

Linda Harrison appointed Director of the Newark Museum

The Newark Museum Board of Trustees has appointed Linda Harrison as its new Director and Chief Executive Officer. Harrison will lead New Jersey's largest museum, home to one of the most internationally respected global collections, effective January 2019. She will be the Museum's eighth director, succeeding Steven Kern who left his position in 2017.

According to Board Co-Chairs Clifford Blanchard and Christine Gilfillan, Harrison comes to the Museum with more than 20 years of leadership experience in both the for-profit and non-profit sectors. She has been Director and CEO of the Museum of the African Diaspora (MoAD), San Francisco, CA since 2013.

Harrison holds a BA in Mass Communications from Loyola University of Chicago, and she is a Getty



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Foundation Executive District and San Francisco Leadership Institute Fellow. Travel Visitors & Prior to joining MoAD, she founded two San Francisco businesses, and worked as a Vice President for Eastman Kodak, along with other Fortune 500 companies. As a culture leader in San Francisco, Harrison, was just decorated by the San Francisco Business Times as one of the Most Influential Women in Bay Area Business. Harrison sits on the boards of Yerba Buena Community Business

Convention Bureau, as well as National Program Committee for American Alliance of Museums and Joyce Awards Jury, The Joyce Foundation.

Harrison has garnered awards for her work on behalf of the Yerba Buena Arts district in San Francisco. She is also a recipient of the 2017 Arts and Culture award from San Francisco's Commission on the Status of Women.

