



# Join Our Board!

The Boston Art & Music Soul Fest Board seeks to appoint three new members to ensure we have the capacity and skills to oversee the next phase of our work; including an experienced board president to collaborate with the current board president to move from a working board to a governing board.

Board members are expected to attend a minimum of (4) evening board meetings per year in Dorchester but also be available in between board meetings to serve on committees, attend events and act as an ambassador to the organization in the community and within personal networks.

Board members currently serve (2) year terms, which may be renewed. The roles are unpaid voluntary positions. Reasonable expenses are paid.



## THE ROLE(S) MADE FOR YOU:

We are seeking to recruit a number of board members, and expect that different candidates will bring a range of skills and experience to our BAMS Fest board.

Expectations for board members include:

- Dedicate 15-20 hours per month to BAMS Fest related activities which may include committee work, supporting evening events, and advising staff in areas of expertise;
- Act as an ambassador for the organization, connecting the organization to new audiences and potential influencers and funders;
- Be willing to make a personal financial contribution that is a stretch. Current board members have committed to at least \$500 per year;
- Willingness to be an active and engaged Board member; ask questions, share insights, bring up concerns.



## EXPERTISE & KNOWLEDGE SOUGHT:

- Previous experience on nonprofit or for-profit boards; Strategic planning, especially for rapidly growing organizations;
- Fundraising and Resource Development (e.g. from individuals, partnerships with business, foundations and/or nonprofit organizations, and/or earned income);
- Experience in marketing, communications, and public relations;
- Influence in policy and government;
- Interest in the legal aspects of running an arts, music and entertainment organization.



# About BAMS Fest

We are a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization with a central mission “to breakdown racial and social barriers to arts and culture for marginalized communities of color across Greater Boston.” Since 2015, BAMS Fest has authentically created placemaking, civic, social engagement and employment opportunities for both artists and audiences to convene, connect and explore shared experiences.

## OUR IMPACT

- Since 2015, BAMS FEST has paid over \$45,000 to Boston-based artists for their talent, time and creative capital contribution to our local economy and all communities;
- We have mobilized over 5,000 residents (between 18-35 years of age) to attend our events and have employed 150+ artists and creative entrepreneurs from across Greater Boston;
- We have activated 15 unique spaces with over 50 partners to create shared experiences of cultural exchange.

## HOW TO APPLY...

Submit a resume and a letter of interest by Monday, September 17, 2018, stating why you wish to be considered for the role and what you would like to bring to the position. Current board members and the BAMS Fest staff are available to discuss your interest before applying or help make the most of your experience with the organization.

Prospective board members who best meet our requirements will be invited to speak to existing board members and staff *September 10 thru 14, 2018*. BAMS Fest as a small organization is dedicated to seeking volunteers from all sectors and those not selected as board members will be interviewed for committees and other volunteer opportunities within the organization, to build capacity for individuals to join the board in the future.

Send your documents to [info@bamsfest.org](mailto:info@bamsfest.org), subject line "I want to join the Board!"

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