

ARTS AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS ADVISORY COUNCIL

MMRB Liaison: Randy Ross, (407) 401-4409

MISSION

Studies potential uses of the Tourist Development Tax revenues and recommend allocation of county funding for arts and cultural affairs.

STATUS OF VACANCIES

There are two vacancies on this 13-member board in the City of Orlando representative category and the United Arts of Central Florida representative category due to the final term expirations of Tiffany I. Sanders and Nathan W. Hill.

THE MMRB RECOMMENDS:

Consideration of the appointment of Elizabeth Gwinn to succeed Nathan W. Hill in the United Arts of Central Florida representative category with a term expiring June 30, 2027.

APPLICANT

OCCUPATION

DISTRICT

Elizabeth Gwinn

BG Impact/Principal

5

SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS:

Elizabeth Gwinn: Ms. Gwinn is the principal of BG Impact, where she has been employed for four years. She holds a bachelor's degree from the University of Central Florida. She is a member of the United Arts of Central Florida Board of Directors.

CURRENT BOARD

	<u>ORIGINAL APPOINTMENT</u>	<u>TERM EXPIRES</u>	<u>DISTRICT</u>
<u>Mayor</u>			
Barbara B. Chandler	03/11/25	06/30/26	5
<u>District 1</u>			
Jennifer Benton	08/08/23	06/30/26	1
<u>District 2</u>			
Brendan Lynch	05/07/24	06/30/26	5
<u>District 3</u>			
Roberto Gonzalez	09/22/20	06/30/26	3
<u>District 4</u>			
Stephanie Lerret	09/13/22	06/30/26	4
<u>District 5</u>			
David Forrest	11/19/24	06/30/26	5
<u>District 6</u>			
Nattacha P. Wyllie	07/12/22	06/30/26	6
<u>University of Central Florida</u>			
Paul F. Lartonoix	06/04/24	06/30/27	5
<u>City of Orlando</u>			
Tiffany I. Sanders	04/13/21	06/30/25	5
<u>United Arts of Central Florida, Inc.</u>			
Nathan W. Hill	06/08/21	06/30/25	5
<u>Tourist Development Council</u>			
Quibulah Graham	11/19/24	06/30/27	6
<u>At Large</u>			
John Hall	06/03/25	06/30/27	5
<u>County Commissioner</u>			
Commissioner Nicole Wilson	08/26/25	06/30/27	

Advisory Board Application for Appointment

Date: 7/18/2025

Application Number: 95062

Application Expires: 7/18/2027

Name: Ms. Elizabeth Gwinn

Business Address:

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Winter Park, FL 32789

Home Address:

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Winter Park, FL 32789

Mail Address:

1501 Orange Avenue
Winter Park, FL 32789

Email Address: Betsy@bgimpact.com

Home Telephone Number:

(407) 923-2253

Work Telephone Number:

Not Listed

Employer: BG Impact

Job Title: Principal

Years Employed: 4

Education:

School: University of Central Florida

Degree: BA

Boards of Interest:

Arts and Cultural Affairs Advisory Council

Licenses and Certificates: Professional Fundraising Consultant

Issue Date: 2/18/2020

Issuing Authority: State of Florida

Disciplinary Action: Not Listed

From: Not Listed

To: Not Listed

Personal History: I am a seasoned nonprofit executive with a deep passion for the arts and strengthening the nonprofit sector to improve the broader community. In 2022, I launched BG Impact, a consultancy dedicated to supporting nonprofits through strategic planning, leadership coaching, governance, fundraising and interim leadership. My work is grounded in decades of experience and a commitment to helping mission-driven organizations thrive. In 2024, I transitioned from an interim role into the Co-Executive Director position at The Kitchen House, sharing leadership with Sara Elliott. This role has expanded my expertise into the fields of food systems, health, and sustainability—broadening my understanding of the intersection between community wellness and nonprofit impact. Importantly, the shared leadership model allows me to continue serving a diverse portfolio of BG Impact clients. Before founding my firm, I served for over 15 years as Executive Director of the Bach Festival Society of Winter Park, where I led nationally significant collaborations, secured millions in philanthropic support, and elevated the organization's national reputation through strategic audience development and brand marketing. My leadership brought the Society into new eras of administrative professionalism and community engagement. More recently, I served as Interim Executive Director at Orlando Shakes and as a Leadership Coach with the Edyth Bush Institute for Philanthropy and Nonprofit Leadership's "Empowering Good" program. An active civic leader, I recently served on the Winter Park Public Art Advisory Board and the Orange County Arts and Cultural Affairs Advocacy Committee. I completed nonprofit leadership programs through the Georgetown University Center for Public Policy and Nonprofit Leadership, the Edyth Bush Institute at Rollins College, and the DeVos Institute for Arts Management.

Prior Relationship with County: No

Explain Prior Relationship: Not Listed

Reference: Chris Brown

Phone Number: (203) 809-1716

Capacity/ Relationship: Colleagues

Reference: Paul Twyford

Phone Number: (407) 929-7985

Capacity/ Relationship: Friend and colleague

Reference: Aimee Spencer

Phone Number: (407) 432-0970

Capacity/ Relationship: Friend and neighbor

Professional Organizations: United Arts of Central Florida Board of Directors

From: 2025

To: current

Professional Organizations: Winter Park Public Art Advisory Board

From: 2022

To: 2024

Orange County Resident: Yes

Resident Since: 1993

Registered Voter: Yes

District: Orange County District 5

Previously Served On: Unlisted

Year Previously Served: Unlisted

Disabled: No

Current Applicants for the Arts and Cultural Affairs Advisory Council as of 8/1/2025

Name	District/County	Application Date
Acquah, Wisdom Kwame	Orange County District 1	5/7/2025
Aguirre, Diana	Orange County District 2	2/12/2025
Andrews, Ameeta T.	Orange County District 6	8/22/2024
Banks, Alycia C.	Orange County District 5	1/8/2025
Bellizio, Anthony Tadeo	Orange County District 5	11/13/2024
Byers, James "Chip"	Orange County District 1	1/5/2025
Camacho-Viera, Mac	Orange County District 3	1/8/2024
Coffy, Deborah	Orange County District 2	10/17/2023
Colon, Gil	Orange County District 5	8/14/2024
Cover, Frank	Lake County	7/24/2025
Crown, Kathleen M.	Orange County District 3	8/14/2024
David, Thomas R.	Orange County District 5	10/10/2023
Durant, Christopher	Orange County District 2	1/12/2024
Gay, Aminah A.	Orange County District 6	5/23/2024
Gonzalez Galeano, Victor G.	Orange County District 4	2/9/2024
Graham, Germaine	Orange County District 2	12/11/2023
Gwinn, Elizabeth Harris	Orange County District 5	7/15/2024
Gwinn, Elizabeth	Orange County District 5	7/18/2025
Johnson, Darrell	Orange County District 4	1/9/2024
King, Charles R.	Seminole County	7/22/2025
Lang, Ydalmis	Orange County District 3	6/24/2025
Lewis, Aaron E.	Orange County District 5	11/2/2024
Martinez, Kassandrah	Orange County District 5	11/1/2023
Miller, Terrence	Orange County District 6	1/9/2025
Ofodile, Dawn	Orange County District 5	8/1/2025

Palmer, Anika	Orange County District 1	12/10/2024
Rivera, Marcelino	Orange County District 6	12/7/2024
Saavedra, Maria Fernanda	Orange County District 1	4/14/2025
Sadiq, Zoe C.	Orange County District 2	7/13/2024
Tao, Yifan "Jack"	Orange County District 1	11/26/2024
Teel, Sade N.	Orange County District 5	1/13/2025
Thomas, Michael Blair	Orange County District 5	12/1/2023
Vargas, Jennifer J.	Orange County District 1	6/24/2024
Washington, Nichole L.	Orange County District 6	5/20/2025
White, Jake	Orange County District 4	4/11/2024
Whitely, Patsy	Orange County District 2	12/16/2024
Whittemore, Alan D.	Orange County District 4	8/14/2024
Wyatt, Paula	Orange County District 1	12/27/2023