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New 42 Appoints Tiffany Gardner, Sammy Lopez, Henry Tisch & Lucinda Zilkha to its Board of Directors







New York, NY (October 27, 2020) -- New 42 announces the addition of four new board members--**Tiffany Gardner, Sammy Lopez, Henry Tisch and Lucinda Zilkha**--who share in the cultural nonprofit's mission to make extraordinary performing arts a vital part of everyone's life from the earliest years onward.

"Joined by a commitment to impact future generations through the arts, these incredible individuals each bring invaluable insight and experiences that reflect how multifaceted New 42 has become," says Board Chairman **Fiona Rudin** (*Gun & Powder*, Producer). "At a critical time for the performing arts, both New 42 and its Board of Directors continue to expand and evolve to meet the needs of New York's cultural community."

Tiffany Gardner, current CEO of ReflectUS and co-founder of The One World Foundation of New York, advises on the intersection of social justice and inclusive democracy. Broadway producer **Sammy Lopez** (*Gun & Powder, Be More Chill*) brings theatrical marketing, social media strategy and producing experience. **Henry Tisch** of Disney Theatrical Group's creative development team brings a breadth of experience creating theater for young audiences. **Lucinda Zilkha**, a clinical social worker and psychotherapist, specializes in the treatment of

children and adolescents working through trauma and other challenges. Ms. Gardner and Ms. Zilkha are members of the nonprofit's New Victory Circle, a group of like-minded parents who value arts for young people and support the nonprofit.

In addition to Ms. Rudin as Chairman and **Russell Granet** as New 42 President & CEO, New 42 Board Officers include **Shahara Ahmad-Llewellyn** and **Marc A. Spilker** as Vice Chairs, **Stefanie Katz Rothman** as Secretary and **Andrew Sommers** as Treasurer. Comprised of 27 professionals spanning the industries of finance, education, media and the arts, New 42 Board membership is re-elected on an annual basis.

The New 42 Executive team additionally includes Lisa Lawer Post as Chief Operating Officer; Mary Rose Lloyd as Artistic Director; Elizabeth Cashour, Vice President, Development; Lindsey Buller Maliekel as Vice President, Education and Public Engagement; Courtney J. Boddie as Vice President, Education and School Engagement; Elizabeth Hines as Vice President, Finance; Lauren Fitzgerald as Vice President, Marketing & Communications; and Jessica Baker Vodoor, Vice President, Operations.

More About Tiffany Gardner

Ms. Gardner currently serves as CEO of ReflectUS, a nonpartisan coalition working to increase the number of women in office and achieve equal representation across the racial, ideological, ethnic, and geographic spectrum in the United States. Prior to joining ReflectUS, Ms. Gardner was the co-founder and Executive Director of The One World Foundation of New York--a non-profit organization whose mission is to develop and place youth from impoverished and under-represented backgrounds in international human rights and development service projects and prepare them for future leadership in both the public and private sectors. Ms. Gardner has also held positions at Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP, National Economic and Social Rights Initiative, World Monitors and European Commission with a focus on human rights and sustainability. Her commitment to social advocacy and matters related to equity and representation are highly commendable. Ms. Gardner earned a B.A. from Yale University and a J.D. from New York University School of Law. In addition, Ms. Gardner earned a LL.M. from Columbia University School of Law.

More About Sammy Lopez

Mr. Lopez is a theatre producer, director, & social media manager currently on the producing and social media team for The Old Vic's *A Christmas Carol*. Upcoming projects with Holtzman-Lopez Productions include *Gun & Powder*, *How To Dance In Ohio*, and *Bradical* (Zoom Edition now streaming on Broadway On Demand). Previously, he was a co-producer of *Be More Chill* and the associate producer of *Bandstand* on Broadway. Mr. Lopez is on the team at Marathon Digital managing the social media strategy for Broadway productions and he is the Chief Media Strategist of 10glo.com, a new website dedicated to promoting artists by removing traditional barriers of entry in theater. He is a proud graduate of Syracuse University, L.A. County High School for the Arts, a founding member of The Industry Standard Group (TISG), and a supporter of CO/LAB Theater Group, offering individuals with developmental disabilities a creative and social outlet through theater.

More About Henry Tisch

Mr. Tisch is a theater producer and a Creative Development professional at the Disney Theatrical Group. A lifelong New Yorker, Mr. Tisch grew up attending shows at the New Victory

and has remained committed to making theater more accessible to young audiences and more equitable for all. At Disney, Mr. Tisch is involved in the development of new works, many of which are created for young performers. Mr. Tisch also works with the Theatre Division at the New York Public Library for the Performing Arts and has led fundraising efforts for Robin Hood and Broadway for Biden. He received his Bachelor's degree in American Studies from Yale University.

More About Lucinda Zilkha

Ms. Zilkha is a clinical social worker and psychotherapist specializing in the treatment of children, adolescents and adults. In therapy, she helps clients to express themselves, clarify their emotions, and find ways to proactively cope with difficulties and achieve life goals. Ms. Zilkha specializes in helping children and adults work through past trauma, current challenges, and a range of emotional disturbances that disrupt functioning in daily life. Her training in child developmental psychology, psychoanalytically informed psychotherapy and clinical social work gives her a broad range of perspectives to draw from in treatment. Ms. Zilkha received her degree from NYU and has been in practice for 10 years.

About New 42

Under the leadership of President & CEO Russell Granet, New 42 is a cultural nonprofit whose mission is to make extraordinary performing arts a vital part of everyone's life from the earliest years onward. Driven by a deep commitment to performing arts access, New 42 connects people to world-class performances, essential education and employment programs, and creative communities that push culture forward. Through New Victory and New 42 Studios, the nonprofit serves artists, educators and New Yorkers of all ages with invaluable arts engagement and resources in and beyond the performing arts. Together with our supporters, New 42 opens new perspectives, incubates new works and creates new opportunities to move us all.

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