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THE ENGLERT THEATRE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ANDRE PERRY NAMED APAP

LEADERSHIP FELLOW

IOWA CITY, IA – We are excited to share the news that our executive director, Andre Perry, has been selected as a participant in the inaugural class of The Association of Performing Arts Presenters' (APAP) Leadership Fellows Program.

Perry joins a cohort of 25 professionals chosen from more than 50 competitive applicants to take part in a 20 month-long program kicking off in June with a five-day summer intensive at the University of Southern California (USC). This intensive will be followed by ongoing peer-based mentoring, annual gatherings at the APAP|NYC conference in New York City and continuous engagement in an online resource and discussion platform.

Prior to the inception of the Leadership Fellows Program, APAP saw a need for leadership development among mid-career professionals in order to advance the presenting field in the future.

"This program is not simply for those who want to do their job better – though that is an inevitable result – but for those who seek to transform the world through their work as an arts leader," says Mario Garcia Durham, president and CEO of APAP.

## APAP Leadership Fellows Program Inaugural Class

- Jon Catherwood-Ginn, partnerships and engagement manager, Center for the Arts at Virginia Tech - Blacksburg, VA
- Joe Clifford, audience engagement director, Hopkins Center for the Arts,
   Dartmouth College Hanover, NH
- David Denson, senior programming manager, AT&T Performing Arts Center -Dallas, TX
- Jill Dombrowski, executive producer, Montclair State University Montclair, NJ
- Simone Eccleston, assistant director of programming, Harlem Stage New York,
   NY
- Kamilah Forbes, producing artistic director, Hi-ARTS New York, NY
- Tanya Gertz, director of campus programming, Luther College Decorah, IA
- Jason Hodges, executive director, Anchorage Concert Association Anchorage,
   AK
- Brooke Horejsi, assistant dean/ executive director, University of Utah/College of Fine Arts/Utah Presents - Salt Lake City, UT
- Anne Kogan, programming manager, Lisner Auditorium, The George Washington University - Washington, DC
- Jaamil Olawale Kosoko, co-director, anonymous bodies || art collective New York, NY
- Chris Ludwa, artistic director, Bay View Music Festival Petoskey, MI
- Stephanie McKee, executive/artistic director, Junebug Productions Inc. New Orleans. LA
- Allen Moon, director of touring, David Lieberman Artists' Representatives -Newport Beach, CA
- Rosalina Ooi, president, Perak Society of Performing Arts Perak, Malaysia
- Crystal Michelle Fuller Perkins, associate artistic director, Dayton Contemporary
   Dance Company Dayton, OH
- Andre Perry, executive director, The Englert Theatre Iowa City, IA
- Samuel Pott, artistic director, Nimbus Dance Works Jersey City, NJ

- Heather Rigby, general manager of productions, L.A. County Arts
   Commission/Ford Theatre Foundation Hollywood, CA
- Omari Rush, curator of public programs, Ann Arbor Art Center- Ann Arbor, MI
- Kevin Seaman, general manager, Queer Cultural Center San Francisco, CA
- Nurit Smith, deputy director, Grand Performances Los Angeles, CA
- Kathleen Spehar, executive director, The O'Shaughnessy at St. Catherine University - St. Paul, MN
- Beatrice Thomas, independent arts consultant San Francisco, CA
- Tamica Washington-Miller, associate director, Lula Washington Dance Theatre -Redlands, CA

The APAP Leadership Fellows Program is funded by the American Express Foundation, Ford Foundation and The Wallace Foundation. For more **information about the program** please visit <a href="https://www.apap365.org">www.apap365.org</a>.

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