

WITT – June 2022 Speaker Bios

Sarah Daley is the Director of End User Services with Bridgestone. She is an agile leader with a demonstrated history of working in fast change and high demand global organizations. She is skilled in agile leadership, change leadership, building high performing empowered teams, and strategy. Sarah is currently serving as Director of Scholarships for Women in Technology of Tennessee.

J.R. Simon is the Head of Private Client Program Management at AllianceBernstein. As a Nashville native, he has held several positions in project management for the last 15 years. He received his bachelors from Auburn University and his MBA from City University of Seattle. His passion for StrengthsFinder helps people dig into their strengths. Outside of work, he spends time working on his house, playing tennis or finding the perfect patio for happy hour.

Devoreaux Walton is a thought leader, speaker, consultant and belonging and inclusion expert. Her passion lies at the intersection of belonging, inclusion, and technology – focused on people first and products second. Devoreaux currently serves as the Diversity and Inclusion Strategy Talent Acquisition Leader at IBM, where she manages a strategy and project priorities to increase underrepresented talent of mid-career professionals in North America. A proud southern belle, she is a Spelman College graduate with a bachelor's degree in Psychology, a Washington University in St. Louis graduate with a master's degree in Business Administration, and she also holds an inclusion and diversity certificate from Yale University. Devoreaux is passionate about empowering professionals to bring humanity to work. She currently resides in Nashville with her Maltipoo daughter, Nyla.

Dana Ward is the VP of Enterprise Governance and Change with Wellpath. She began her career in IT and Management Consulting, and has spent the last 15 years focused on Healthcare Technology and using technology to improve the care experience. Dana is active in the Nashville tech community, serving as the Vice President of Women in Technology of Tennessee and on the Blacks in Tech board. Dana has a passion for mentorship and lifting others up, and uses her influence and position to ensure others have the opportunities and exposure necessary to get ahead.