

## MEET THE EVENT PLANNING TEAM



*Raymie Crimm*

**ASSISTANT DIRECTOR  
OF EVENT PLANNING**

Hailing from picturesque Silver City, NM, Raymie is a native of the American Southwest. Before moving to The Old Pueblo, Raymie worked as a special events manager at Universal Studios Hollywood for well over a decade. In her spare time, she enjoys sharpening her tongue on her husband's ego and raising two fearlessly rambunctious daughters. She's trying to forget the times she had to dress as "SpongeBob SquarePants" (no copyright infringement!) for work, or tried to sell steak knives to unsuspecting shoppers at a supermarket...if you need a laugh, ask her about them.



*Charlene James*

**SENIOR SALES  
AND EVENT PLANNER**

Charlene originally hails from New York, New York and grew up in the Washington, D.C. area. She has been in the event planning industry for twenty-three years, seven of those at the University of Arizona Student Unions. Having managed all types and sizes of events as both the planner and the venue representative, Charlene uses her extensive background to assist clients in creating outstanding events. She's also an avid reader of food blogs, books in many genres, and heartwarming animal stories.



*Johnique Woods*

**SALES AND EVENT PLANNER**

Zealous to create extraordinary event experiences that guests can remember for years to come. Recently relocating from sunny San Diego, CA, Johnique brings her experience in corporate, non-profit and social event planning to Tucson. She believes developing and maintaining solid-trusting relationships with every client is essential to success in this industry. Fun Facts- Johnique has created editorial photoshoots, designed news segment sets and offered set design for magazines and blogs worldwide and loves to brunch!



*Lisa Naik*

**SALES AND EVENT PLANNER**

Lisa's career background is a variety from working resorts to hotel sales. Over the years, she has found her passion for event planning and finds joy from providing memorable event experiences to attendees. Raised in Southern California, Lisa has moved over 20 times in her life and as a result loves traveling. One of her favorite places being Agra, India and walking inside the Taj Mahal. In Tucson, Lisa likes to go on walks at Sabino Canyon and marvel in its beauty. Lisa appreciates tasty food, good wine, and great company, as well as spending time with family.



*Alex Ortega*

**SALES AND EVENT PLANNER**

Born on the beautiful island of Puerto Rico, Alex brings the island experience to the team and events. Working for the Student Unions allows her to showcase her passion and creativity. With expertise in large scale festivals, sponsorship and private charters in VICE city of Miami. Recently relocated to Tucson, she enjoys playing board games, cuddling with her French bulldog and finding new eats in the area.



*Angelique Leon*

**SALES AND EVENT PLANNER**

Angelique is a Tucson native that fell in love with events while working in the radio industry. Her first year as a University employee was spent with the operations department, giving her extensive knowledge of room set up. Angelique's favorite part of her job is developing student workers. In her free time she loves to watch Grey's Anatomy, play with her two Pomeranians and take spontaneous trips to Disneyland.



*Amanda Murphy*

**EVENT & CATERING FRONT OFFICE SPECIALIST**

A Tucson native, Amanda is intimately familiar with the diverse and fantastic roots the city has to offer. Amanda began working in the events industry as the events director of a luxury dine in movie theater in town and fell in love with the euphoric feeling of accomplishment that followed each successful event. In her free time, Amanda can be found bingeing true crime podcasts, chasing after her toddler and playing with one of her three dogs. She is excited to assist with creating one-of-a-kind events for the University of Arizona!

## MEET THE CATERING TEAM



*Judy Stout*

**ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF CATERING**

Judy has years of experience in both hotel Sales and Catering as well as a decade with an upscale restaurant and catering company. Originally from Marion, Ohio Judy enjoys the university community and working with students. Her hobbies include gardening and spoiling her grandchildren.



*Manny Ramirez*

**CATERING MANAGER**

You will always find Manny in the Student Union Dock Office. His extensive experience in the university setting has helped Arizona Catering Company to expand service campus wide. Adorning Tucson from the great city of Eloy, Arizona Manny's love of music has made Fourth Avenue his second home.



*Beaney Cota*

**CATERING MANAGER**

With many years here at Arizona Catering Company, everyone knows Beaney! Originally from Guasave, Mexico, Beaney began her career here as a student. She relates well to all those who now look up to her. She works closely with students to improve their professional development and has become a mentor to many.

As a side note, Beaney met her husband while working here at Arizona Catering Company (make sure you ask to see her beautiful photos) and is a Netflix Junkie!



*Stephanie Bixby*

**CATERING MANAGER**

Stephanie Bixby was born and raised in Tucson, so being a Wildcat fan comes naturally. She has been a Catering Manager for over 10 years with a local Tucson restaurant. Stephanie has a BA in Animation and spent 5 years hand painting contact lenses for theater work, some of her artwork is in movies and on television. Both her and her husband have a passion for travel. They enjoy seeing new places and spending time with their two boys. When you see Stephanie next ask her about her hobbies and family!