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# Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra Announces Updates to Board of Trustees

The Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra (BPO) is thrilled to announce valuable additions to its Board of Trustees, following the recent unanimous voting at the BPO's annual meeting on Tuesday, September 19. These new appointments add fresh perspectives and insights from varied backgrounds that will undeniably benefit the BPO.

Outgoing Board Chair **John Yurtchuk**, now serving in an ex-officio capacity, was recognized for his valuable contributions throughout his term. The Board then ushered in **Scott Stenclik**, President & CEO of Aleron Group, as the new Board Chair. Alongside him, the BPO announced the election of other members as Board Officers: **Anne Conable** as Vice Chair, **John Zak** as Treasurer, and **William Keefer** as Secretary.

The BPO is proud to introduce its newest Board members for the 2024 fiscal year:

- **Brenda Feldstein**, Brazilian-born founder of A Special Story, combines her storytelling, journalism, filmmaking, and MBA skills for impactful stories that resonate globally with active experience on many Boards.
- **Nickole Garrison** brings her extensive experience in accounting, audit, and client service from her leadership roles at Garrison Murphy Wealth Management, LLC and her noteworthy 27 years in wealth management, consulting, and auditing with renowned institutions.
- **Matt Low**, Chief Creative Officer at Crowley Webb, is renowned for steering successful campaigns with clients such as M&T Bank, Moderna, Eli Lilly and Company, among others.
- **Kyle Morgan** brings over two decades of experience in wealth management, joining from Boston's Federated Investors as Senior Vice President and Wealth Advisor at Key Private Bank.
- **Ricardo Saeb**, the talented Buffalo-based Mexican guitarist, has showcased his skills at numerous international stages, earning accolades for his striking performances.

- **Karen Saxon**, a Music Educator at Buffalo Public Schools and Minister of Music at First Shiloh Baptist Church, has demonstrated her prowess in choral music and music education over the years, making her an asset to the Board.
- **John Zak** brings his vast expertise in U.S. securities regulation, corporate law, mergers, and acquisitions from his role as a Partner at Hodgson Russ LLP, in addition to his service as Chair of the BPO Foundation Board of Directors.

Additionally, prior to the annual meeting, two trustees were elected:

- **Erin Peradotto Terhaar** ties her passion for classical music as a trained singer with her rich professional background as a former judge on the New York Supreme Court, Appellate Division, Fourth Department.
- **Corinne Rice**, a devoted BPO Classics Subscriber, donor, and passionate supporter of the arts offers a wealth of experience from her association with the Shaw Festival Board of Trustees, Buffalo Olmsted Parks Conservancy, and more.

These additions come at an exciting time for the Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra, as they continue to strive for excellence and further their commitment to music and the Buffalo community.

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## About Scott Stenlik



Scott Stenlik serves as President & CEO of Aleron Group and CEO of Acara Solutions. Since joining Aleron in 1986, Scott has helped the company evolve into one of the area's largest and highest-performing workforce solutions and talent acquisition providers. The organization has expanded its footprint to include offices in 30 cities across the U.S., along with global operations in Canada, Mexico, and 10 other countries in Asia, EMEA, and South America.

Scott has long been committed to the success of the Western New York community, and was named to



Buffalo Business First's Power 250 list for his influence on the city of Buffalo. He sits on the Board of several not-for-profit organizations, including the Buffalo Center for the Arts and Technology, Buffalo Museum of Science, TechBuffalo, and serves as Board Chair of the Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra. Scott is actively involved in the region's startup business community through organizations such as 43North, Endeavor, and LaunchNY. He serves on Varia Ventures' Advisory Board and is also a member of Buffalo Angels through the WNY Venture Association. In 2016 he founded Viaduct, which helps to solve critical talent challenges of startup and emerging business in upstate New York and southern Ontario.

Prior to joining Aleron, Scott worked as a CPA in Ernst & Young's NYC audit practice before transitioning to the firm's tax practice in its San Francisco office. Scott primarily provided tax consulting services to Bay Area venture capital firms. He earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Economics from the University of Pennsylvania's Wharton School of Business.

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