

## Wendy Hilliard Gymnastics Foundation



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# WHGF Harlem gymnasts spent August at FlipFest and Woodward Gymnastics Camp!



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WHGF founder Wendy Hilliard has been named to Crain's New York Business 2022 Notable Black Leaders!

#### **NOTABLE 2022 WOMEN IN SPORTS**

## TARA GUARNERI-FERRARA

Herrick, Feinstein

As a counsel in the sports law group at Herrick, Guarneri-Ferrara is at the forefront of



complex mergers-and-acquisitions and cross-border transactions. She has represented teams, leagues

owners, investors, financial institutions and service providers in sports, handling commercial agreements, joint ventures, master service joint ventures, master service agreements, acquisitions and sales of sports memorabilia. In a previous role at another law firm, she represented sports-related public company clients in U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission compliance matters. Guarneri-Ferrara, who mentors junior lawyers, has been named a Rising Star by Super Lawyers.

#### MANDY GUTMANN

communications and community

Gutmann is involved with corporate, entertainment,



crisis comm ications at BSE, the parent company of Barclays Center and the Brooklyn Nets. She

oversees media relations for oversees media relations for concerts, college basketball, boxing and other events. As head of community relations, she works on efforts to better the lives of those in the area the lives of those in the area surrounding Barclays Center. She previously held public relations positions at Madison Square Garden. In 2018 Gutmann was named an ambassador by the Stonewall Inn Gives Back Initiative in recognition of her allyship with the LGBTQ community.

#### WENDY HILLIARD

Founder and CEO Wendy Hilliard Gymnastics

Hilliard was the first Black rhythmic gymnast to represent the United States on its national team. Her



eponymous empowers youth from underserved by focusing on physical and

physical and emotional health through gymnastics. She oversees the organization's strategic and financial operations, managing and developing its partnerships and revenue. A four-time U.S. and revenue. A four-time U.s national team coach, she was the first Black president of the Women's Sports Foundation. Hilliard currently sits on the boards of the Armory Foundation, Power Play NYC and Black Women in Sports

## AYESHA HUSAIN

Populous

Husain has more than a decade of experience leading design projects for sports and entertainment facilities,



perform venues and residential and commercial interiors— with a total construction value greater than \$3 billion.

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At design firm Populous' New
York branch, she mentors
staff, manages office initiatives
and collaborates with other
Populous offices on projects. ropulous offices on projects. She was design team leader for TQL Stadium, an arena that opened last year as home to Major League Soccer's FC Cincinnati. She is part of PopTogether, an internal focus group at Populous that addresses diversity and belonging. Husain is a sponsor for SOS Children's Village Pakistan.

#### RACHEL JACOBSON

Drone Racing League

At the DRL, a professional organization with both virtual organization with both virtuand physical competitions, Jacobson spearheads global



partnerships and media rights deals while leading the marketing and business development teams. Working to promote

sport, she has accelerated the DRL's growth through alliances with companies, including a recent title partnership with recent due partnership with blockchain technology platform Algorand. Jacobson, who provides leadership training to future female leaders as a mentor, was named to Sports Business Journal's 40 Under 40

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