CHRISTI LAMBERT
THE NATURE CONSERVANCY

Christi Lambert is the marine and freshwater conservation director for The Nature Conservancy (TNC) in Georgia. She is responsible for coastal, marine and Atlantic slope riverine projects. When Christi started with TNC in 1991, she launched the Altamaha River Bioreserve as a national science and community-based landscape-scale watershed initiative. Later, as the Southeast Georgia conservation director, she was responsible for directing conservation activities throughout southeast Georgia vital to achieving conservation success for state and national level priorities. Coastal restoration, management, protection, outreach and coastal collaboratives are priorities. Christi is working with partners to develop best practices, to influence policy and to increase the use of living shorelines.

Christi was instrumental in the founding of partner organizations to support conservation, including Altamaha Riverkeeper, McIntosh Sustainable Environment and Economic Development Initiative, and the Altamaha River Cooperative (a collaboration of major forest products companies, landowners and agencies).

From the foothills of the Appalachian Mountains in northwest Georgia, Christi grew-up rambling in the woods and rivers. She studied natural resources and chemistry at Shorter College and Berry College receiving a bachelor’s degree in science; she also received a master’s degree in geography and ecology from the University of Georgia.

ANNE LEE
APEX FOR YOUTH

Anne Lee is currently the director of development at Apex for Youth, where she manages donors, corporate grants and corporate matching, as well as the Apex Associate Board, and works extensively with them on volunteer recruitment. She also leads and executes all fundraising events, including the annual gala, Apex’s primary fundraising vehicle.

Anne’s previous experience in not for profits and education includes serving as the New York chapter president of Project by Project, a volunteer-run nonprofit that raises awareness of Asian American issues; teaching English to young children in Japan; and tutoring Chinatown elementary school students during her undergraduate years in Los Angeles. Prior to Apex, she was a journalist for many years, published in outlets like Money, Fast Company and
Anne holds an M.S. in journalism from Northwestern University, and a B.A. in English from the University of California, Los Angeles.

**Rodney Lee**
**Children’s Aid Society**

Rodney Lee is the assistant division director of foster care in Manhattan at The Children’s Aid Society. He oversees the Medical Foster Care Program, Treatment Family Foster Care Program and Family Foster Care Program. He is also the director of the Home Maker Services program. Mr. Lee has been with The Children’s Aid Society since April 2004.

Prior to joining The Children’s Aid Society Mr. Lee worked as a director of independent living helping young adults in foster care to develop self sufficiency skills so that they would be prepared as they aged out of foster care. Mr. Lee also was director of home finding. In this capacity he supervised a team responsible for recruiting, training and licensing/opening foster homes.

Mr. Lee began working in the field of social work in 1992 as a case worker at a foster care agency and in a group home for adolescent boys. During this time, Mr. Lee also gained experience leading bereavement groups for adolescent children who have lost their parents.

Mr. Lee earned his bachelor’s degree in psychology from Howard University in Washington D.C., and his master’s in social work from Boston College.

**Rosie Wang**
**Sanctuary for Families**

Rosie Wang is a legal fellow at Sanctuary for Families, a nonprofit in New York City that serves victims of gender based violence. Rosie’s work focuses on assisting Mandarin-speaking victims of sex trafficking and domestic violence. She works closely with the Human Trafficking Intervention Court in Queens, New York, which serves as a national model for connecting individuals arrested on prostitution and related criminal charges with social services instead of criminal convictions. Rosie collaborates with pro bono partners to offer immigration consultations to foreign born defendants. As part of the Court program to provide vulnerable individuals with reliable information and free legal representation, Rosie assists victims of trafficking apply for formalized immigration relief, and works with Sanctuary caseworkers to connect clients with therapy, healthcare, job training, and housing.

Rosie began working with Sanctuary as an intern in 2013 and was awarded the Abely Fellowship in recognition of her work with domestic violence victims on orders of protections, child custody,
support, and visitation issues. She graduated from Columbia Law School, and received her bachelor’s degree from the University of California, Berkeley. She was born in Chengdu, Sichuan, and grew up in Northern California.

MIN ZHENG
WATERKEEPER ALLIANCE

From local to global, Min Zheng began her career in sustainability at the grassroots level by developing community-based initiatives to increase environmental awareness among youths and communities for over 10 years from the East to the West coast of the United States. Min is also knowledgeable about environmental issues internationally through her studies and travels in countries such as Costa Rica, South Africa, China and Japan.

Building on her grassroots experiences and international knowledge, Min worked for Pacific Environment in San Francisco helping grassroots Chinese environmental NGOs tackle industrial water pollution. Her graduate school experience in supply chain management enabled her to connect the non-profit and for profit sectors through the theme of sustainability. These practical experiences included consulting for a consumer products company to develop inclusive business models and sustainable procurement strategies in Ghana, conducting in-depth research on water sustainability in the apparel industry, and exploring win-win business strategies between NGOs and corporations through in-person interviews.

Min holds an MBA in sustainability from Bard College and a B.S. in environmental studies, focused on international and community development, from the University of Vermont.
The U.S. Department of State has awarded a grant to the National Committee on U.S.-China Relations to implement the Professional Fellows Program for China and Mongolia. This two-way exchange program includes participants who work in the fields of the environment, legal aid, community building with marginalized populations, and philanthropy. The heart of the program is a four-week fellowship placement at an organization in the United States that focuses on the same issue(s) as the fellow and his/her home institution. In addition, all participants are responsible for implementing individual projects in their home countries upon their return; the projects must be built upon – or informed by – what s/he learned during the fellowship placement.

After the Asian fellows return to their home countries, Americans from their host organizations travel to China or Mongolia to work with fellows on their individual projects, and to gain an understanding of the situation on the ground.

The National Committee on United States-China Relations is a nonprofit, educational organization that encourages understanding of China and the United States among citizens of both countries. The Committee conducts exchange and policy activities with mainland China, Hong Kong, and Taiwan in the areas of economic development and management, governance and legal affairs, international relations, educational administration, environmental and global issues, and mass communication.

Membership includes distinguished Americans from all parts of the country who represent many points of view but share the belief that increased public knowledge of China, U.S.-China relations, and developments in “Greater China” enhances international understanding and strengthens the Sino-American relationship.