



AFLMA BOARD MEMBER JOB DESCRIPTION

The mission of Arts for Learning Massachusetts (AFLMA) is to educate, inspire and empower youth through the arts. We believe the arts are an essential component of both formal education and youth development, and we recognize the transformational power of the arts for social justice and healing. We are committed to providing youth of all abilities, identities, and backgrounds access to the rich educational opportunities and sense of belonging inherent in arts learning.

Since 1962, Arts for Learning Massachusetts has collaborated with artists, educators, and community partners to develop programs that harness the many powers of the arts to create leaders, build skills, bring curriculum vibrantly to life, and introduce youth to new cultures, and means of self-expression.

LEADERSHIP: To serve on the Board of Directors as a voting member, to develop policies, procedures, and regulations for the organization's operation.

ROLE AND SPECIFIC DUTIES OF A BOARD MEMBER:

1. Financial oversight of the organization;
2. Strategic planning to ensure activities are aligned with the mission and organizational resources;
3. Fundraising and development of financial resources;
4. Developing policies for board operations, fiscal management, programs and personnel;
5. Building strategic connections with civic and community leaders and participation in arts learning advocacy programs;
6. Serving as an ambassador of the organization to the public, private, and business sectors;

TERM: Each Board Member is initially voted in for a 3-year term.

OBLIGATIONS:

1. Attend meetings as scheduled and actively participate. Be well-informed on Board issues;
2. Share skills, knowledge, and expertise (at board meetings, in committee/project work);
3. Be an ambassador for Arts for Learning MA in the community;
4. Minimum expected annual donation is \$1,000, or less as discussed with the Board President.



WHO WE ARE: Arts for Learning Massachusetts (AFLMA) is a non-profit organization that provides quality educational arts programming to the students of the Commonwealth. Our programming meets the highest standards of artistic quality and ties closely to state-determined learning objectives and curricula. In addition, our Expanded Arts Access Programs offer quality, Social and Emotional Learning centered, and trauma-informed arts education programming to over 2,000 students per year in under resourced communities. Students served are primarily marginalized populations who face a range of challenges from poverty, to learning and physical disabilities, to educational careers disrupted by trauma, English as a second language, and COVID-19 learning loss. The arts reach these young people. The qualities of play, imagination, and expression engage them in learning, and this engagement is energizing and therapeutic.

For more information about AFLMA, visit artsforlearningma.org

For more information about volunteering, contact:

Nancy Gittelson, Nominating and Governance Committee Chairperson

E: Nominating@artsforlearningma.org

AFLMA BOARD MEMBER APPLICATION

Thanks for your interest in our work. Please complete this form and return it to Nancy Gittelson at nominating@artsforlearningma.org along with a copy of your resume or CV.

Name & Pronouns _____

Telephone (day) _____ (mobile)

Email

Mailing Address

Current Employer or Affiliation _____

Current Role

Personal Website or LinkedIn profile _____



1. How did you become aware of AFLMA and what motivates you to serve on its Board?

2. If you have been active in any arts education organization, please describe your role:

3. On which other Boards, if any, have you served?

4. Can you regularly attend monthly board meetings in the evening?

5. Are you able to meet the annual donation commitment??

6. Please check the skills you could contribute:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> accounting | <input type="checkbox"/> management | <input type="checkbox"/> PR/marketing | <input type="checkbox"/> investment counsel |
| <input type="checkbox"/> fundraising | <input type="checkbox"/> public speaking | <input type="checkbox"/> legal counsel | <input type="checkbox"/> information technology |
| <input type="checkbox"/> event planning | <input type="checkbox"/> volunteer mgmt | <input type="checkbox"/> grant writing | <input type="checkbox"/> community relations |
| <input type="checkbox"/> arts/education academic background | | | |

7. Please include a brief bio:

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DATE