



MINNESOTA
MUSEUM of
AMERICAN ART

Opportunity Announcement – Board and Community Members

The M (Minnesota Museum of American Art) is seeking to add members to its Board of Trustees and community members to its Board Committees.

The M is a St. Paul-based museum with a small, dedicated staff and a big mission: to explore American identities and experiences through art and creativity. A primarily visual arts museum, the M's exhibitions and programs are co-curated with M staff in collaboration with diverse partners, focusing on lived experiences and creativity of the many artists, cultures, and communities that have been historically, and continue to be, underrepresented by American museums. This model has developed organically and has fostered strong multi-year partnerships that benefit both the museum and its partners, as well as the people they serve.

Goals that have united civic, philanthropic, and artistic leaders and the community in support of the M include:

1. Preserving and engaging the public with the M's unique collection, which includes more than 5,000 artworks showcasing the diverse voices of American artists past and present with a focus on Minnesota artists;
2. Creating a new collaborative programming model suited to our times; and
3. Revitalizing downtown St. Paul by connecting the Rice Park/RiverCentre area to the Lowertown/Mears Park area

Over the past decade, the M and our partners have been on a journey that has:

1. Revived a largely dormant 127-year-old organization and adopted its mission to the contemporary needs of our communities;
2. Raised more than \$30 million in private and public investment;
3. Completed Phase 1 construction on our new home in the historic Pioneer Endicott building; and
4. Offered a series of innovative programs that showcase the M's essential value as a major cultural anchor for St. Paul and the region.

The M will begin a second and final phase of construction 2023, which will support a 2024 grand opening.

For more background on the organization, please see our [website](#) and [Community Report](#).

Opportunity Description—Board Member

Members of the Board of Trustees serve for a three-year term that begins in July 2023 and are expected to participate in all regular board meetings (approximately 6 per year) and serve on at least one board committee (Finance, Governance and Nominating, Collections, and IDEA). This is a volunteer position,

and no compensation is paid. Knowledge and expertise one of the following areas is preferred: art, law, human resources, art collecting, advocacy, museum management, fundraising, marketing, non-profit governance, finance and investment management, or other knowledge or experience beneficial to the museum and the furtherance of its mission, vision, and values, as may be determined by the M's Governance and Nominating Committee at the time of the nomination.

Opportunity Description—Community Member

Community members serve for a two-year term and bring needed skills to board committees (Finance, Governance and Nominating, Collections, and IDEA) to help them fulfill their purpose and work effectively. This is a volunteer position, and no compensation is paid.

Interested?

If you or someone you know is interested in serving on the M's Board of Trustees or as a Community Member, please send your resume to info@mmaa.org by April 30, 2023. Nominations will be determined in May for appointment to a term beginning on July 1, 2023. Thank you for your interest in supporting the M!