BIO
Beth Knox, President & CEO
2018 Special Olympics USA Games

Beth has produced large-scale, special events for nearly 30 years. She is currently producing the National Games for Special Olympics, bringing 3500 athletes with intellectual disabilities to Seattle in the summer of 2018. Her career started with Seafair, Seattle’s largest festival, and included multiple roles at One Reel, a Seattle arts, music and cultural non profit, and CEO of the Boise River Festival in Idaho. She returned to Seafair where she served as CEO for ten years producing the region’s premier ten-week summer celebration including Seafair Summer Fourth Fireworks Show, Torchlight Parade, and Seafair Weekend Hydroplane Race and Air Show featuring the U.S. Navy Blue Angels. At Seafair, Beth also ran its affiliated Foundation, managing scholarship and youth educational programs. Under Beth’s leadership, Seafair brought the Rock ‘n’ Roll Marathon to Seattle in 2009, resurrected the City’s Fourth of July fireworks show after it was cancelled in 2013, and produced the spectacular 2014 Seattle Seahawks Super Bowl Victory Parade that drew 750,000 spectators in downtown Seattle.

Beth was named a Puget Sound Business Journal Woman of Influence in 2013, and serves on the boards of Seattle Police Foundation and Seattle Sports Commission. She lives in Issaquah, Washington with her husband, Jim and twin, high school seniors, Jared & Lucas.