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**BRIAN LYLES ELECTED CHAIR AND HEIDI DANIEL ELECTED VICE CHAIR OF THE
BALTIMORE OFFICE OF PROMOTION & THE ARTS BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

The **Baltimore Office of Promotion & The Arts (BOPA)** reports recent changes to BOPA's Board of Directors with the election of Board President **Brian Lyles**. Brian has been an active member of the Board for many years. **Heidi Daniel**, President and CEO of the Enoch Pratt Free Library, was also elected Vice Chair of the BOPA Board of Directors. Heidi joined the BOPA Board in 2020.

Currently, Brian is the Communications Director for SeKon Enterprise, Inc. He has over 20 years of experience in three major cities serving publishers, associations, healthcare institutions, historic buildings, and museums. His career history includes Direct Marketing and Promotion duties at BALTIMORE Magazine, Editor of the BALTIMORE ENGINEER magazine, Manager of Publications and Marketing for the Engineering Society of Baltimore (The Engineers Club), Director of Development & Marketing at the Baltimore Museum of Industry, Grant Writer and Manager at Children's National Medical Center (CNMC) in Washington, D.C., and Manager of Corporate & Foundation Relations for the Neurogenomics Division of the Translational Genomics Research Institute in Phoenix, Arizona.

Former Board President **Anana Kambon** transitioned out of that role in December 2021 after serving three terms as Board Chair. For over 35 years, Anana's professional work has been focused on the areas of early childhood education, fine arts education and advocacy, political/community activism, and governmental politics. She has worked both professionally and as a volunteer supplying individuals and organizations with event coordination, organizational reframing techniques, and strategic planning. She continues to serve as Chair of the Governance Committee and a member of the Strategic Planning Committee. Former Vice Chair **Michael Shecter**, owner of Guppy Management Services, continues to serve as a member of the Board.

After many years of service, former Chair of the Governance Committee **E. Scott Johnson** transitioned off the board in 2021. Prior to his departure, he also filled the role of Secretary. That role is now being filled by **Franklin N. McNeil, Jr.**, who is a Community Consultant on the Greater Maryland Community Development Banking Team for PNC Bank.

For more information on BOPA's Board of Directors, including meeting agendas & minutes, visit <https://promotionandarts.org/about-us/bopa-board-directors> and be sure to follow BOPA on social media: @promoandarts.

The Baltimore Office of Promotion & The Arts (BOPA) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, which serves as Baltimore City's arts council, events center, and film office. By providing funding and support to artists, arts programs, and organizations across the city, and by producing large-scale events such as Artscape, Baltimore Book Festival, and Light City, BOPA's goal is to make Baltimore a more vibrant and creative city.