**Trustee Bios**

**Sanford Bing**

Sandy is a retired private school headmaster and educator. He served as faculty at the Hun School for nine years and as head of the upper school administration at Princeton Day School. Sandy then served as President of Princeton Educational Resources Inc., a tutoring, counseling and testing firm for college-bound students. Sandy is a graduate of Lafayette College and holds a master's degree from Rutgers University.

**Gil Blitz**

Gil is a senior vice president at UBS Financial Services with a focus on wealth management. He has served as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital since 1990 and successfully completed service as board chair from 2006-2009. Gil is a graduate of the University of Michigan.

**Michelle Cash**

Michelle most recently worked at DataArts, a nonprofit based in Philadelphia whose mission is to connect the nonprofit arts and culture sector to the power and language of data. Her other professional experience includes more than ten years as a corporate and foundation grantmaker, most recently as the vice president for grants and programs at the Princeton Area Community Foundation. Michelle is experienced in program design, public speaking, major gifts fundraising and nonprofit organizational development.

**Sebastian Clarke**

Sebastian is the Director of Estate services at Rago Arts and Auction Center in Lambertville, NJ. Arriving in the U.S. in 1995, he worked as an apprentice restorer and art handler for Simon Parkes Art Conservation. He began his career in auctions at C.G. Sloane, served as a Specialist in the European Furniture department at Sotheby’s, as Director of the English and Continental furniture department at Freeman’s, and at Doyle New York as a Senior Vice-President and Director of the English and Continental Furniture and Decorations department. Mr. Clarke is also an auctioneer, well-known for his work on the charity circuit.

**Barbara Coe**

Barbara was a senior vice president at Young and Rubicam until 1994 when she put her corporate experience to use helping non-profits. She serves on the Isles, Inc. board and is a trustee of The Friends of Ely Park. She serves on the Grants and Communication Committees and Fund for Women and Girls with the Princeton Area Community Foundation. Barbara graduated from Vassar College with an MA in Psychology.

**Andrea Colby**

Andrea is recently retired from Johnson & Johnson, where she counseled consumer sector businesses on a broad range of patent and intellectual property issues, including intellectual property strategy, licensing and patent procurement. Andrea received undergraduate degrees from SUNY Binghamton and Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, a juris doctorate from Albany Law School and Master of Arts degree from Fielding Graduate University.

**Michael Conlan**

Michaelis a partner in the law firm of Backes & Hill, LLP in Lawrenceville and is certified by the Supreme Court of New Jersey as a Civil Trial Attorney. In his commercial litigation practice, he represents clients in many industries, including software, pharmaceutical, payment processing, construction and insurance entities. Michael was a member of the Board of Trustees for the United Way of Greater Mercer County for the past 20 years, and served as Board Chair for a three-year term.

**Tanuja Dehne**

Tanuja has been consulting since leaving NRG Energy in 2015 where she served as Senior Vice President and Chief of Staff. She is a member of the Board of Directors of Homefront New Jersey, a nonprofit that works with homeless families to end the cycle of poverty and a trustee of the Geraldine R. Dodge Foundation. Tanuja holds an undergraduate degree from Lafayette College, a master’s degree in political science from University of Pennsylvania and juris doctorate from Syracuse University College of Law.

**Liz Fillo**

Liz has had careers that have ranged from advertising to publishing to handling the administrative personnel for Harvard’s Graduate School of Education, but she has spent most of her life in and around show business. As a volunteer, she served on the McCarter Board of Trustees for 20 years, including seven years as president. Liz holds an undergraduate degree from Cornell University.

**Colleen Foy**

Colleen is a commercial real estate professional currently serving as Vice President and Senior Relationship Manager at M&T Bank in Princeton. She serves as current President of the New Jersey chapter of the Real Estate Lenders Association. Colleen is a frequent volunteer with several organizations: One Table Café, Habitat for Humanity, and the Crisis Ministry of Princeton. She earned a Bachelor of Business Administration from the University of Notre Dame and a Masters in Real Estate Investment and Development from New York University.

**Debbie Gartenberg**

Debbie worked in banking for several years in Chicago, Phoenix, and New Jersey before becoming an entrepreneur in arts and crafts. She has since been an active volunteer in PTA positions and several community and religious organizations. Debbie graduated from Mount Holyoke College where she majored in Economics.

**Richard Goldman**

Rich heads the Real Estate Practice Group in the Princeton office of Drinker Biddle & Reath LLP. He serves on the board of trustees of numerous civic, charitable and educational institutions including Plan Smart NJ (Chair) and the D&R Greenway Land Trust. Rich holds an undergraduate degree from Rutgers University and a juris doctorate from Suffolk University Law School.

**Marilyn Grounds**

Marilyn is a full-time volunteer, philanthropist, community activist and fundraiser. Her primary commitment has been to causes that benefit women and children, and in particular, their opportunities for education. She has been a trustee of the Young Audiences (NJ affiliate) since 1983 and served as Chair from 1985-2009. Marilyn is a graduate of Columbia University.

**Eleanor Horne**

Eleanor retired in December 2009 as Vice President of ETS’s Social Investment Fund. Eleanor joined ETS in 1969, soon after graduating from Howard University, and led the Social Investment Fund since its inception in 2006. Eleanor serves on several boards including the Princeton Area Community Foundation, The College of New Jersey, and D&R Greenway.

**Peter Johnson**

Peteris the Vice President of Human Resources at NRG in the company’s Princeton, NJ headquarters. He sits on the President’s Leadership Council at Washington College (MD) and is the Treasurer and on the Board of St. Peter Lutheran Church in Hopewell. Peter received his undergraduate degree from Washington College with a double major in Drama and Business Management. He holds a Master’s in Public Administration with a concentration in Financial Management from Troy University (AL).

**Everett Kline**

Everett was a teacher and Assistant Superintendent in the South Orange and Maplewood School District for 31 years. Over the last twenty-one years, he has consulted with public and private schools, school districts, colleges, universities and state departments of education in over forty-five states and eleven foreign countries. He holds a B.A. from University of Chicago and MA from University of Pennsylvania.

**Stacy Mattia**

Stacy began her 25-year banking career at Corestates NJ National Bank, predecessor to Wachovia Bank, spent eight years with Chase Bank and is now senior vice President at OceanFirst Bank. Over her career, Stacy has volunteered with Eden Autism Services, American Heart Association, and Thomas Edison State College, among others. She is the immediate Past chair of the Board of the MidJersey Chamber of Commerce. Stacy earned a degree in economics from the University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign. Stacy is an avid photographer.

**Amy McHugh**

Amy graduated from Lafayette College in Easton, PA with a degree in Math/Computer Science and went to work for Andersen Consulting (now Accenture). After 10 years in the field of Information Technology, Amy left full-time employment to raise a family. She served as President of the Arts Council for Delbarton School in Morristown. Through the Big Brothers/Big Sisters organization, Amy is a mentor to a 10 year-old boy. Amy is an active volunteer at CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) of Morris/Sussex where she advocates for children in foster care.

**Barbara Moran**

In 2008, Barbara retired from the positions of Executive Director of the New Jersey State Museum and The New Jersey Cultural Trust. She is a current Trustee of the Geraldine R. Dodge Foundation where she chairs the Grants Committee and serves on the Governance Committee and the Poetry Festival Committee. Barbara received an undergraduate degree in theatre from Murray State University and a Master’s Degree in Theatre and Communications from Bowling Green State University.

**Amanda Newman-Godfrey**

Amandareceived her B.A. in Fine Arts and History of Art from Bryn Mawr College, and her M.A. with Certification in Art and Art Education at Teachers College Columbia University, where she is currently an ABD Doctoral Candidate. Amanda holds a Standard Certificate in Art K-12 and a School Administrator’s certificate in New Jersey. In 2014, she joined Moore College of Art and Design in Philadelphia as an Assistant Professor in Art Education.

**Bobbie Panfili**

Barbara (Bobbi) graduated from Notre Dame High School in Lawrenceville and then pursued degrees in education at The College of New Jersey – then Trenton State College. She holds a bachelor’s degree in Special Education, a master’s degree in Student Personnel Services, a master’s degree in Education Leadership and is certified in Elementary Education. She has been employed by the Hamilton Township School District for the last 35 years, spending the last 6 years as the proud principal of the George E. Wilson Elementary School.

**Steven Peskin**

Steve serves as the Senior Medical Director of Clinical Innovations at Horizon Healthcare Innovations. He is a Fellow of the American College of Physicians (ACP) and serves on the NJ ACP Governor’s Council. Steve holds an undergraduate degree from the University of North Carolina, a medical degree from Emory University School of Medicine and a MBA from MIT.

**Mary Reece**

Mary is the Director of Special Projects at the Foundation for Educational Administration (FEA). She has taught undergraduate and graduate courses at Rutgers University from which she has received her graduate degrees, and she has served as a mentor for many administrative interns. Mary is an active member of local, state and national education associations including the Montgomery Township Environmental Commission and Sustainable Montgomery.

**Belinda Roll**

Belinda is an avid volunteer and community contributor. She served on the Board of the Tewksbury Education Foundation and was active in creating its Cultural Arts Program. Her professional work experience includes global marketing for Fiduciary Trust International. Belinda was born in South Africa and educated in the United Kingdom.

**Steve Runk**

Steve is the Director of Communications for the Lewis Center for the Arts at Princeton University since 2011. Before Princeton, Steve spent 20 years on the staff of the New Jersey State Council on the Arts where he served as Executive Director from 2008-2011. Steve has also worked at Rutgers University in arts marketing and academic administration and as marketing manager for a larger architectural design firm. He is a *magna cum laude* graduate of Villanova University with a B.A. in Communications and a B.F.A. in Visual Arts.

**Michele Siekerka**

Michele is President of the New Jersey Business and Industry Association, the nation’s largest employer association representing over 20,000 member companies and 1.1 million employees. Prior to NJBIA, Michele was Deputy Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, and served as president and CEO of the Mercer Regional Chamber of Commerce. Michele graduated from Rutgers University with B.A. degrees in Political Science and German, and received her Juris Doctorate from Temple University School of Law.

**Willa Spicer**

Willa has worked in education in New Jersey for over fifty years and was one of the state’s leading authorities on assessment. She recently retired from her position as Deputy Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Education that which she held since 2007. Willa completed an undergraduate degree at Wellesley College and a graduate degree at the Harvard Graduate School of Education.

**Michelle Thompkins**

Michelleis a business leader, entrepreneur, career coach, and community volunteer. She has 25 years of Human Resources experience working with teams in Sales, Marketing, and R&D at Glaxosmithkline, Merck, Sanofi-Aventis, and Johnson & Johnson. In 2016, Michelle founded Praise Consulting and created a program called Jump Start that helps youth discover their best talents, skills, and interests to find a career they will love. Michelle is an active member of Trenton Area Stakeholders, Princeton Area Community Foundation - Fund for Women & Girls, and Bucks County Women’s Advocacy Coalition.

**M’lou Walker**

M’lou has been CEO of Matrixx Initiatives, the makers and marketers of the Zicam brand of cold remedy and respiratory products, since February 2012. M’lou was named one of the top 50 marketers by Advertising Age in 2007 and one of the top 25 marketers of 2008 by OTC Perspectives. The span of her work encompassed household names including Listerine, Benadryl, Zantac 75, e.p.t., and Lubriderm. As a volunteer, M’lou has been Vice President of the Board of Trustees at The Willow School, an independent PK-8 school in Gladstone, NJ, a member of the Miss Porter’s School Alumnae Board, and a member of the Vestry of St. Luke’s Church, Gladstone. She holds a B.A. in History from Yale University.

**Tiffani Warren**

Tiffaniis the Director of the Educational Opportunity Fund Program at The College of New Jersey. She volunteers with Brass Castle Elementary School PTA, Morris County Chapter of Jack and Jill of America, Warren/Sussex County NAACP, National Academic Advising Association (NACADA), and as a mentor with the Give Something Back Foundation. She holds a B.S. degree in Industrial Engineering from New Jersey Institute of Technology. She also earned a Master’s of Science degree in Management from Thomas Edison State University and is a student in the Rowan University Educational Leadership doctoral program.

**Sharon White**

Sharon has extensive experience in publishing and has been a contributing author for academic texts for Macmillan/McGraw Hill. She currently serves as Trustee of Passage Theatre. Sharon holds a Bachelor’s degree in Sociology from the University of Redlands and a Master’s degree with a specialization in Mathematics Education from Bank Street College of Education.

**Trustees on Leave**

**Arthur Factor**

Arthur is a retired pediatrician and an enthusiastic supporter of the arts. For several years, he was a member of the New Jersey State Council on the Arts (which is a state appointment by the governor) and worked on the Arts Education Committee. Arthur is a current member of the New Jersey Arts Education Partnership (NJEAP) Steering Committee. He received his medical degree from Georgetown University School of Medicine.

**Donald Strum**

Donaldhas been with Michael Graves Architecture & Design since 1984. He is a Principal at the firm. In 1997, he began a relationship with Target Stores. In 2005, after witnessing firsthand the issues Michael Graves was experiencing with an illness that left him paralyzed, Donald and the product design group made a commitment to transform healthcare design services for the aging and physically disabled population, as well as for the people who care for them. Donald and his product design group have brought over 2,000 consumer products to market over the past three decades.