



Board of Directors Open Call 2022

At Boston Music Project (BMP), our mission is to ensure the long-term social-emotional and musical success of children and youth by nurturing creativity, celebrating cultures, and developing civic engagement through quality music education and performance. Founded in 2011, BMP is inspired by El Sistema, the Venezuelan program that uses intensive, joyful, and ensemble-based music instruction as a vehicle for social change. For more information, go to www.bostonmusicproject.org.

The Board of Directors has openings for one or more members (directors) who can contribute positively to our mission. We seek to build a diverse Board of Directors that represents the Boston community that we operate in and benefits from a wide range of perspectives, backgrounds, and abilities. We are seeking candidates who can bring new insights and connections to our organization.

Board Member Qualifications

- Commitment to *El Sistema's* philosophy of advancing social change through music
- Strong interpersonal, organizational, and communication skills
- A natural affinity for cultivating relationships and persuading, convening, facilitating, and building consensus among various individuals
- Integrity, credibility, and a passion for improving the lives of children
- Knowledge and/or experience in one of the following: management, development/fundraising, nonprofit strategy, accounting, education/youth development, music programs, legal, leadership, civic engagement, or other areas that would benefit the organization.

Board Member Responsibilities

- Serve as an ambassador of the organization by engaging your networks and developing relationships with funders, partners, and other stakeholders, and work to identify, cultivate, and steward individual donors, corporations, and/or foundations in partnership with the Executive Director.
- Attend monthly 1.5 hour board meetings at Josiah Quincy Elementary School (885 Washington Street) during the school calendar year (September - June), usually on weekday evenings. Due to the pandemic, meetings are currently held virtually (via Zoom). Members are expected to attend all meetings, unless there are acute extenuating circumstances.
- Serve on at least one standing board committee, such as Fundraising/Development, Nominating, or Programming. Committees meet monthly for 1 hour. Total number of meeting/volunteer hours is approximately 4-5 per month.
- Attend and/or volunteer at several fundraising events and performances throughout the year
- "Give or Get" \$1,500 annually for the organization. This can occur through facilitating donations from friends/companies, or through a personal donation. BMP is a non-profit, 501(c)3 so all donations are tax-deductible.

Make the world a better, more musical place! Bring your knowledge, energy, and expertise to the table!

If you are interested in joining our board, please take a moment to complete our online interest form, which asks for a brief statement and a 1-page resume. [Click here to complete the form](#) and we will be in touch within 48 hours.