



Mentorship & Career Exploration

Say Hello

View the amazing mentors participating in GSGLA's inaugural Mentorship & Career Exploration program! These industry experts will provide Girl Scouts with access and opportunities to discover careers, trades, and interests across industries while networking alongside these innovators, changemakers, and professionals.

Most notably, they will inspire Girl Scouts along their path after high school and help them:

Have **COURAGE** to dream big about their future and feel empowered to shape it.

Feel **CONFIDENT** in the decisions and actions they take—or don't take.

Find **CHARACTER** and discover what kind of leader they can be, no matter their age.

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Meet Our Mentors



Jeannette DePatie *Founder, Propellerhead Inc.*

Jeannette DePatie raised capital for her first software company using PVC pipe, a funnel, a straw, and a rubber chicken before graduating with a degree in opera performance. She has served as a "professional techsplainer" helping nontechnical people understand tech and very technical people learn to speak to those who aren't. She produced, managed, marketed, and created for clients like Apple, AT&T, Disney, Fox, HBO, HP, Intel, Microsoft, Panasonic, Paramount, Sony, Twitter, Universal, and WB. She has appeared with The Wall Street Journal, The New York Times, Dr. Drew, ABC, CBS, and Huffington Post.



Denise Duncan *Head of Program Management, Project Liberty*

Denise Duncan leads program management and operations for Project Liberty and is a key contributor to Frequency and the Decentralized Social Networking Protocol (DSNP). Her work helps put action-guiding principles into process, while driving project strategy and collaboration with cross-functional stakeholders. As an advocate of embedding ethics and values into organizational structure and blockchain-based software design and development, Denise is a speaker on the topic of technology and ethics. She also prides herself on bringing humility and a passion to ethical software design and process.



Tiffany Dyson *Founder, Impact Exponential*

Tiffany Dyson is a graduate of Dartmouth, a financial services professional, and a Girl Scout alumna. During her time in college, she double-majored in Sociology and Hispanic Studies and became a two-time Ivy League Champion with the Varsity Softball team. Since graduating, she has worked for investment management firms for 6 years where she delivers business-building execution and training to financial professionals. Outside of work, she volunteers with organizations as the President of the Dartmouth Club of Los Angeles, a board member for the nonprofit Reading Partners, and a co-leader for Girl Scout Troop 415.



Sandra Klein *U.S. Bankruptcy Judge, U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Central District CA*

Sandra R. Klein is a U.S. Bankruptcy Judge for the Central District of California, U.S. Bankruptcy Court. She is a co-founder and co-leader of a Girl Scout troop for girls experiencing homelessness, and she created and implemented the Girl Scout Justice Patch Program to teach girls about legal history, legislation, and justice. In 2019, Judge Klein received the GSGLA Woman of Distinction Award. She earned her BA in music education, magna cum laude, from the University of Lowell, Lowell, MA; her JD, magna cum laude, from Loyola Law School in LA; and her MBA, with honors, from UCLA's Anderson School of Management.

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Stephanie Ragle *Principal Architect, office42architecture*

Stephanie Ragle is a licensed architect and interior designer and co-founder of office42 architecture in Los Angeles, CA. She has a Bachelor's Degree in Architecture from Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo and a Master's Degree from SCI-Arc. She has studied and lived in Copenhagen, Denmark, Pune, India, and New York City and travels extensively. Stephanie sees architecture as a vehicle for positive change. office42 architecture's mission is to create innovative architecture that inspires and empowers communities through impactful design for residential, commercial, and non-profit clients.



Shequeta Smith *CEO & Founder, Shero Comics*

Shequeta L. Smith is an award-winning writer, director, and creator dedicated to empowering women and girls of color through storytelling and technology. A North Carolina native and NC State graduate, she founded Shero Comics in 2016 to develop original IPs featuring women and girls of color in leading roles across comics, film, and gaming. In 2019, she launched SheroCon, the only all-female comic convention in the U.S., and was selected for Ron Howard and Brian Grazer's Imagine Impact screenwriting incubator. Honors include the 2023 Distinguished Leadership Award and 2025 LA Lakers Woman of Diversity Award.



Olivia Tandowsky *Video Game Producer, Epic Games*

Olivia Tandowsky is a video game producer, working on Fortnite at Epic Games. She is passionate about playing and making video games, and enjoys sharing her journey in the industry. Originally from the Bay Area, Olivia attended UC Berkeley (Class of 2020) and studied Cognitive Science and Design Innovation. Outside of work, she enjoys hiking, listening to music, making pottery, and baking.



Danyell Willard *Founder, LA Hiking Baddies Business Consultant, Global Enterprises, LLC*

Danyell Willard is an entrepreneur and business consultant passionate about scaling ideas into impactful ventures to empower women and inspire connection worldwide. With a background in equity trading, she thrives on process improvement, strategic problem-solving, and creating systems that drive business efficiency and growth. In 2022, she founded LA Hiking Baddies, transforming a small gathering into a thriving women's community of thousands. She holds a B.A. in Business (Entrepreneurship) and an MBA in Finance from California State University, Fullerton.