*Bio for Anita D. Farrington -*

Anita Farrington had a professional career at New York University spanning 35 years, serving in a Dean’s capacity for 25 of those years at 3 NYU Schools; the NYU Stern Graduate School of Business, the College of Arts and Science, and the Tandon School of Engineering.

In 2010 she assumed the role of Dean of Student Affairs at NYU-Poly where she played a key leadership role in overseeing the merger of New York University with NYU-Polytechnic School of Engineering, the second oldest engineering school in the country. She received the 2015 NASPA Excellence Award (National Association for Student Personnel Administrators) for work on the merger that included expanding services in 8 departments and launching new programming initiatives for 6000 engineering students.

Anita began her career at the NYU Stern School of Business, where she served as Director of MBA Academic Advisement and Director of Diversity Admissions. During that time she served on the Board of Directors for the Consortium of Graduate Study in Management, an organization dedicated to providing fellowships and corporate career opportunities to Black and Hispanic MBA students. She is particularly proud of the large number of graduate students of color who she recruited through this organization who are now senior corporate executives, entrepreneurs and CEOs of their own companies. She then assumed the role of Dean for Freshmen at the NYU College of Arts and Science for 17 years, prior to her final Dean’s position at the engineering school.

While at the engineering school, Anita forged special partnerships with professional organizations who aligned with her passion of increasing STEM education and career awareness for historically underserved communities, such as the National Society of Black Engineers and the American Association of Blacks in Energy ***AABE.*** In Spring 2016 she was presented with a Community and Education Award by the American Association of Blacks in Energy.

She has also dedicated a great deal of time to collaborating with organizations whose goal is to build STEM and STEAM awareness for K-12 students. Those organizations include Black Girls Code, Engineering Tomorrow, Code for Life, and the Greater New York Girl Scouts, all inspiring young men and women of color to learn about the engineering and tech marketplace

In 2016, Anita was inducted into the Greater New York Chapter of the Links, Incorporated, the largest Black female philanthropic and service organization in the country. Her induction service project was called ***STEMulate****. See link below.*

<https://www.dropbox.com/s/3xjj6vcee0oabgg/Stemulate%20Intro%20042916.mp4?dl=0>

In Fall 2017 she was invited to serve as a Board member for ***Geeks Rule*** whose mission is dedicated to providing quality STEM afterschool curriculum for K-12 underserved students. She served as co-chair of their inaugural gala and raised over $150,000 for the organization.

Inspired by over 3 decades of experience helping students gain educational access and career placement success, and with extensive corporate, government agency and not profit networks, Anita decided to leave NYU in January 2021, to launch her own company, STEM Impact, LLC. As CEO, she provides consulting services to these corporations and agencies to elevate STEM career awareness to high school and college students, and to increase the pipeline of underrepresented minorities entering their STEM workforce, with a particular emphasis on energy and environmental sustainability.

Anita has served on numerous Boards including:

***The Brookhaven National Laboratory***

***Legacy Engineers Firm (Co-Founders Cheryl McKissack and John Rice)***

***The Southampton African American Museum, Executive Board Member***

***The Urban Green Council***

***NYU Federal Credit Union***

***The Ralph Lauren DEI Advisory Board***

***Sag Harbor Hills Improvement Association***

She is the recipient of numerous awards given by students and professional organizations, her most cherished, the NYU Golden Rose Woman of the Year award …it is a reminder of how grateful she is to have had a lifelong dream fulfilled of helping students gain educational access and achieve their dreams.

Her personal interests are in the arts, especially classic and contemporary jazz, and in supporting African-American artists, as well as active community service in her Greater New York Links, Inc. Chapter.