

CALL FOR BOARD NOMINATIONS

The WAA Nominations Committee is seeking candidates for the Board of Directors. Help ensure the excellence of WAA's leadership by nominating a qualified member. The Committee's slate of candidates will be distributed to the membership prior to the 2008 annual conference and election.

Send your nominations in today!

The 2008 Nominations Committee

Romana Jaroff, *IMG Artists*

Celesta Billeci, *University of California Santa Barbara*

Jude Narita, *Jude Narital No Surrender Productions*

Todd Walker, *International Music Network*

Jason Belz, *Kirshbaum, Demler & Associates*

Myron Martin, *The Smith Center for the Performing Arts (Chair)*

Ellis Rice, *City of Las Vegas- Arts & Community Events*

Board Commitment and Responsibility

Members of the Board of Directors are constant ambassadors and proponents of performing arts presenting in the Western region. They also promote WAA's welfare in all possible ways.

Responsibilities include:

- To determine policies and to ensure their implementation.
- To establish objective and long-range plans; to aid the officers and staff of WAA in achieving these objectives and plans.
- To give all meetings and other activities pertaining to WAA high priority on their calendar of commitments.
- To attend the annual conference and actively recruit and encourage others in the region to attend.
- To establish close contact with and an understanding of other Board members and the administrative staff.
- To establish a working relationship with the members, i.e., by asking questions, listening to their concerns, speaking on their behalf, and generally serving their needs.
- To participate in an annual Board evaluation process.
- To volunteer for those committee assignments and other activities in which they can best function for the good of the organization.
- To do all they can to enhance the financial position of the organization by increasing membership and attendance at the annual conference, and by providing input into any fundraising activities/discussions.
- To oversee the administrative operations of the organization including the hiring, contracting, and evaluation of the Executive Director.
- To establish, implement, and evaluate ongoing strategic plans for WAA.
- To approve and review WAA's annual budget and annual report.
- To delegate to officers of WAA special managerial and fiscal powers, authorizing them to handle corporate accounts, contracts, etc.
- On the basis of study and innovative thought, to be involved fully in all of the deliberations and decisions affecting the organization to be both a knowledgeable pursuer of "old business" and an aggressive proposer of "new business."

The twelve WAA Committees are:

Awards

Finance

Mentoring Sub-Committee

Scholarship

Communications

Leadership

Nominations

Sponsorship

Conference

Membership

Professional Development

Showcase Sub-Committee

What the WAA bylaws say about the Nominations Committee:

The Nominations Committee shall be appointed by the Board of Directors and shall be chaired by the Immediate Past President. In the event the post of Immediate Past President is vacant, the Committee Chair shall be elected by the Board from among the Directors who are not officers. The Nominations Committee will be composed of seven members: the Immediate Past President, who shall serve as Chair; two additional directors, neither of whom shall be the President, and one of whom shall not be an officer; and 4 members of the corporation who are not directors or officers. At least one member of the Nominations Committee (in addition to the Chair) shall have served on the Committee in the previous year to insure continuity. Members of the Nominations Committee are not eligible to be nominated for service as a director or officer by that Committee, but may be nominated from the floor. The Nominations Committee shall nominate a candidate for each office, which is to become vacant seven days after the next annual meeting of the membership. The Committee shall present their slate of candidates to the membership not less than thirty (30) days prior to the annual meeting.

Current Board Members whose terms will expire in September 2008:

Aaron Egigian (President)
Orange County Performing Arts Center

David Fischer (Vice President)
Broadway Center for the Performing Arts

Itzik Becher (Director)
AVIV Productions Inc.

Lindsey Nelson (Director)
Flowerpot Productions

Cory Baker (2008)
Scottsdale Center for the Arts

Continuing Board Members and their terms:

Marc Baylin (2010)
Baylin Artists Management

Matthew Greenhill (2009)
Folklore Productions International

Romana Jaroff (2009)
IMG Artists

Harold Norris (2010)
H-Art Management

Michael Reed (2010)
ASU Public Events

Todd Walker (2010)
International Music Network

Renae Williams (Treasurer 2009)
Music Center of Los Angeles

Nominations must be received in the WAA Office by May 16, 2008

Requirements

A. The nominee shall have:

1. At least three years experience in the field of touring and presenting the performing arts.
2. The ability to commit to a minimum of 3-4 hours per week to WAA committee work and assignments in addition to attending all scheduled Board meetings (3-4 per year.)
3. Leadership skills that will positively affect areas of importance to the organization including; financial management, personnel or business management, professional development, membership development, and fundraising/development.
4. Participated in volunteer activities in the field such as local organizations, state consortia, WAA committees, etc.

B. The nominee shall possess the ability to:

1. Act, first and foremost, as a trustee of the entire organization, while also attending to the concerns of individual members and balancing regional needs.
2. Propose creative solutions to problems facing the field and embody the rules of ethical behavior that are promoted by WAA.
3. Represent and/or consider the needs of constituencies that have not been effectively served by WAA in the past.

C. The nominee shall, if not already a member of WAA, agree to join the organization within 30 days of election.

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Nomination Form

To nominate a colleague for a board position, please fill out the information below and submit with a separate letter of support describing why you believe this candidate is suited to this position according to the criteria, along with a current résumé and letter of interest from the nominee. Please duplicate this form for multiple nominations. All nominations must be received in the WAA office by **May 16, 2008**.

I would like to nominate: _____ (Nominee's name and organization)

for the position of: ___President ___Vice President ___Director (3)

Your name _____

Your organization _____

Your mailing address _____

Your phone number _____ Your email _____

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