

Focus Group Participants

Major cultural organizations in the Urban Core and Northern Rhode Island

Thursday, October 30 from 10 am to 12 noon, Hosted by Providence Black Rep

Xander Marro, AS220
David Beauchesne, RI Philharmonic
Hope Alswang, RISD Museum
Donald King, Providence Black Rep
Michael Gennaro, Trinity Rep
Vanessa Gilbert, Perishable Theatre
Lisa LaDew, Festival Ballet
Kathleen Pletcher, Firstworks Prov
Aaron Jungels, Everett Dance Theatre
Allison McMillan, Providence Singers
Ana Marsden Fox, State Ballet of Rhode Island
Deb Meunier, Fusionworks Dance Company
Sebastian Ruth, Community Musicworks

Major cultural organizations in Southern Rhode Island and Aquidneck Island

Friday, October 31 from 10 am to 12 noon, Hosted by Redwood Library, Newport

Russell Maitland, Courthouse Center for the Arts
Aimee Turner, Theatre by the Sea Producing Director
Emma Palzere-Rae, Chorus of Westerly
Cheryl Helms, Redwood Library
Paul Cienniwa, Newport Baroque Orchestra
Jonathan Babbitt, Swanhurst Chorus
Cait Calvo, Firehouse Theatre
Sue Freda, Four Corners Art Center
Trudy Coxe, Newport Preservation Society
Lynne Collinson, 2nd Story Theatre

Community Cultural Groups Statewide

Thursday, November 6 from 10 am to 12 noon, Hosted by Mixed Magic Theater, Pawtucket

Berge Ara Zobian, Gallery Z, Gallery Night Providence
Valerie Tutson and Rochel Garner Coleman, RI Black Storytellers
Barnaby Evans and Mary Tinti, Waterfire
Russell Guisetti, Blackstone River Theatre
Elaine McKenna, Arts Exchange
Paula Most, Lifespan
Mike Ryan, RI Film Collaborative
Phil LoPiccolo, Fosteringarts
Bradley Fesmire, Riverzedge
Ricardo and Bernadette Pitz-Wiley, Mixed Magic Theater
Karen Bouchard, Artists' Exchange

Artists and Creative Workers in the Urban Core and Northern Rhode Island

Thursday, October 30 from 2 pm to 4 pm, Hosted by AS220

Anna Shapiro, artist
Len Cabral, storyteller
Elena Patino Calderon, artist

Cherry Arnold, film maker
Jonathan Mahone
Nicole Chesney, artist

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Friday, October 31 from 2 pm to 4 pm Hosted by Newport Art Museum

Beth Berry - ALN Southern Rep & theatre artist
Alexandra Broches, artist
Lisa Starr, State Poet (Block Island)
Marjorie Ball, artist
Nancy Gaucher-Thomas
Nancy Austin - artist, RISD professor
Peter Diepenbrock, sculptor
Anthony Ambrosino, film maker

Educators statewide

Thursday, November 6, from 3:30 to 5 pm., Hosted by Rhode Island Music School, East Providence

Debra Engel
Barbara Wong, CityArts for Youth
Laura Travis, Hope High School
Jason Yoon, New Urban Arts
Alexis Firsty, Highlander School
Karen Ostroff, West Bay Collaborative
Gene Dufault, Coventry High School
Bob Arsenault, Bristol-Warren High School
Annette Mozzoni and Christine Eldridge, The Music School

Partners and Allies in the Urban Core and Northern Rhode Island

Friday, November 7 from 10 am to 12 noon, Hosted by Rhode Island Council for the Humanities

Dan Baudouin, Providence Foundation
Martha Sheridan, Providence/Warwick Tourism
Sarah Zurier, RI Historic Preservation Commission
Daniel Kertzner, RI Foundation
Thomas Mann, President, Pawtucket Foundation
Ted Pepper, IO Labs
Anne Mulhall, casting director
Joe Garlick, Woonsocket Neighborhood Development Corp

Partners and allies in Southern Rhode Island and Aquidneck Island

Friday, November 7, from 2 pm to 4 pm, Hosted by Courthouse Center for the Arts, West Kingstown

Doug Norris, South County Independent, Art New England
Tom Perroti, Common Fence Music
John Parris, Cox Communications
Kathryn Taylor, Exec Dir, Westerly Public Library