Setting the Table for More Diverse Nonprofit Boards
Tuesday, February 27, 2018
5:30 - 7:30 PM

Agenda

Introduction by emcees, 5:45 pm
Mari Horita, President & CEO, ArtsFund
Fred Rivera, Executive Vice President & General Counsel, Seattle Mariners

Panel discussion, 6:00 pm
featuring

Florangela Davila, Managing Editor, Crosscut
Governor Gary Locke
Jill Nishi, Director, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation
Anthony Miles, Partner, Stoel Rives

moderated by
Mimi Gan, Principal, Mi2 Media

Networking with Arts & Cultural Organizations, 6:45 pm

Ticket giveaway & closing remarks

Generously hosted by Impact Hub
Catering by Pho Cyclo Café

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## Participating Organizations

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## Upcoming Trainings

**ArtsFund | Board Leadership Training |**  
www.artsfund.org/blt  
A five-session training course focused on arts nonprofit board leadership, held twice annually. Registration is open now for the spring session which runs Wednesday evenings March 13 - April 24. Registration for the fall session will open in September, and the course will run October - November.

**Leadership Tomorrow |**  
www.leadershiptomorrowseattle.org/apply  
A nine-month community leadership development program, designed to enhance professional and civic leadership capabilities, explore the complex issues facing the Puget Sound region, and inspire community engagement. Applications for the next session are due April 2, 2018.

**Seattle Works | The Bridge: Board Training |**  
www.seattleworks.org/bridge  
A one-day training covering the fundamentals of nonprofit board leadership. Upcoming trainings will be held on March 24, May 12, July 28, September 29, and November 17.

**United Way of King County | Project LEAD |**  
www.uwkc.org/projectlead  
A leadership training program that prepares highly qualified people of color to serve effectively on nonprofit boards. The training will be during the month of March and is held downtown.

Questions? Contact Rachel Porter at rachelp@artsfund.org. | www.artsfund.org
About the Panelists

Florangela Davila is the Managing Editor at Crosscut. A veteran Seattle journalist, she worked for 14 years as a staff reporter covering race, immigration and features at The Seattle Times. She’s been a longtime arts contributor to KNKX-FM as well as Crosscut. Her work has also appeared on NPR and in Seattle magazine. Florangela is a former faculty member at the University of Washington. Prior to Crosscut, she served as the Voices of the Region director for Seattle nonprofit Forterra where she launched Ampersand the print magazine and executive produced Ampersand Live, a stage show. You can email her at florangela.davila@crosscut.com.

Mimi Gan is principal of Mi2 Media and produces documentaries and videos for social good. For 16 years, Mimi was a reporter/producer for KING 5 Evening Magazine and co-host of the kids show, Watch This! She also worked as a correspondent for The Discovery Channel and as a TV and radio journalist in San Francisco. She has been honored with 12 Emmys, an AWRT Gracie, and NATPE Iris. Mimi directed the award-winning documentaries, With Honors Denied and Giants, which screened at more than a dozen film festivals, including Tribeca. Passionate about the arts, education and social justice, Mimi serves as a trustee for Seattle Children’s Theatre and Wing Luke Museum of the Asian Pacific American Experience. Mimi received an A.B. from Stanford University. She lives in Seattle with her husband and two daughters.

As Governor of Washington State (the first Chinese American to be elected governor in United States history and the first Asian American governor on the mainland), U.S. Secretary of Commerce, and most recently as America’s envoy to China, Gary Locke has been a leader in the areas of education, employment, trade, health care, human rights, immigration reform, privacy, and the environment. Mr. Locke began his career in public service upon his election to the Washington State House of Representatives serving from 1983-1994. He was then elected as King County Executive, serving from 1994-1997, and Washington’s 21st Governor from 1997-2005. Mr. Locke then served as the 36th Commerce Secretary from 2009-2011, and America’s 10th Ambassador to China from 2011-2014. He graduated from Yale University with a Bachelor’s degree in political science and from Boston University with a law degree. He is the proud father of three children.
Jill Nishi, director, Office of the President and Chief of Staff at the Gates Foundation oversees Special Initiative grant making and manages the overall operations for the United States Program. Jill has served in a number of leadership roles at the foundation, most recently as senior advisor in the Office of the President, and previously overseeing the management and research & evaluation functions for the foundation’s Postsecondary Success strategy. Prior to joining the foundation in 2005, Jill served in several leadership positions in the public sector. She holds a bachelor’s degree from the University of Puget Sound; and a master’s degree in public affairs from Princeton University’s Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs. She currently serves on the Board of Trustees of the University of Puget Sound; and on the boards of the Wing Luke Museum of the Asian Pacific American Experience and U.S.-Japan Council.

Tony Miles is a partner in the Seattle office of Stoel Rives LLP where he focuses his practice on health care law. With almost 20 years’ experience exclusively involving matters related to health care, Tony helps health industry clients conceive, negotiate and implement strategic affiliations to expand their service offerings through collaboration, alternative care delivery structures and innovative benefits program structures in compliance with federal health program rules. He also helps clients comply with requirements concerning the distribution and marketing of FDA-regulated drugs, biologics and devices. Active in the Bar and in the community, Tony has been a Trustee of ArtsFund since 2014 and currently serves as Chair-elect. Tony also currently is active as a Partner with Social Venture Partners and as a board member of the Washington State Society of Healthcare Attorneys.

Fred Rivera is the Executive Vice President and General Counsel of the Seattle Mariners. Before joining the Mariners, Fred was a Managing Partner of the Perkins Coie law firm’s Seattle office and a partner in the firm’s Commercial Litigation group. Prior to that, he was a trial attorney in the Civil Rights Division of the U.S. Department of Justice, and Vice President in charge of corporate-wide internal investigations at Fannie Mae. Fred is active in bar association and community organizations, having served in several board leadership positions including ArtsFund, United Way of King County, Downtown Seattle Association, and the King County Board Foundation. He is a past Board Member for The Martinez Foundation and Rotary Boys & Girls Club, and Advisory Board Member, Washington Leadership Institute.

Mari Horita is the President and CEO of ArtsFund. A lawyer by training, she practiced law at Bogle & Gates, and later Dorsey & Whitney and K&L Gates. Mari has served on a number of nonprofit boards including ArtsFund, United Way of King County, Seattle Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce, Asian Bar Association of Washington, Densho, and YouthCare. She currently serves on the Executive Committee of the Downtown Seattle Association, the Advisory Board for the Foster School’s Board Fellows Program, and the Private Sector Council for Americans for the Arts.