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Jeffrey Poulos named Executive Director of Associated Grant Makers



The board of directors and the executive search committee of Associated Grant Makers are pleased to announce **Jeffrey Poulos** will take the helm as the new Executive Director of Associated Grant Makers (AGM) beginning August 2, 2010.

Jeff has served as Executive Director of StageSource, a membership association of theaters, for nine years, during which time he reversed an ongoing annual budget deficit and developed a cash reserve fund. Under his leadership, the organizational membership grew from 140 to 220 and individual membership climbed from 1,400 to 2,000. Jeff has experience in providing education and information to members, developing opportunities for networking among members and in lending the voice of a

particular sector to the public discourse.

"We believe that Jeff possesses a range of remarkable skills and as a gifted generalist he will serve AGM in meeting all of the goals set forth in our new strategic plan, particularly our number one goal to be a member-driven organization. His connection to both the foundation and public charity realms gives him a good understanding of AGM's key role as a bridge between the two sides of the field," explains Mary Phillips, AGM Board Chair.

AGM would like to extend our thanks and gratitude to the executive search committee for their time and dedication to this process and ensuring AGM selected the best candidate.

David Ford, The Richard and Susan Smith Family Foundation

Nancy Gardiner, Hemenway & Barnes LLP

Kate Guedj, The Boston Foundation

Blake Jordan, Highland Street Foundation

Celina Miranda, BNY Mellon

Mary Phillips, GMA Foundations

Tyra Sidberry, Third Sector New England

Lois Smith, Greater Worcester Community Foundation

The board would like to thank *Miki Akimoto* for her work and leadership as Acting President during this interim period. During this time, Miki played a key role in working with the board to keep AGM's strategic plan in motion.

Associated Grant Makers is a diverse and vibrant membership association of highly engaged philanthropic organizations and individuals with interests in Massachusetts and surrounding areas that supports the practice and expansion of effective philanthropic giving. For more information about AGM please visit our website www.agmconnect.org.

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