



# Voter's Guide and Voting Instructions for the 2021 Miami Local Election

July 16, 2021

Please note that the candidates have been requested to provide statements for this brochure in accordance with rules outlined in the SAG-AFTRA Constitution and the Nominations and Election Policy ("Guidelines"). Photos and statements for Convention Delegate positions are not permitted.

If a candidate for any office is unopposed, the candidate shall be declared elected without the necessity of a membership vote.

Please note that the following candidates ran unopposed and will be installed in office on September 2, 2021:

**Local Board Members - Central Florida** - Carol C. Bailey, Adam Vernier;

**Alternate Local Board Members-at-Large** - Barry Brandt, Robyn Cohen and Michael Dean Walker



## IMPORTANT!

Before marking your ballot, please read the "Voting Instructions" on back of this guide.  
Following these instructions assures that your vote will be cast properly.

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## PRESIDENT / 2 YEAR TERM

VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN ONE (1)



### 01 / JOHN M. MCKARTHY

It's been an honor to serve as your current President of the SAG-AFTRA Miami Local. Even in a pandemic, as president, I was able to provide unemployment, safe sets and other health resources to help navigate through these difficult times. With my strong, already established local and national union relationships, I plan to provide better education, better resources, and more access to jobs than ever before. I humbly ask you to reelect me as president and I will continue to get the job done. Vote for JOHN MCKARTHY. I will deliver for you.



### 02 / MEMO SAUCEDA

No Statement

## VICE PRESIDENT / 2 YEAR TERM

VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN ONE (1)



### 03 / ELLEN WACHER

No Statement



### 04 / CAROL C. BAILEY

I have had the honor of serving on the Miami Local Board for the past 4 years. I am running for the SAG-AFTRA **Miami Local Vice President and Convention Delegate** in order to be more involved as an advocate for my fellow brothers and sisters, especially those in Central Florida. I have spent many years listening to the concerns of my fellow performers and know the importance of them knowing that they are being heard. I had the opportunity, before the shut down, to host Classes with Industry Professionals as well as meetings and gatherings in and around the Orlando area for members and their families.

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## SECRETARY / 2 YEAR TERM

VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN ONE (1)



### 05 / CARMEN LOPEZ

Brothers and sisters of SAG-AFTRA, I want to be your advocate on the Local Board as Secretary, South Florida Board member and Convention-delegate. As a working actor in TV, Film, and commercials, I experience industry challenges first-hand and will continue to work tirelessly to address them. We must put a stop to Rule One violations and get the word out to agents and members that it's never all right to work off the card. Education and enforcement are key elements to successful organizing and growth. Help me help our Local Board protect our work and benefits. Thank you for your support!

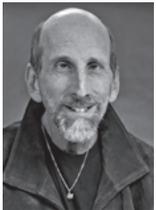


### 06 / BARRY BRANDT

No local and national coverage for Background Actors in Theatrical & TV contracts, wasting \$6 Million annually on renting versus purchasing the National Headquarters, lowballed New Media contracts, P&H limitations, no state film incentives, and no Rehabilitation & Retirement Facility to care for and assist our sick, injured, disabled, and senior members are a short list of issues that affect all Members. Currently formulating and preparing three Convention Resolutions for the Convention, and would greatly appreciate and cherish the opportunity to continue to represent, serve, voice, advocate, organize, rally, and fight for our rights both locally and nationally.

## LOCAL BOARD MEMBER (SOUTH FLORIDA) / 2 YEAR TERM

VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN FOUR (4) – *CONTINUED ON NEXT PAGE*



### 07 / STEVE GLADSTONE

After receiving the prestigious 2019 Union Spirit Award, Miami Local's highest honor, it struck me how you had put your trust in me for many years. Now I'm here to return that trust. Having served 15 years as your SAG / SAG-AFTRA Miami Local President and on several National Committees, I've seen the union through a wide lens. With your vote, I'm ready to continue to serve you as a South Florida Board Member and Convention Delegate, focused on boosting auditions and work for Local Members, historically underrepresented women, senior actors, performers of color, performers with disabilities and LGBTQ performers.



### 08 / SETH HARRIS

I am a lifelong actor, dancer, and choreographer. I am based in South Florida and appeared in countless national commercials and performance television shows. As an experienced dancer, I pride myself on fighting for the working rights of professional dancers, choreographers and performers. I am a passionate advocate in my industry. I seek to always shine the light on local talent and work hard to give them the break that they deserve.



### 09 / TAMARA JONES

Hello Awesome Actors! **I respectfully ask for your vote.** I believe we can make our union better through Action, Accessibility, and Actors. I believe in our collective power, and that we need to be ready for when business comes back to Florida. My credentials are built upon previous SAG Board Service, many years of SAG-AFTRA work under every contract, as a real estate business professional, a producer, earning a fully vested SAG-AFTRA pension, and a servant leadership style. Feel free to contact me with any questions you have. **Thank you!**



### 10 / LAUREL LEVEY

I'm Laurel Levey, actress and filmmaker. I'm currently serving my 6th consecutive year as Board Member, Convention Delegate, and serve honorably as Chair of our Reinstatement Obligations & Review Committee. I'm actively producing Union films, contributing to help keep us employed in Florida. I am an intense visionary, highly motivated, and a conscientious team player. I fluently speak Hebrew and darn good Spanish. I would be honored to merit your vote and continue advocating whole-heartedly for you and for our greater good. Want to know more about me? Follow me on Instagram at LaurelKLevey. In solidarity!

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VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN FOUR (4) – *CONTINUED*



### 11 / CARMEN LOPEZ

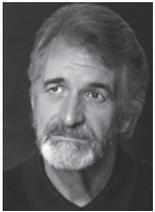
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### 12 / KELLY VAUGHN

29-year SAG-AFTRA member working in front and behind the camera in Los Angeles, New Orleans, Atlanta, Miami Locals and internationally, now making my home in Florida. I want to work on FL film tax incentives to bring work back to our Miami Local members; wall-to-wall, national BG/Stand-in coverage under **ALL** union contracts - no more exclusions; equitable Pension & Retirement Plans with no more split earnings; stronger negotiations; and a return to the basics of organizing, negotiating, enforcing our contracts so that we can again have a union we can be proud of!

*Please support me with your vote!*



### 13 / DAVE COREY

SAG-AFTRA Convention 2015. Friday, October 2nd was one of the proudest nights of my life. As a recipient of the George Heller Memorial Award, I stood shoulder to shoulder with three SAG-AFTRA Patriots: President Ken Howard, National Executive Director David White, and Assistant National Executive Director Mathis Dunn. My years of service to SAG-AFTRA and its predecessor unions date back to 1983. With almost 40 years of service to my unions, my institutional memory runs deep, and my eye to the future is clear. I look forward to representing you! Thanks for your time and your vote.

## LOCAL BOARD MEMBER (PUERTO RICO) / 2 YEAR TERM

VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN ONE (1)



### 14 / JAIME IRIZARRY

No Statement



### 15 / JOSETTE PAGAN

Dear SAG-AFTRA family, As a Puerto Rican actress and author living in Puerto Rico, I have been exposed to and understand many of the needs and challenges of our community. With over 25 years of experience also off-camera as a communications, crisis management, social advocacy/public policy and business innovation strategist, I want to be a voice that serves my community. As a member of the Miami Local Board representing Puerto Rico and as a Convention Delegate, I am committed to standing up for your rights and working as a team with other colleagues to contribute with opportunities that promote growth, equality, safety and more jobs for the talent that we represent. I would be

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## LOCAL BOARD MEMBER-AT-LARGE / 2 YEAR TERM

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### 16 / KEVIN DEAN-HACKETT

I'm Kevin Dean-Hackett and I'm running as Miami Local Member at Large. I serve on several Miami committees and the National Background Committee. Expanding Background nationally has been my priority during convention and TV/Theatrical contract negotiations. I've attended Film Florida meetings and have travelled to West Coast Film Festivals where I've touted union membership, local government and statewide incentives. I feel that 'local hire only' in Southern States has done a disservice to SAG-AFTRA members who are entitled to travel and per diem payments. Your support for my continued service is valued and appreciated.



### 17 / NANCY DUERR

Through my years of service, working and negotiating SAG and SAG-AFTRA contracts, I've kept a finger on the pulse of change. Advocating for members on National and Local boards has helped me identify and share our concerns with leaders across the country to ensure we look forward as we emerge from this pandemic. Let us seize the opportunity to implement new ways to organize, incentivize, and bring work to Florida, Alabama and Puerto Rico. It is more important than ever to elect experienced, visionary leaders to represent all of us. Thank you for your continued confidence and support.



### 18 / JOSEPH GIAMBRONE

As your Miami local Board Member at Large my main concern is ensuring that the issues of our local union members are addressed and resolved. I will protect the safety of all actor on set to ensure production provides adequate resources on set. I will ensure that your contract rights are not violated. We need to bring back Florida as the "Hollywood of the South". I will also want to strive to make the Florida local a background zone.



### 19 / CHRIS BEEKIE

I would be honored in continuing to serve you and have your vote in retaining my Board Member at Large seat that I have held for over 18 years. I have been a proud member of SAG-AFTRA since 1997 and have volunteered as a committee member for many SAG-AFTRA events, most recently the SAG-AFTRA Central Florida mixer. Having worked behind the scenes in a SAG-AFTRA talent agency for over ten years, I feel I offer unique insight into both sides of our business that will be a valuable asset during Union efforts to improve agency relations. The future is now.



### 20 / JANET CARABELLI

Increasing opportunities for SAG-AFTRA members will be my focus if I'm elected. I've been serving on Committees for 6 years, and as an Alternate Board member for 2. Prior to returning to acting, I owned an advertising agency. Having produced commercials as well as acted in them gives me a perspective that I believe will be helpful toward bringing more union work to the areas we serve. I pledge to listen to members' priorities and issues, and to do whatever I can to meet your needs.

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## **CONVENTION DELEGATE - 2 YEAR TERM**

VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN THIRTEEN (13).

**21. KEVIN DEAN-HACKETT**

**22. JOSEPH GIAMBRONE**

**23. STEVE GLADSTONE**

**24. LAUREL LEVEY**

**25. CARMEN LOPEZ**

**26. JOSETTE PAGAN**

**27. KELLY VAUGHN**

**28. MICHAEL JOSEPH THOMAS WARD**

**29. CAROL C. BAILEY**

**30. CHRIS BEEKIE**

**31. BARRY BRANDT**

**32. JANET CARABELLI**

**33. ROBYN COHEN**

**34. DAVE COREY**