FOUNDING WOMEN. A RISING ALLIANCE.

For months, like-minded leaders have been quietly coming together—not for accolades or applause, but joining forces to build a community that simply did not exist for Black women CEOs and C-suite leaders. What began as a vision has grown into an alliance of 50+ executive leaders anchoring our flagship Los Angeles Chapter—with exploratory committees actively planting chapters in Atlanta, New York, Philadelphia, the Bay Area, and Chicago.

Through invitation-only, curated tables, S.E.A.T. creates an intentional space for shared intelligence, executive sisterhood, and enduring impact.

The founding phase is closed. The next chapter begins. Today, we install our Board of Founding Chairwomen, our Legacy Council Advisory Board, and the Charter Members who brought S.E.A.T. to life.

“A seat is a position. An alliance is a legacy.”

— Jasmine Taylor

Founder & President, S.E.A.T. · Event Host

Our Founding Chairwomen

Your names and your leadership are now permanently woven into the story of S.E.A.T.

Marisa Hall, MBA

Vice President & Chairwoman of Strategic Partnerships

Tanya Diggs

Chairwoman of PR & Communications

Kenya Lee

Parliamentarian & Chairwoman of Governance & Public Policy

Tiffany Owens, DNP-NP

Chairwoman of Health & Wellness

Trista Harris

Chairwoman of Strategy

Monalisa Okojie

Chairwoman of Global Initiatives

Stasia Washington

Chairwoman of Capital & Investments

Nicole Buchanan

Chairwoman of Media Productions

Kathryn Shirley

Chairwoman of Finance & Treasury

Rosezetta Upshaw, Esq.

Chairwoman of Marketing & Social Media Management

Starr Thompson, MBA

Chairwoman of Membership & Administration

Dr. Regina Smith

Chairwoman of Higher Education & DEI

Andrea Foggy-Paxton

Chairwoman of Education & Philanthropy

Rebecca Kauma

Chairwoman of Technology & Economic Opportunity

Kaprisha Cressel-Hosey, Esq.

Chairwoman of Law & Advocacy

Samara Ashley, Esq.

Chairwoman of Research, Intelligence & Innovation

Kim Anthony

Chairwoman of Leadership & Development

The Legacy Council

We honor the women who bring decades of wisdom, experience, institutional knowledge, and leadership legacy to this movement. Leadership is not simply about occupying a seat. It is about what we leave behind when we stand up.

Charletta Johnson

Sandra Lord

Velma Marshall

Dr. Deborah Lathan Hayter

Wilma Pinder

Our Charter Members

With gratitude to the women who believed in S.E.A.T. early enough to become Charter Members.

LaVada English

Marjorie Williams, Esq.

Dr. Nicole Johnson

Dr. Jenny Vasquez-Newsum

Kiesha Nix

Corbrina Rollins

Jalonda Watson

Dr. Allissa Richardson

Dr. Nicole Butts

Dr. Diane Manuel

Crystal Yelverton

The Future of AI

10:45 – 11:05 AM

What should Black women understand about AI now, and what should we anticipate next? Dr. Rhianna Rogers examines the forces transforming education, organizations, public policy, and the future of work. The conversation connects emerging technology with responsible governance, community trust, and access to leadership, inviting guests to consider not only how to use AI but how to influence the systems behind it.

11:05 – 11:15 AM · Bring Your Questions



KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Dr. Rhianna Rogers

A nationally recognized scholar, educator, and thought leader bringing a critical perspective to the future of technology, innovation, and the systems shaping our world.

She specializes in translating complex research, regulatory frameworks, and emerging technologies into durable operational strategies. Her work focuses on building scalable, cross-sector partnerships that strengthen organizational performance, workforce effectiveness, and public trust, particularly in advancing access to education and leadership pathways.

Within the UN-affiliated Geneva Forum, she leads the Global Inclusive Education Ecosystem (GIEE), directing an international cohort of experts to engineer a quality-assured “Regulatory Sandbox” that safely integrates generative AI frameworks into educational infrastructure. She also serves as Board Member and Vice Chair of Global Strategy, AI Governance & Institutional Partnerships for the Global Online Education Regulator (GOER), and holds a multi-year appointment on the American Psychological Association Committee on Health Equity (2025–2029).

As Co-Founder and Principal Consultant of Sustainable Progress and Equality Collective (SPEC), she architects community-centered evaluation toolkits and inclusive governance models for NGOs, universities and state organizations around public policy, community engagement, technology, and healthcare ecosystems.

As a Senior Executive Service appointee at the U.S. Department of the Treasury, she held a dual appointment as Counselor to the Assistant Secretary for Management (AI & Data Analytics) and Inaugural Chief DEIA Officer, designing the department’s first enterprise community-engagement framework for over 100,000 personnel. Previously she served as Director of the Center to Advance Racial Equity Policy, Senior Policy Researcher, and Professor of Public Policy at the RAND Corporation, directing multi-million dollar portfolios in education, health, infrastructure, and technology across the US, UK, Europe, and Australia.

Why Black Women Need to Be at the Tech Table

11:15 – 11:35 AM

Being at the tech table means more than representation. It means helping decide how technology is designed, funded, governed, deployed, and owned. Dr. Ayanna Davis, LaVada English, Corbrina Rollins, and Dr. Breann Branch bring perspectives from education and public policy, leadership development, AI workforce transformation, and inclusive innovation. Moderated by Jasmine Taylor, this conversation explores the relationships, skills, confidence, and institutional access needed to turn participation into influence.



SPEAKER

Dr. Ayanna Davis

An educator and policymaker, Dr. Ayanna Davis serves as a Compton Unified School District Board Member and Legislative Representative. She holds a doctorate in Organizational Change and Leadership from USC.



SPEAKER

LaVada English, MBA

An educator, author, and entrepreneur with more than two decades of leadership experience, LaVada founded Bright Places, Inc. and co-founded the National Association of Women in AI (NAWAIQ).



SPEAKER

Corbrina Rollins

Vice President of Client Partnerships at Correlation One, Corbrina has more than 20 years of experience in growth and executive partnerships, with a focus on AI workforce transformation.



SPEAKER

Dr. Breann Branch

An equity practitioner, educator, and innovation researcher advancing inclusive practices, gender equity, and responsible innovation across organizations and communities.

11:35 – 11:45 AM · Bring Your Questions



MODERATOR

Jasmine Taylor

Jasmine Taylor is Founder and President of S.E.A.T., a leadership community expanding access, influence, opportunity, and power for Black women CEOs and C-suite leaders across industries and sectors.

Headshots in an AI World: Be Unmistakably You

11:45 AM – 12:00 PM

Award-winning photographer Isaiah Mays — published in the LA Times, Vogue, Elle, Playboy, Maxim and Esquire — leads a live session on building a professional image that reads as unmistakably you, then stays onsite, set up to capture complimentary headshots for attendees during the breaks.



SPEAKER

Isaiah Mays

Award-winning photographer published in the LA Times, Vogue, Elle, Playboy, Maxim and Esquire. His work celebrates kindness, respect, and beauty.

Please note: Complimentary headshots are offered on a first come, first serve basis. Space is limited.

LUNCH · 12:00 – 12:45 PM

Lunch & Connection

Connect with fellow attendees, sponsors, exhibitors, speakers, and community partners.

The Future Labs

Four afternoon conversations on the technologies reshaping our lives and communities.

Session 01	AI + Energy & Equity: Building Sustainable Communities for the Next Generation	1:00 – 1:25 PM
Session 02	Humans vs AI	1:25 – 1:50 PM
BREAK	Future Labs Break	1:50 – 2:10 PM
Session 03	AI + Health & Wellness	2:10 – 2:35 PM
Session 04	AI + Innovation: Turning Possibility into Progress	2:35 – 3:00 PM

FUTURE LAB 01

AI + Energy & Equity: Building Sustainable Communities for the Next Generation

1:00 – 1:25 PM

As AI expands, so do questions about the energy, water, and infrastructure required to support it. This discussion considers how emerging technology can help communities become more sustainable while asking who benefits, who bears the costs, and whose voices inform decisions. Explore equity-centered approaches to development, responsible innovation, and the long-term wellbeing of the next generation.

Speaker to be confirmed



MODERATOR

Marissa Bowman

Marissa Bowman, MBA, is the Founder and Principal Consultant of Marissa Leanne & Co., bringing more than 15 years of experience in public service, community engagement, and strategic partnerships. She has served the City of Los Angeles as Director of Special Projects and Director of Community Engagement, including work with the Mayor's Office of Community Safety, and previously led housing partnerships at People Assisting The Homeless (PATH). Her work centers equity, accountability, and shared leadership.

FUTURE LAB 02

Humans vs AI

1:25 – 1:50 PM

How is AI changing cognition, creativity, and work—and what should remain distinctly human? Dr. Daisy Camacho-Thompson and Dr. Gloria Chance connect AI adoption and business strategy with psychology, human potential, and creative agency. Moderated by Dr. Nicole Butts, the discussion examines what may be automated, where judgment and trust matter most, and how to adapt as technology changes the work we do.



SPEAKER

Dr. Daisy Camacho-Thompson

An AI researcher and strategist helping organizations turn AI investment into measurable operational, monetization, and revenue impact.



SPEAKER

Dr. Gloria Chance

A global technology and transformation executive whose work bridges Artificial Intelligence and Human Intelligence through Brain Capital, peak performance, and human-centered leadership.



MODERATOR

Dr. Nicole Butts

Dr. Nicole Yeldell Butts is a keynote speaker, host, moderator, and award-winning author, and the CEO of NLYB Solutions, which guides executives and organizations through culture transformation. Over 25 years she has served as a Human Resources Director, Chief Diversity Officer in higher education, and Vice President of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion. She earned her doctorate in Organizational Change and Leadership at the University of Southern California and created the SHIFT Framework™ for leading through change.

FUTURE LABS BREAK · 1:50 – 2:10 PM

Take a 20-minute break, connect with fellow attendees, and visit the headshot station. Health & Wellness begins at 2:10 PM.

FUTURE LAB 03

AI + Health & Wellness

2:10 – 2:35 PM

From personal health information to preventive care and everyday wellbeing, AI is changing how people seek support and make decisions. This conversation explores where these tools may be useful, where human care and judgment remain essential, and how to think critically about privacy, access, and trust. Guests will also take up the national discussion on youth, mental health, and AI — how young people are encountering these tools, what is at stake for their emotional wellbeing, and what parents, educators, and communities can do to guide them. Together, they consider how to engage with AI without losing sight of the people and communities at the center of wellness.



SPEAKER

Tiera Tanksley

A senior researcher advancing equity-centered research on how diverse communities experience new media, digital technology, and artificial intelligence.



SPEAKER

Dr. Jasmine Smith

A leader and social-work practitioner advancing equity, inclusion, and anti-racism across organizations and communities.



MODERATOR

Marisa Hall, MBA

Marisa Hall is a healthcare and pharmaceutical leader with more than 20 years of experience across Fortune 500 biopharmaceutical companies, including GlaxoSmithKline, AbbVie, and Eisai. Today she serves as Senior Clinical Oncology Specialist at Puma Biotechnology, where she was recognized as the #1 Senior Clinical Oncology Specialist in the nation. A graduate of the USC Marshall School of Business Executive MBA program, Marisa is dedicated to equity and access in healthcare and beyond. She is a member of The Links, Incorporated and a graduate of the Los Angeles African American Women's Public Policy Institute, and serves as S.E.A.T. Vice President and Event Chair.

FUTURE LAB 04

AI + Innovation: Turning Possibility into Progress

2:35 – 3:00 PM

What's next in AI, and how can women turn new tools into meaningful innovation? Jen García explores cutting-edge developments, must-know apps for research, ideation, and creation, and the steps between a promising idea and a useful solution. Moderated by Corbrina Rollins, the conversation connects practical AI fluency with inclusive innovation, responsible experimentation, and new opportunities for business and community impact.



SPEAKER

Jen García

An AI fluency educator, keynote speaker, and emerging AI and systems engineer who helps leaders and teams adopt AI in ways that strengthen their people.



MODERATOR

Corbrina Rollins

Vice President of Client Partnerships at Correlation One, Corbrina has more than 20 years of experience in growth and executive partnerships, with a focus on AI workforce transformation.

Meet & Greet & Networking Mixer

3:00 — 4:00 PM

Take the conversation beyond the stage. Connect directly with speakers, panelists, sponsors, vendors, community partners, and fellow participants — turning introductions into relationships and relationships into opportunity.

Continue the conversation.

Meet fellow attendees, visit the author marketplace, and build relationships that extend beyond the Forum.

Meet the Authors

LIVE BOOK SIGNING · DURING BREAKS & THE NETWORKING MIXER

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MEET OUR S.E.A.T. AUTHORS

LEADERS. VISIONARIES. CHANGE MAKERS. STORYTELLERS.

These phenomenal women are using their voices and lived experiences to inspire, equip, and empower the next generation of leaders. We are proud to celebrate their books and the legacy they are building.

TRISTA HARRIS

FUTURE GOOD: HOW TO USE FUTURISM TO SAVE THE WORLD
TRISTA HARRIS

A bold and inspiring guide that shows us how to move beyond fear and uncertainty to design a better tomorrow. Trista empowers readers to reimagine the future and take action today for generational impact.

REIMAGINE. REFRAME. CREATE CHANGE.

JENNY VAZQUEZ-NEWSUM

UNTAPPED LEADERSHIP: HARNESSING THE POWER OF UNDERREPRESENTED LEADERS
JENNY VAZQUEZ-NEWSUM

A powerful call to action that shines a light on the leadership within all of us. Jenny challenges the status quo and equips leaders to break barriers, build inclusive spaces, and lead with courage and authenticity.

AMPLIFY. EMPOWER. LEAD BOLDLY.

At S.E.A.T., we believe our stories matter and our voices create change. Let's support. Let's read. Let's rise—together. ♥

Trista Harris

Future Good: How to Use Futurism to Save the World

A bold and inspiring guide that shows us how to move beyond fear and uncertainty to design a better tomorrow. Trista empowers readers to reimagine the future and take action today for generational impact.

Reimagine. Reframe. Create Change.

Jenny Vazquez-Newsum

Untapped Leadership: Harnessing the Power of Underrepresented Leaders

A powerful call to action that shines a light on the leadership within all of us. Jenny challenges the status quo and equips leaders to break barriers, build inclusive spaces, and lead with courage and authenticity.

Amplify. Empower. Lead Boldly.

Bring your copy or pick one up on site, and have it signed by the authors themselves.

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Thank you to Gravitas for welcoming the S.E.A.T. community to Beverly Hills and providing a place for ideas, leadership, and connection.