



Midwest Artist Project Services
Board of Directors
Roles & Responsibilities 2018-2019

About Midwest Artist Project Services

Founded in 2012, MAPS is a 501 (c)(3) nonprofit that serves and empowers individual artists, collectives, and emerging arts organizations in the Midwest region by promoting new and sustainable growth through fiscal sponsorship, consultation, education, and providing access to best solutions for the current issues that affect artists. MAPS offers free or low-cost resources for working artists in all disciplines—visual artists, musicians, creative writers, craft artists, theater and dance artists, filmmakers, and other originating artists— in the St. Louis region and beyond.

Board of Directors

The MAPS Board is charged with the governance and oversight of the organization, adhering to all bylaws. Board members are asked to make a commitment to sustaining and growing the organization and its programs through leadership, volunteer service, and by representing MAPS to an external audience.

MAPS Board Members are individuals who reflect the creativity, energy, thoughtfulness, and diversity of the artists and communities we serve. Board members are asked to commit to the following responsibilities:

- Attend six board meetings per year. Meetings are held every other month on Thursday evenings, or as best schedule for the majority of attendees. Members are asked to make an effort to attend virtually if they cannot attend in person;
- Demonstrate interest or expertise in the areas of artistic practice, arts administration, cultural policy, or legal or financial nonprofit practices;
- Provide guidance, direction, and assistance in areas of programming, fundraising, marketing, or organization operations for MAPS;
- Upon request, meet with project leads of MAPS' fiscally sponsored projects to provide guidance and assist with accountability;
- Support MAPS with an annual financial contribution (separate from donation of services)

The time commitment for MAPS Board members is typically 2-3 hours per month.

There are currently no term limits. However, board members who have not fulfilled the above responsibilities for 12 months will be asked to reconsider their commitment.