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Fountain Theatre announces national job search to replace outgoing artistic director Stephen Sachs

LOS ANGELES (March 11, 2024) — **The Fountain Theatre** board of directors has announced criteria in its **national search** to replace outgoing artistic director Stephen Sachs, who will retire at the end of 2024.

Sachs has been one of the most influential figures in the intimate theater scene in Los Angeles, not only as founding artistic director of the Fountain Theatre, but also as a playwright and director. The search seeks to find the individual best suited to honor and build upon Sachs' legacy to lead the Fountain into the future and the next phase of its mission.

“The artistic director is the primary face of the organization, embodying and communicating the artistic vision and mission of the Fountain, and ensuring that the Fountain continues to be seen as one of the premier theaters in Los Angeles while advancing our national reputation,” states board chair **Dorothy Wolpert**.

Responsibilities of the new artistic director will include artistic leadership, including selecting and implementing full seasons of plays for the company; leading the development of new plays and the nurturing of new theater artists; and championing and sustaining arts education, dance and other programs, as well as administrative leadership: collaborating with the board to create and advance the organizational structure of the Fountain; supervising staff; and actively participating in all fundraising and development activities. Skills and qualifications include a B.A. or higher, preferably in the arts, and a minimum of five years experience as an artistic leader at a non-profit theater.

To find a detailed job description; a complete list of required skills, qualifications and personal leadership attributes; and information about salary and benefits, go to fountaintheatre.com/leadership-transition.

Interested candidates should submit a cover letter, resume and writing sample on or before April 15 using this [link](#). No phone calls please.

Questions can be sent via email to ADSearch@fountaintheatre.com.

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