



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

July 20, 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:

**President** - Michelle Damis;

**Vice President** - Harold Phillips;

**Secretary** - Chrisse Roccaro



## **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.

The Local Board Members and Convention Delegates, by virtue of their election to those positions, are eligible to serve as Alternate National Board Members.

# LOCAL BOARD MEMBER / 2 YEAR TERM

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## 01 / JUNE EISLER

Dear fellow Portland SAG-AFTRA members, I am excited to be running for a position on our local board to move Portland Forward. I have been honored to be a Union member since 2012. If elected, I will work alongside our experienced leaders and the membership at large to further the prominence of our Union locally. I believe as performers, by uniting in solidarity, we can grow opportunities for all of us. I am ever grateful to SAG-AFTRA for fighting for the best work opportunities (and broader associated benefits) for us historically, and hope to further that mission into the future.



## 02 / RACHAEL PERRELL FOSKET

These last four years serving on the Portland Local board and co-chairing the Organizing and Helping Hands Committees has been an honor. While this year has been challenging for everyone, I am proud to say Portland is made of stronger stuff. Together we organized food drives, cleanup crews, and letter writing campaigns to push film incentives. We continued to organize our Local. Seeing your faces over zoom calls and feeling your desire to get involved as we strive to move Portland Forward together has been such a joy, and I look ahead to continuing this work with you — together!



## 03 / TIM GORDON

I'm Tim Gordon, and I'm excited to be running for a seat on our union's local board! As a news reporter, I bring a broadcaster's perspective I feel is important to add to union leadership. I've worked in Portland for nearly 20 years, the past ten at KGW. I am proud to serve as our shop steward, and on the national Broadcast Steering Committee for the past six years. My goal is to work in the best interests of all the wonderful SAG-AFTRA performers in our local, and to increase broadcasters' involvement as well. Please vote Tim Gordon. Thank you!



## 04 / KRISTINA HADDAD

As a member of SAG-AFTRA (since 1996) I have experienced the critical role the Union plays in being a fierce watchdog for talent. I'm inspired by this steadfast commitment to the well-being of actors, so as things open up I'm more energized than ever to push "Portland Forward" by serving as a passionate advocate for the acting community. My number one priority is to demystify what it means to do a Union project. I will work to educate the film community about the advantages of working with our Union, so we can all benefit - more Union work is my goal!



## 05 / MARY MCDONALD-LEWIS

I'm excited to serve you as a Local Board member. I've lived & worked here since '93, and I believe Oregon members -- broadcasters, background and stunt performers, singers, dancers and actors -- are the most engaged, active, and professional in the US. As we return to work, I know you're eager to roll up your sleeves and move Portland Forward! With my strong relationships with local & national staff & board members nationwide, I plan to steward us onward with even more professional education and access to work than ever before. Let me take us there. Vote MaryMac!



## 06 / ERIK NICOLAISEN

FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION: SAG-AFTRA member since 2006. Began as a child actor in Portland, studied theater at UofO - Hundreds of national commercials, video games, TV and films followed. Throughout my career, I've seen residuals, jobs, and working protections plummet. What was once a successful number of yearly bookings, barely provides a living wage these days. I cannot sit idly by as our fellow members worry about insurance and finances. I'm committed to fighting for fair treatment and living wages, and rebuilding our industry via a STRONGER UNION. Please VOTE for me for your Portland Local Board Member, and Delegate.

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### 07 / PAMELA O'HARE

Portland Forward. We are stronger together. I've been an active member of the Portland film community since 2009, a member of Portland Local SAG•AFTRA since 2015, and Portland has been my home for 20 years. I am invested in Portland Local SAG•AFTRA, and committed to more union work for Portland people. It's about Portland. Vote Portland for Portland.



### 08 / ERICK AVARI

WHY I AM RUNNING: I've made my living the past 4 decades working in radio, film, TV and stage from background work, to leads in Blockbuster films. Thanks to union acting jobs and strong SAG contracts, I am now fortunate to be in a position to give back to the industry that has been more than good to me and I would like to ensure the same opportunities for actors today. Oregon should be a filmmaker's dream and should be bustling with productions. I hope to help create those opportunities, and assist in bringing more union acting jobs to Oregon.



### 09 / JOSEPH BERTÓT

I'm excited to serve you on your Local Board. Having lived & worked here since 2013, I know Oregon members are an amazing group of creative and talented professionals. As we return to work, I'm looking forward to propelling our Local into the future of digital media and working to build a creative hub that rivals any state. If you allow me to represent you, know that I will be available to you and will work tirelessly to bring as many opportunities here for all of us. Portland Forward!

## CONVENTION DELEGATE / 2 YEAR TERM

VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN FIVE (5).

10. Rachael Perrell Fosket

11. Erik Nicolaisen

12. Harold Phillips

13. Chrissy Roccaro

14. Brady Romberg

15. Erick Avari

16. Joseph Bertót