## **GROW Newsletter - September 2023**



## Welcome Back!

We hope you're all enjoying the start of the Fall semester!

We're thrilled to welcome you back to GSU and to GROW. We've missed you and we're excited for another fun year together!

While we're getting ready behind the scenes for upcoming meetings and events, we want you to know that it's your presence making it possible. Whether you're a returning member or new to the club, you're an essential part of what makes GROW, grow!

This year, we look forward to planning more in-person events to be able to see and engage with all of you face to face.

To kick things off. GROW volunteered with Harper-Archer Elementary school on September 9th (that's where the pictures up top came from!) Be on the lookout for more great volunteering opportunities!

We'll be holding our first meeting of the year at Student Center West, Room 258 on Wednesday, September 27th, 3:30pm -5:00pm. It'll be a great opportunity to meet with old friends and make new ones, and we hope to see you there!

Last (but not least), welcome the new officers of GROW!



## Meet the Officers!

Parris Maguire: Hi! My name is Parris and I am the media strategist for GROW. I am a graduate student in the Department of Geosciences getting a master's degree in Water Sciences. I love to cook and go on hikes. I'm looking forward to a great year with everyone!

Jada Nimblett: Hi there, My name is Jada Nimblett, and I GROW's treasurer for the 2023-2024 academic year. I am from Trinidad and Tobago, a small twin-island country in the southern Caribbean. I graduated with my B.Sc. in Geosciences (Geology concentration) this past summer, and now I am pursuing my M.Sc in Geology. I enjoy hiking, going to the beach, game nights, Netflix and lots more!

Olivia Acres: Hi! My name is Olivia Acres, and I'm a junior Geosciences major with a concentration in Geology and a minor in Biology. I'm super interested in paleontology as a career, and my hobbies are embroidery, reading, hiking, and herpetology.

Joell Ashcraft: Hi everyone, my name's Joell! A little about myself is that I'm originally from Utah and I own a cat named Apple and she's my world. I'm currently a senior here at Georgia State in the dual degree program getting my B.S. in geosciences with a concentration in geology. I'm also pursuing a water science certification! I'm excited to start this journey being a GROW officer and excited to get to know all of you!

Olivia Kirkland: Hi! I'm the president of GROW. I graduate with my B.S in Geosciences in the fall, and in the spring I'll start my M.S with a plan to focus on GIS and environmental justice. With an awesome team, awesome members, and an awesome department, I'm looking forward to a fun year!

## Highlights

<u>September 9:</u> Volunteered at Harper-Archer Elementary

<u>September 27</u>: First meeting of the year

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Parris Maguire - Media Strategist



Jada Nimblett - Treasurer



Olivia Acres - Secretary



Joell Ashcraft - Vice President



Olivia Kirkland - President

