# **Call for Nominations to the Board of Directors**

September 1, 2021

The Museum Association of New York (MANY) will have open seats on its Board of Directors and invites nominations for those interested in serving April 2022 - April 2025.

Members of the Board of Directors work with colleagues to address the challenges and opportunities for museums in the state. MANY is committed to diversifying its Board by geographic region, museum discipline and budget size, differing abilities, skills, race, gender, sexual identity, ethnicity, and age and welcomes applications from people who bring a range of skills and expertise to sustain a dynamic, innovative, and responsive organization.

We are seeking board candidates who are museum professionals in the Capital, Central, Long Island, Mohawk, New York City, Southern Tier, and Western New York Regions.

MANY staff and Board meet at various locations around the state at least five times a year with one mandatory meeting during the annual conference. Terms are renewable for a second three years and the length of service may change if nominated to serve in an executive committee capacity. Members of the Board of Directors are responsible for the custody, control, and direction of MANY under NY and federal statutes and regulations and organizational bylaws.

Members of the Board of Directors

* Embrace MANY’s mission and advocate for the field and the organization.
* Promote diversity in programming, membership, staffing, and board representation.
* Contribute financially to the organization and/or secure donations.
* Join MANY as Organizational Members.

Applicants must be:

* passionate about MANY’s mission
* comfortable in leadership positions
* known for innovation and creativity
* constructive problem solvers
* happy to share expertise with peers
* familiar with MANY programs

To nominate a colleague or yourself, send an application to the Chair of the Nominating Committee, Dr. Georgette Grier-Key via [hdesmeules@nysmuseums.org](mailto:hdesmeules@nysmuseums.org) by October 15, 2021.

Applications will be reviewed by the Nominating Committee and selected candidates should expect to participate in an informational discussion with the committee as part of the application review. The committee will bring nominations for a full board vote at the December 8, 2021 meeting of the Board of Trustees. Applicants will be notified soon after.

Nominees approved by the board will put to a vote by the membership in February 2022 in accordance with MANY by-laws.

# Nomination Form

MANY Board of Directors, Class of 2022-2025

Send a bio (500 words or fewer) and a completed form to:

Chair of the Nominating Committee, Dr. Georgette Grier-Key via [hdesmeules@nysmuseums.org](mailto:hdesmeules@nysmuseums.org) by October 15, 2021.

Potential Board Member Name:

Title: Organization:

Phone: Email:

Reference Name One:

Title: Organization:

Phone: Email:

Reference Name Two:

Title: Organization:

Phone: Email:

Please answer the following questions as part of this application process: Why are you interested in serving on the MANY board?

What expertise would you bring to the MANY Board and the organization? What, if any, is your prior relationship with MANY?

What is your current position? (include how long you have served in that role) What are two accomplishments you have achieved in your current role?

Would you describe yourself as technologically savvy? (adept at virtual communications, social media, shared file systems)

How have you advanced aspects of Diversity Equity, Access, and Inclusion personally and/or in your career?