

EARSHOTJAZZ

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Board of Directors Application Form

Thank you for your interest in serving on the Board of Earshot Jazz. We honor jazz as a vital Black American art form through live performance, artist advocacy, and community engagement. Please complete each section carefully.

Personal Information

Name

Address

Home Phone/Mobile Phone

Email Address

Preferred Method of Contact

Employer & Position

Field of Business/Industry

Motivation & Mission Connection

Why do you want to serve on the Earshot Jazz Board? Please share what excites you about our mission, how you connect personally or professionally to Earshot's mission and/or programs, and what you hope to contribute to the board as well as what you hope to gain from the experience.

Volunteer & Leadership Experience

List your past and present leadership roles (boards, committees, task forces, civic or community involvement). Describe your role and responsibilities, approximate years of service, and any committee involvement and/or leadership roles held.

Skills/Expertise

Please check the areas of knowledge you bring.

Finance (budgeting, investments, nonprofit financial planning)
 Governance (board service, organizational policy, compliance)
 Strategy & Planning (long-term direction, organizational growth)
 Fundraising (major donors, corporate sponsors, foundations)
 Marketing & Communications (audience development, media, PR, digital engagement)
 Legal (contracts, nonprofit law, compliance, risk management)
 Event Planning
 Arts Administration / Nonprofit Leadership
 Public Policy / Advocacy
 Education / Community Engagement
 Technology / IT

Fundraising & Financial Commitment

Earshot Jazz relies on active board leadership in fundraising. Board members agree to:

- Introduce Earshot Jazz to potential donors and sponsors
- Act as ambassadors within your networks
- Support fundraising events and campaigns
- Make an annual personal gift of at least \$1,000 and assist in identifying additional sources of support

How do these expectations align with or diverge from your understanding of board member fundraising & financial commitment expectations?

Time Commitment

Board service requires approximately 5–10 hours per month, including:

- Monthly Board Meetings (12 per year)
- Committee Participation (at least one active committee)
- Annual Retreat (one full day)
- Participation in major events (festival, benefit concert, donor receptions)

Do you anticipate any challenges in fulfilling these commitments?

Attach your most recent resume and email your application with subject line “Board Recruitment” to info@earshot.org. Or, send to Earshot by mail, Attn: Board Recruitment.