County Executive Office

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Neha Hoskins
Clerk of the Board

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A Commitment to Service

September 18, 2024

Teressa Foss
[redacted]
American Canyon, CA 94503
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Re: **Napa County Arts and Culture Advisory Committee**

Dear Teressa:

You have been a valued member of the **Napa County Arts and Culture Advisory Committee** representing **County-At-Large.** The term of your position will expire September 30, 2024. If you wish to request reappointment for another one-year term, please check the following box:

☑ Yes, I would like my name, this letter and application forwarded to the Board of Supervisors for possible reappointment to the **Napa County Arts and Culture Advisory Committee** for the term commencing immediately and expiring September 30, 2025.

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If you have chosen to request reappointment, please check **one** of the two boxes below regarding your last application.

☑ I confirm that all the information on my last application is current.

☐ Some of the information on my last application is no longer current or is five (5) years old or older. I will submit a new or revised application.

(To complete a new application form either contact the Napa County Executive Office or go to the following link to complete your application online:

https://www.countyofnapa.org/1420/Committees-Commissions

After checking the appropriate box, **sign and date on the lines below and return this letter to the County Executive Office by mail, email, or fax.**

Teresa R Foss
SIGNATURE

Sept. 20, 2024
DATE

Application for Appointment to Board, Commission, Committee, Task Force or Position

Applicants appointed by the Board of Supervisors will be required to take an oath of office. All applications will be kept on file for one year from the date of application.

Public Records Act

Applications are public records that are subject to disclosure under the California Public Records Act. Information provided by the applicant is not regarded as confidential except for the addresses and phone numbers of references and the applicant's personal information including home and work addresses, phone numbers and email address.

Form 700 Conflict of Interest Code

California Fair Political Practices Website

Please note that appointees may be required by state law and county conflict of interest code to file financial disclosure statements.

Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Napa County Arts and Culture Advisory Committee: Submitted

Category of Membership for Which You Are Applying

County At-Large representative (1 year term)

Profile

Teressa
First Name

Middle Initial

Foss
Last Name

[redacted]
Email Address

[redacted]
Home Address

Suite or Apt

American Canyon
City

CA
State

94503
Postal Code

Which supervisorial district do you reside in? *

☑ District 5

To find your supervisorial district go to https://www.countyofnapa.org/2051/Find-my-supervisor-and-district and enter your address.

[redacted]
Primary Phone

Delicato Family Wines	Administrative Assistant, Legal Dept.	Administrative Assistant
Employer	Job Title	Occupation

Education/Experience

Performing Artist in theatre/opera/multi-disciplinary, union member of Actors Equity Association (since 1993), Screen Actors Guild (since 1994), and American Guild of Musical Artists (since 2004). Regular performer at Bay Area opera and theatre companies, since 2010, including TheatreWorks Silicon Valley, Opera San Jose, Livermore Valley Opera, Festival Opera, Indra's Net Theatre, Sacramento Theatre Company, Woodminster Musicals, Willows Theatre, and 42nd Street Moon. Member of Theatre Bay Area; served on TBA's CA$H grants panel during membership. Previously have served on union contract committees helping staff who negotiate contracts with producers, and performed in Educational Outreach (singing opera for K-12 kids in schools). Resident of American Canyon since 2012. Complete artistic chronology at TeressaFoss.net. UCLA BA Theatre Arts. Also: Administrative Assistant with over a decade's worth experience in the wine industry, most recently with Delicato Family Wines (Legal Department), Terlato Wine Group (Rutherford Hill Winery, Rutherford/Napa), and Foley Family Wines (Napa/Sonoma).

Name and occupation of spouse within the last 12 months, if married. (For conflict of Interest purposes)

Joseph Foss, Wine Educator (Peju Winery)

Resume

TeressaFoss_AdminAsst1pg_2021.pdf
Upload a Resume

TeressaFoss_AEA_SAG_2023.pdf
Letter of Recommendation or Supplemental Attachments

Professional or occupational license, date of issue, and expiration including status

Union member: Actors Equity Association (1992), Screen Actors Guild (1993), American Guild of Musical Artists (2001)

References: Provide names and phone numbers of 3 individuals who are familiar with your background.

Bruce Olstad, Livermore Valley Opera, ([redacted] Trevor Pridmore, Staffing Consultant, Alkar, [redacted] Lindsay Moorhead, Director ESG/Sustainability, Legal Dept., Delicato Family Wines, [redacted]

Community Participation

Please explain your reasons for wishing to serve and, in your opinion, how you feel you could contribute.

I have served on the Napa Arts & Culture Advisory Commission for successive 1-year terms from 2020 to 2023, and I was pleased to contribute, with my voting and adding to the conversation, to all the grant applicants receiving funding during the Pandemic shut-down and beyond. I would like to continue supporting our local arts and cultural organizations as they navigate life post-pandemic, and I would like to support organizations particularly in District 5 which have recently successfully applied for this grant and been producing events. I believe that the more vibrant and visible all arts and culture are in our Districts, the more community-oriented and socially-engaged our residents will feel and act.

Nature of activity and community location

Besides my terms on the Arts & Culture Commission, my husband & I support the American Canyon Food Bank (via the Kiwanis Club).

Other County Board/Commission/Committee on Which You Serve/Have Served

Public Actions that may impact Credit Rating (List all court or other public administration actions impacting your credit rating within the past ten (10) years)

Electronic Signature Agreement

I meet the criteria required to serve in this position.

◉ Yes ○ No

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

◉ Yes ○ No

Please Agree with the Following Statement

By checking the "I agree" box below, you agree and acknowledge that 1) your application will not be signed in the sense of a traditional paper document, 2) by signing in this alternate manner, you authorize your electronic signature to be valid and binding upon you to the same force and effect as a handwritten signature, and 3) you may still be required to provide a traditional signature at a later date.

☑ I Agree

Electronic Signature (First M. Last)

Teressa A Foss

Date

09/24/2023

Teressa Foss

TERESSA FOSS

American Canyon, CA

[redacted]

PROFILE

Office Administrative Pro. Effective as both a front-of-house, customer-facing voice, and a back-of-house problem-solver. Over 25 years' experience in making offices flow smoothly, over 30 years' experience making artistic organizations do the same. Enjoys working with people and living systems to make the world a more colorful, creative, and enjoyable place.

RECENT EXPERIENCE HIGHLIGHTS

Administrative Assistant, Legal Department **2020 – current**
Delicato Family Wines (Napa, CA)

Support staff for legal department of No. 5 wine company in the United States. Contract editing and execution, corporate governance record maintenance, legal billing assistance, trademark record maintenance, calendaring department meetings. Systems Used: ContractPod, SimpleLegal, AltLegal, MS Sharepoint, MS Teams, Concur (Expenses), Corporation Services Company.

Guest Services Phone Concierge (P/T), Wine Club Assistant (on-call) **2017-2020**
Terlato Wine Group (Napa, CA)

Rutherford Hill Winery, Chimney Rock Winery. Provided friendly, attentive customer service to visitors booking reservations. Processed wine club orders and "rescued" inactive memberships. Main e-platforms used: CellarPass, eWinery, ShipCompliant, IPad POS.

Administrative Assistant (P/T), Direct-To-Consumer Dept. **2011 – 2018**
Tasting Room Associate (P/T) (Sebastiani Winery) **2009 – 2013**
Foley Family Wines (Healdsburg, CA)

Support staffer for DTC team members, representing multiple winery brands in CA, OR, and WA. Main e-platforms used: OzTera's TeraVina, ShipCompliant, MS POS registers. Provided external customer service for wine-buying club members and public. Internally maintained and updated customer database.

Union Committees Volunteer Member **2011 – 2019**
Actors Equity Association (San Francisco, CA)

Consulted with staff on concession requests from theatre producers; forwarded organizing opportunities to union staff; participated in various membership community engagement activities.

Professional Performing Artist / Teaching Artist **2010 – current**
(Bay Area Counties, CA / San Diego, CA / Phoenix, AZ)

Opera San Jose 2015-2020: Sang in 8 Mainstage productions as both principal and chorus. Performed in 3 seasons of K-12 Educational Outreach. Other work 2010-2021: performed in: 15 contracts at 8 theatres, multiple vocal soloist performances, 3 major commercials, multiple independent film projects. 2021 soloist participant in "Welcome Back to the Arts" at Yerba Buena Gardens SF. Member AEA, SAG/AFTRA, AGMA.

OTHER RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Administrative Assistant / Receptionist (Temp Assignment – Alkar) **2018**
Coombs Dunlap LLC (Napa Co.)

Executive Secretary to VP, Labor Relations Dept. (FT) **1997-2000**
Secretary to VP, Domestic Television Distribution (Temp Assignment – AppleOne) **1996**
Paramount Pictures (Los Angeles, CA)

EDUCATION

UCLA (Los Angeles, CA) **BA Theatre Arts** *(Golden Key Society, National Merit Scholar)*

TERESSA FOSS

AEA-AGMA-SAG/AFTRA

Voice Coloratura Soprano

[redacted]

Metro Area: San Francisco CA

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3rd Floor, Suite 350
San Francisco, CA 94108
actors@mdtagencysf.com

THEATER / MUSICALS

Upcoming: Madeleines, Theatreworks Silicon Valley New Works Festival (08/2023)

A Christmas Carol	Mrs. Fezziwig/Ensemble	Michael Laun	Sacramento Theatre Company
Gentleman's Guide to Love&Murder	Miss Shingle	Daren AC Carollo	42nd Street Moon
Tuck Everlasting	Betsy Foster	Robert Kelley	TheatreWorks Silicon Valley
Rags	Anna/Esther/Gertrude	Robert Kelley	TheatreWorks Silicon Valley
Delicate Particle Logic	Lise Meitner	Bruce Coughran	Indra's Net Theatre
Farm Hall	Elizabeth Heisenberg	Bruce Coughran	Indra's Net Theatre
Little Me	Older Belle	Eric Inman	42nd Street Moon
Zorba	The Widow	Greg MacKellan	42nd Street Moon
Oh, Kay!	Kay	Maureen McVerry	42nd Street Moon
Hairspray	Velma Von Tussle	Joel Schlader	Woodminster Musicals
Rags	Rebecca Hershkowitz	Eric Inman	Willows Theatre
The Light in the Piazza	Signora Naccarelli	Eric Inman	Willows Theatre
The Light in the Piazza	Franca Naccarelli	Karla Koskinen	Phoenix Theatre, AZ
The Light in the Piazza	Franca Naccarelli	Robert Smyth	Lambs Players Theatre
Joyful Noise	Catherine "Kitty" Clive	Robert Smyth	Lambs Players Theatre
Phantom	Christine Daaé	Gary Gordon	Fullerton Civic Light Opera & Tour
Kiss Me Kate	Lilli Vanessi	Janie Scott	Cabrillo Stage
The Sound of Music	Sister Sophia	Gordon Hunt	Hollywood Bowl
Brigadoon	Fiona MacLaren	Scott Thompson	PCPA Theaterfest
Guys and Dolls	Sarah Brown	Mark Booher	PCPA Theaterfest
Master Class	Sharon Graham	Moises Kaufmann	Berkeley Rep
A Christmas Carol	Ensemble (various)	Mark Booher	GeVa Theatre, NY
Kismet	Princess of Ababu/Ayah, u/s Marsinah	Arthur Seidelman	Reprise! L.A.
On the 20th Century	Anita, u/s Lily Garland	David Lee	Reprise! L.A.

OPERA / OPERETTA

Il barbiere di Siviglia	Berta	Andrew Whitfield, Dana Sadava	Layna Chianakas	Opera San Jose
La Rondine	Suzy	Christopher Larkin, A. Whitfield	Candace Evans	Opera San Jose
Le nozze di Figaro	Marcellina	Andrew Bisantz, Andrew Whitfield	Lillian Groag	Opera San Jose
A Streetcar Named Desire	Nurse/Ghost, u/s Eunice	Ming Luke, Matthew Piatt	Brad Dalton	Opera San Jose
Little Red Riding Hood	Mother/Granny	Aaron Nicholson	Aaron Nicholson	Opera San Jose Outreach
Hansel and Gretel	Gretel/Sandman/Dew	Layna Chianakas	Layna Chianakas	Opera San Jose Outreach
The Enchantress	Vivian Savory (title)	Jeff Yeager	Mark Blattel	Lyric Theatre San Jose
Utopia, Limited	Princess Zara	Jeff Yeager	Phil Lowery	Lyric Theatre San Jose
Lucia di Lammermoor	Lucia	Cesar Cancino	Fred Winthrop	Verismo Opera
Cosi fan tutte	Fiordiligi	Barbara Day Turner	Douglas Nagel	West Bay Opera

Die Entführung aus dem Serail; Carmen; Tosca; Die Zauberflöte	Chorus	George Manahan; Ming Luke; Joseph Marcheso, Andrew Whitfield	Michael Shell; Layna Chianakas; Brad Dalton	Opera San Jose
L'elisir d'amore; Otello; Tosca	Chorus	Alex Katsman, Bruce Olstad	Layna Chianakas	Livermore Valley Opera
Norma	Chorus	Bryan Nies, Bruce Olstad	Mark Foehringer	Festival Opera

FILM

Bottles	Mira	Jon Stout	EA Media
Pintauro Road	Helen	Kevin Sonnichsen	Upper Market Entertainment
Nominated	Oscars Actress	Dan Pavilk	Nominated Feature Film Prods.
Life Without	Nurse Karen	Franz Erian	Polar Productions
Before	Pamela	Nikolai Vanyo	Naïve Pictures

COMMERCIAL / INDUSTRIAL

Conflicts available upon request; SAG/AFTRA spots include AT&T, Xfinity, Healthy Choice, Cadillac, Comcast

SOLOIST ENGAGEMENTS

Silicon Valley Gay Men's Chorus - San Jose, CA
Goat Hall Productions: "Fresh Voices" Festivals XVII, XVIII, XIX - Vallejo / Albany / San Francisco, CA
Viva La Musica - Redwood City and Walnut Creek, CA
San Jose Italian Family Festa - First Street Opera, San Jose CA
"It's a Grand Night for Singers", Jarvis Conservatory - Napa CA

TRAINING

◆ **SINGING**: Neil Semer (NY) ◆ **COACHING**: Neil Semer Vocal Institute (Coesfeld DEU), Oresta Cybriwsky, Cheryl Lyn Fielding, Dmitriy Cogan, Galina Umanskaya, Skye Atman, Hadley McCarroll; Peter Pierce Brandt ◆ **DEGREE**: UCLA (*BA Theater Arts*) ◆ **MOVEMENT**: Modern (Shawl-Anderson, Berkeley); add'l training: jazz, tap, ballet, ballroom, stage combat, yoga