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The Philadelphia Cultural Fund welcomes LaNeshe Miller-White, John Orr and Kelli Paul to its Board of Directors.



The Philadelphia Cultural Fund (PCF) welcomes new members to its Board of Directors: **LaNeshe Miller-White** (top right), **John Orr** (bottom left) and **Kelli Paul** (bottom right).

“We are thrilled to add three brilliant people to our board this year as we intensify our commitment to Philadelphia’s arts and culture sector at a time when it is greatly challenged by the ongoing COVID pandemic,” said **Barbara Silzle, Executive Director of the Philadelphia Cultural Fund**. “We believe these additions to our board bring with them a deep understanding of the power of the arts to heal and enhance our communities, a commitment to equitable and transparent grantmaking on behalf of the City of Philadelphia, and a range of artistic experiences and perspectives that will serve PCF well.”

LaNeshe Miller-White | Board Member, Mayoral Appointment

LaNeshe Miller-White is the Executive Director of Theatre Philadelphia, an umbrella organization that celebrates, and promotes the Philadelphia region's diverse and growing theatre community. She is a cultural producer, actress, and marketer, serving as the Marketing Manager for Painted Bride Art Center for over 10 years. She is a graduate of Temple University's School of Communications and Theater. She believes in using art for social change and is the Executive Director and Co-Founder of Theatre in the X, a West

Philadelphia based theater company that produces accessible theater productions for Black audiences and provides opportunities for Black artists. She is on the Steering Committee of the Black Theatre Alliance of Philadelphia and she is a Philadelphia Arts & Business Council Designing Leadership and Digital Drawing Board Program Graduate.

John Orr | Board Member

John Orr is the Executive Director at Art-Reach in the city of Philadelphia. Over his tenure Art-Reach has positioned itself as an innovative leader in accessible arts programming. Every year, over 200,000 people experience the arts in an accessible way through an Art-Reach program. The past 23 years of Orr's career has focused on ensuring cultural access to as many people as possible. He has served as President of the Museum Council of Greater Philadelphia and has worked at large museums, small community art centers and international research institutions. In 2017 Orr was appointed by the Mayor of Philadelphia to serve on the Mayor's Commission on People with Disabilities, and in 2020 Orr was appointed by the Governor of Pennsylvania to serve on the Board of the Pennsylvania Humanities Council. Orr lives in South Philadelphia with his partner Allison, 10-year old daughter Maddie, and two grey cats who hate each other.

Kelli Paul | Board Member

Kelli Paul is the Vice President of Development at the Greater Philadelphia Cultural Alliance. As the VP of Development, Kelli is responsible for meeting the Cultural Alliance's annual contributed revenue goals and manages all support from foundations, corporations, individuals and the government. Before joining the Cultural Alliance team, Kelli worked as the Development and Marketing Manager for The Philadelphia Singers. She holds an MS in Arts Administration from Drexel University and a BS in Dance/Business from Eastern University. Kelli is the co-founder of Emerging Arts Leaders: Philadelphia and serves on the Association of Fundraising Professionals-Greater Philadelphia Chapter's Nominating committee for the National Philanthropy Day Awards. Kelli has also served on the steering committee for the Philadelphia chapter of Women in Development, the Next Generation committee of the Association of Fundraising Professionals (Global), as Board President of Ballet 180 and a panelist for the Philadelphia Cultural Fund. She was a 2017 Greater Philadelphia Leadership Exchange delegate and part of the 2014 Designing Leadership class by the Arts and Business Council of Greater Philadelphia.

About The Philadelphia Cultural Fund

Established in 1991 to support and enhance the cultural life and vitality of the City of Philadelphia and its residents, the Philadelphia Cultural Fund, through the combined efforts of the Philadelphia City Council and the Mayor, promotes arts and culture as engines of social, educational and economic development and has played a key stabilizing role for numerous organizations by providing much needed general operating funding.

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