

MEET A SEAMASS MEMBER:

Christine McLaughlin, PE

Christine is a structural engineer with HNTB in Boston, as well as Event Coordinator with the SEAMASS Young Members Group. She has five years of experience with bridge design, inspection, and rating services, in addition to miscellaneous building design. Christine earned her B.S. in Civil and Environmental Engineering from Northeastern University with a Structural concentration.



She has answered the questions below, so we can know her better. Thank you, Christine, for your contributions to SEAMASS and the Structural Engineering profession!

Why did you join SEAMASS?

I was invited by the YMG Chair at the time through a different industry organization event. I had been interested in networking more with other structural engineers and growing my knowledge, as I don't get much building experience in my current role.

As an engineer, what accomplishments are you most proud of?

I'd like to broaden my expertise. I've worked on a variety of projects, but I appreciate the different experiences of working on small and large projects with different scopes and requirements.

Describe a project that you're involved with.

I'm currently working on a bridge replacement. The fun part is, the old bridge is a 38-year-old "temporary" bridge built by the Army Corps as a trial for a river crossing. It's also my first project working with a landscape architect. We've had interesting conversations about potential designs and balancing that with budget and use. It's been a great experience to have so much freedom with a new design, even with all the constraints. But that just makes it more interesting.

How do you spend your free time?

In my free time I enjoy cooking stuff I find on Pinterest and playing with my new puppy, Luffy! She loves to snuggle.