

Bonfils-Stanton Foundation Announces Two New Trustees

The Foundation Welcomes Dr. Nita Mosby Tyler and Michael E. Bock to Board of Directors

Denver, CO (April 25, 2018) – Denver-based Bonfils-Stanton Foundation is proud to announce the appointments of two new board members, Dr. Nita Mosby Tyler, Chief Catalyst and Founder of *The Equity Project, LLC*; and Michael E. Bock, Managing Director of *Petrie Partners*.

“Dr. Nita Mosby Tyler and Michael Bock bring with them incredible love for the community, passion for the arts, and enthusiasm for the Foundation’s vision,” says Bonfils-Stanton Foundation CEO and President, Gary Steuer. “We are thrilled to have their leadership and experience on our team and we look forward to benefiting from their fresh perspectives and new voices around the table.”

The announcement exemplifies Bonfils-Stanton Foundation’s commitment to Denver’s arts and cultural communities by cultivating exceptional leaders and supporting organizations that demonstrate artistic excellence, which is facilitated by having a strong and thoughtful board of trustees.

“I believe in serving on boards where I feel aligned with the mission and where I can add value in both the pursuit and continuing evolution of that mission,” says Michael Bock. Besides his love for the arts, and experience in board service, Bock brings strong investment expertise to the Board. Mosby Tyler also brings a passion for the arts and extensive management and trustee experience, as well as great leadership around issues of equity. “I am serving on the Bonfils-Stanton Foundation Board as a means to honor the importance of intersectionality as we work towards advancing systems of equity. I don’t think it is wise for us to continue exploring lived experiences in silos. Art is an integral part of diversity and has everything to do with every other part of diversity,” says Dr. Mosby Tyler.

Michael E. Bock is a Managing Director of Petrie Partners, an investment bank specializing in the energy industry. Prior to co-founding Petrie Partners in 2011, Mike was a Managing Director of Bank of America Merrill Lynch in the Global Energy & Power Investment Banking Group. He joined the firm as part of Merrill Lynch's acquisition of Petrie Parkman & Co. in 2006. At Petrie Parkman, he served as Head of Corporate Finance and as a member of the firm's Board of Directors. Mike earned his B.A. degree, cum laude, in American History and Literature from Harvard University in 1987. He is a CFA charter holder and is a member of the CFA Institute and the Denver Society of Securities Analysts. Mike has served on the Board of Directors of Opera Colorado since 2011, including a 3-year term as Chairman from 2014-2017. Mike was raised in Denver and has witnessed the dramatic expansion in the number and quality of arts and cultural offerings in the city.

Dr. Nita Mosby Tyler is the Chief Catalyst and Founder of *The Equity Project, LLC* – an organization designed to support organizations and communities in building diversity, equity and inclusion strategies and *The HR Shop, LLC* - a boutique human resources firm designed to support non-profits and small businesses. She is the former Senior Vice President and Chief Inclusion Officer for Children’s Hospital Colorado – the first African American woman to hold that position in the organization’s 100+ year history. She is also the former Executive Director of the Office of Human Resources for the City and County of Denver – the first African American woman to hold that position in the 63+ year history of the agency. Dr. Mosby Tyler, a consultant accredited by the Georgetown University National Center for Cultural Competence, is nationally recognized for her equity work with non-profit, community, government and corporate organizations. Dr. Mosby Tyler holds a doctorate in the field of Organizational Leadership, a Master of Arts degree in Management and a Bachelor of Science degree in Education.

About the Bonfils-Stanton Foundation:

Every day, Bonfils-Stanton Foundation strategically invests in imagination and innovation, because cultivating the creative spark is vital to making our community an exciting place where people want to live, work and thrive. Since its founding, the Foundation has distributed over \$69 million in charitable contributions. Learn more at Bonfils-StantonFoundation.org.

###