WHAT IT’S LIKE TO BE A PART OF THE HUMANITIESDC BOARD?
Welcome and first thank you for your interest in learning more about the HumanitiesDC Board of Directors! Here’s a quick glance at what it means to be part of the team.

ORGANIZATIONAL OVERVIEW
HumanitiesDC is the state humanities council for Washington DC. Founded in 1980, HumanitiesDC aims to use the humanities as a tool to help all Washingtonians, and others connected to the District, deepen their relationships with the city and each other through the sharing of unique and universal stories, the fostering of intellectual stimulation, and the promotion of cross-cultural understanding. We work to amplify DC residents’ voices primarily through grantmaking and programs that support the making, recording and appreciation of all things related to our city’s history, culture, and arts. We do this in partnership with other organizations, as well as local scholars, field experts and citizen humanists.

VALUES & ORGANIZATIONAL CULTURE
HumanitiesDC has five main values used to help us navigate our internal decision-making processes, external relationships, and community programs:

- Equity Driven
- Community Powered
- Creative Vision
- Amplifying Voices
- Acting With Integrity

A full description of our values is on our website, www.humanitiesdc.org/

WHO ARE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR HUMANITIESDC?
Our board is a group of community members tasked with helping make sure HumanitiesDC is the strongest, healthiest organization it can be, it’s following its mission, and using our funds and resources the best way possible to do so. Board members are DC residents who are passionate about our city and humanities and recognize how creating these types of spaces foster rich and educational experiences for Washingtonians across the city.

A HumanitiesDC board member is someone who resides in DC and is ready to commit to sharing their power skills, connections, relationships, and ideas to help us meet goals set by our strategic plan (also on website).

HISTORY LITERATURE LANGUAGES ETHICS
PHILOSOPHY ARTS APPRECIATION
WHAT ARE WE LOOKING FOR?
Interested in joining? We are looking for a diverse group of members with a wide range of skills that collectively represent the richness of the city.

The particular skills we are looking for in 2023 include but are not limited to:

- Finance
- Marketing/PR
- Nonprofit Law or Management
- Knowledge of DC Arts & Humanities

The commitment (time and talent):

- Three-year terms
- An Orientation Session
- Yearly giving (amount decided by you to help reach a collective board goal)
- Six in person annual meetings
- One full-day annual retreat
- Committee meetings (no more than six a year) - mostly virtual
- ~ Five hours per month to review board and committee materials
- Attendance at HumanitiesDC events throughout the year
- Sharing your network
- Sharing your ideas

*All board members complete an annual participation card to help track these commitments.

HOW TO GET INVOLVED
If you’re interested in joining the board, please fill out an application via this [Google Form](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdfjG) and email your resume to [officeadmin@humanitiesdc.org](mailto:officeadmin@humanitiesdc.org) by July 14, 2023. Have questions? Please email Executive Director, Rebecca Lemos Otero at [rlemosotero@humanitiesdc.org](mailto:rlemosotero@humanitiesdc.org).

Interested candidates will be asked to participate in two separate conversations with current board members and the executive director. Final decisions will be made by the end of September and new board members will attend their first board meeting in November.