FIVE COLORADO NONPROFIT LEADERS SELECTED FOR 2016 LIVINGSTON FELLOWSHIP

Unique investment by the Bonfils-Stanton Foundation supports advanced learning and development for promising nonprofit leaders

DENVER, CO (May 2, 2016) – Bonfils-Stanton Foundation is proud to announce the selection of the 2016 Livingston Fellows. The Livingston Fellowship Program provides grants of $25,000 to give promising nonprofit leaders the opportunity for advanced study, research, and professional development.

Since 2005, the Bonfils-Stanton Foundation has funded 55 nonprofit executive fellowships. The Fellows have traveled nationally and internationally, attended elite academic programs, met with prominent leaders in their fields, and championed causes including homelessness, aging, mental health and the arts.

"This year's Livingston Fellows are an extraordinary group of diverse leaders already making a profound difference in our community and this program gives them an opportunity to elevate their leadership to a new level. They are joining a cohort of senior Fellows who have become a learning community that is greater than the sum of its parts - supporting each other and exemplifying collective impact," says Gary Steuer, President and CEO of Bonfils-Stanton Foundation.

Meet the 2016 Livingston Fellows:

Terrell Curtis, Executive Director, The Delores Project
Jami Duffy, Executive Director, Youth on Record
Andrea Kalivas Fulton, Deputy Director and CMO, Denver Art Museum
Francisco “Cisco” Gallardo, Program Director, Gang Rescue and Support Project
Michael Niyompong, Chief Operating Officer, Clayton Early Learning

FOR THE MEDIA: Interview the 2016 Livingston Fellows or CEO of Bonfils-Stanton Foundation, Gary Steuer. The Livingston Fellowship is all about building leaders for Colorado’s phenomenal communities. The feel-good stories attached to the Livingston Fellowship Program will be loved by your viewers and readers. Contact Erica Boniface at 303-717-8246 or e-mail Erica@ColoradoMediaNetwork.com to get an interview booked today.
Get to Know the 2016 Livingston Fellows:

Terrell Curtis: The Delores Project is Denver’s largest provider of overnight shelter and transitional services for unaccompanied women and transgender individuals experiencing homelessness. Prior to beginning her tenure at The Delores Project in 2007, she served for eight years as Director of Communications at The Gathering Place, a drop-in daytime center for women and children experiencing homelessness and poverty. Terrell currently serves on Mayor Michael Hancock’s Commission to Address Homelessness and was invited in 2015 to participate in a stakeholder group to advise Mayor Hancock on the development and deployment of a sustainable affordable housing fund. During 2015, Terrell led The Delores Project’s efforts to meet the critical need for low-income housing in Denver by redeveloping its real estate and expanding its programs to include permanent supportive housing for formerly chronically homeless individuals. In the past she has served on the board of Community Shares of Colorado and currently is a board member with the Harm Reduction Action Center. Terrell completed her Bachelor of Arts in Art History from the University of Colorado, Boulder and is an alumna of the 2009 Class of the Denver Community Leadership Forum, a program of the School of Public Affairs at University of Colorado, Denver.

Jami Duffy: Jami Duffy joined Youth on Record in 2009, and has since provided the strategic direction, operational management and fundraising expertise that has led to consistent growth, national brand recognition and the opening of a media studio. She spearheaded the organization’s $2M capital campaign to build the nation’s first state-of-the-art Youth Media Studio, which is now open 6 days per week to youth throughout metro Denver. Jami is a locally and nationally recognized thought-leader and innovator in social justice education and engaging at-risk youth. She has served on panels before the National Endowment for the Arts, and the U.S. Department of Labor, among others, and is a sought-after expert on youth development and mentoring for Denver's most vulnerable young people. She is a Political Science and Journalism Studies graduate of the University of Denver, and a Peace Corps Volunteer, serving in Nicaragua from 2004-2006. When she returned to Denver, she met Jamie Laurie, lead singer of the band Fllobots, who told her about Youth on Record (formerly Fllobots.org), a nonprofit the band had formed that taught kids about music and art. Within a few weeks, she joined the board and became its Executive Director. Jami is fluent in Spanish and currently sits on the Board of Levitt Pavilion Denver as an ex-officio member.

Andrea Kalivas Fulton: As the deputy director and chief marketing officer for the Denver Art Museum, Andrea is responsible for the Museum’s earned revenue strategies, including marketing and communications, as well as government affairs and strategic partnerships. She joined the Museum in 2001 as a public relations specialist focusing on traveling exhibitions and art-related programs. From 2001 to 2006, she led the communication effort for the Museum’s Daniel Libeskind-designed expansion project including local, national and international media relations,
marketing and community programs. Prior to joining the Denver Art Museum, Fulton worked at Ogilvy Public Relations in Denver. Fulton was an inaugural member of the Downtown Denver Partnership’s Emerging Leaders program and a graduate of 2015 class of Leadership Denver. Following her participation in Leadership Denver, Andrea developed an in-house leadership development program—the first of its kind at the Museum. She serves on the Leadership Advisory Committee for the Colorado Nonprofit Association and as a member of the steering committee for the Golden Triangle neighborhood plan. She has participated in numerous civic efforts including the Civic Center Transit Stakeholder committee and the Next Stage effort to reimagine the Denver Performing Arts Complex.

**Francisco “Cisco” Gallardo:** In his teen years, Francisco “Cisco” Gallardo joined what has been one of the largest gangs in Denver’s north side. Since that time, after facing a possible 48 years in prison, he has dedicated his life to undoing the damage he helped cause. By redefining respect, power and pride and making a commitment to help the youth heal, he has helped countless young people, over the past 20 years, to redefine their own lives through his work in the community. His exceptional leadership capacity is illustrated by his transformation from gang member to receiving the Swanee Hunt Individual Leadership Award from The Denver Foundation. Cisco has worked as a community builder committed to unity, cultural pride and confronting issues that disproportionately affect the youth he serves. He is a locally and nationally recognized leader and figure in the work of youth empowerment and gang prevention. Cisco is a member of in the Gang Reduction Initiative of Denver and served on the Mayor’s Police Review Task Force, and the LA RAZA Youth Conference Board. He is the recipient of the Newsed/SFRC Civil Rights Award and the Hispanic Spot Light Award. Cisco is also the founder and editor of several alternative youth focused magazines and is currently publishing podcasts that focus on healing and anti-violence.

**Michael Niyompong:** The Denver-based Clayton Early Learning is Colorado’s leading catalyst in providing access to high-quality early care and education. Prior to joining Clayton Early Learning, Michael was vice president at Rebound Solutions, a socially conscious firm specializing in strategy, change management and turn-around solutions. He was also part of the leadership team at iGivefirst, a Colorado startup, and was the executive responsible for technology and facilities at Mile High United Way. Michael earned his BS in electrical and computer engineering from the University of Colorado Boulder and his MBA in finance and MS in operations management from the Daniels College of Business at the University of Denver. While at DU, he served as co-president of the Daniels chapter of Net Impact, a worldwide nonprofit organization dedicated to using the power of business to expand corporate social responsibility. Michael is active on the boards of the Denver Metro Chamber Leadership Foundation, the Colorado Nonprofit Development Center, as well as the Community Advisory Board at Rocky Mountain PBS. Michael is a graduate of Leadership Denver Class of 2011 and in 2013 was recognized as one of Denver Business Journal’s Forty under 40. Michael is a Colorado native, born in Denver. He is fluent in both Thai and English.
About Bonfils-Stanton Foundation’s Livingston Fellowship Program:
The Livingston Fellowship Program provides advanced learning opportunities to promising nonprofit leaders who hold significant leadership roles in Colorado’s nonprofit sector. This innovative professional development program reflects our belief that no investment in the tangible assets of a nonprofit organization can equal an investment in its greatest asset—its leaders. The Livingston Fellowship Program is named in honor of Johnston R. Livingston, a long-time Trustee, Chairman and later Chairman Emeritus of the Foundation. John passed away in September 2008, but his passion for innovation, entrepreneurism, and creativity continues to inspire each class of Livingston Fellows.

Fellows are selected on the basis of exceptional leadership ability, promise for significant and unique contributions to the nonprofit sector, and the potential for the Fellowship experience to enable them to move from “success to significance” as leaders of people, organizations and the nonprofit sector.

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