



AFLMA BOARD MEMBER JOB DESCRIPTION (2023)

The **mission** of Arts for Learning Massachusetts (AFLMA) is to educate, inspire, and empower youth through the arts. We believe that arts are an essential component of both formal education and youth development and that all students, regardless of backgrounds, talents, and abilities, deserve access to the rich educational opportunities 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. Last year we worked with 160 communities serving more than 70,000 young people with theater, dance, music, storytelling, and visual arts programming. Celebrating its 60th anniversary in 2022,



AFLMA continues to serve as a vital link between Massachusetts' best teaching artists and the region's young people.

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 arts education programming to students in under resourced communities, hospitals, and shelters.

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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