

Adjudication Panel

All eligible RCN applications will be independently reviewed and ranked by an advisory panel. Panelists are City of Newton employees and fellow professionals who are experienced in the arts discipline or type of grant being reviewed, and have a record of arts activities, experience, and knowledge. Each application will be reviewed and rated in accordance with the published review criteria. It is anticipated that applicants will be notified of the granting decision by December 31, 2021.

The following criteria are considered during the review of applications:

- Demonstrated negative impact to the organization due to COVID-19
- Significance of your request to the mission and core work of the organization
- Ability to carry out an award as shown by the alignment of the budget and other resources with the goals and requirements of this funding opportunity
- As appropriate, potential to have an immediate impact on the arts workforce
- As appropriate, the potential to serve and/or reach individuals whose opportunities to experience the arts are limited by race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, age, socioeconomic status, disability, other protected and important classes of people, and geography

Panel Members

Paula Gannon, Director Cultural Development

Danielle Moriarty, Associate Director Cultural Development

Hattie Kerwin Derrick, Director Community Engagement, and Inclusion

Glenda Fishman - with an MBA and strong interest in design and finance, Glenda has managed organizations in the arts, educational services, architecture, and retail for over 45 years. She recently ended her full-time career after 11 years at the Huntington Theatre Company. She

currently serves as Treasurer of the Board of the Lyric Stage Company of Boston and member of the Foundation Board of Codman Academy Public Charter School in Boston. Glenda is a lifelong resident of Newton, having graduated from Oak Hill Elementary, Meadowbrook Junior High and Newton South and is a proud mother of 2 and grandparent of 4, along with her husband, Bob.

Ted Kuklinski grew up in Philadelphia and has lived in Newton since 1981 with his wife Janet, and two children. He holds a BSEE from Drexel University and PhD from MIT in Computer Science and Electrical Engineering and is a retired computer scientist and inventor with an entrepreneurial career mostly in tech startups in the field of pattern recognition. He is a board member, past president, e-newsletter and video producer for Newton Conservators, a member of the city's Off-Leash Area Working Group, steward of Dolan Pond Conservation Area, and a founder of Friends of Wellington Park. Aside from being an avid birder and serious volleyball player, he is an amateur musician playing harmonica, guitar and ukulele with a long-term involvement with Music with Heart (bringing music to shelters in the Boston area), the City Hall Strummers and Watch City ukulele groups, and as a liturgical musician at Our Lady's (Newton) and the Paulist Center (Boston).