



**OFFICE OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT TODD GLORIA
CITY OF SAN DIEGO**

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DATE: November 3, 2014
TO: Honorable City Councilmembers
FROM: Council President Todd Gloria
SUBJECT: Horton Plaza Theatres Foundation Appointment

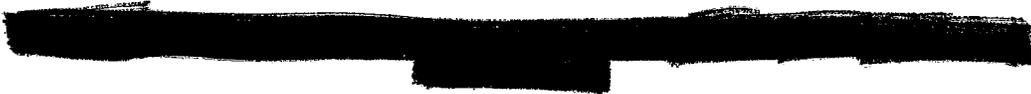
I am pleased to nominate Virginia Jackson to the Horton Plaza Theatres Foundation's Board of Directors.

Ms. Jackson has an exemplary background in the field of education including teaching at Lincoln High School Center for the Arts as a drama teacher and language arts and reading teacher. She has an outstanding record of community service which includes past service on the Horton Plaza Theaters Foundation Board of Directors from 2009-2013, as well as serving on the Board of Directors of Young Audiences of San Diego, Common Ground Theatre, La Jolla Playhouse Partners, and Friends of San Diego Public Library. She has a Master of Education degree, Master of Arts degree, and Bachelor of Arts degree. Attached for your review and consideration are her resume and board application.

I believe Ms. Jackson will be an outstanding returning board member to the Horton Plaza Theatres Foundation and I thank you in advance for your consideration and support of her confirmation.

cc: Honorable Mayor Kevin Faulconer
Liz Maland, City Clerk

VIRGINA M. JACKSON



EDUCATION

- Master of Education degree in Cross Cultural Teaching, National University, San Diego, California, June 2002.
- Master of Arts degree in African American Studies (Literature & Theatre), Clark Atlanta University, Atlanta, Georgia, May 1997. Master's thesis: *African American Theatre: An Aesthetic Analysis of Four Contemporary Theatre Companies*.
- Bachelor of Arts degree in Speech Communication (English and Theatre Performance minors), Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville, Illinois, June 1992.

CREDENTIALS

- Gifted and Talented Education Certification, San Diego State University, June 2011.
- General Subjects/Elementary Certification, California High Objective Uniform State Standard of Evaluation/No Child Left Behind Certificate of Compliance, July 2007.
- Preliminary Administrative Services Credential, National University, January 2007.
- English-Reading-Language Arts Certification, No Child Left Behind Certificate of Compliance, August 2006.
- Visual and Performing Arts - Drama Theatre Certification, No Child Left Behind Certificate of Compliance, August 2006.
- Social Science Certification, No Child Left Behind Certificate of Compliance, August 2006.
- Professional Clear Single Subject Credential in English, National University, June 2002.

AWARDS

- **Summer Scholar**, National Endowment for the Humanities, June 2014 and July 2012
- **Teacher Appreciation Award**, State of California Legislature Assembly, May 2008.
- **AVID Teacher of the Year**, O'Farrell Community School, May 2002.
- **Teacher Mentor Award**, The School of Teacher Education/San Diego State University, May 2000.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

San Diego Community College District, San Diego, California

January 2014-Present

Adjunct Professor/English

Teach Reading and Composition to diverse college-level students. Develop curriculum that emphasizes reading, critical thinking and writing and effectively measures student learning outcomes. Work collaboratively with colleagues to develop projects for students. Develop partnerships with community organizations to enhance taught classroom lessons.

San Diego South County Teacher Induction Consortium/San Diego County Office of Education, San Diego, CA

October 2010 – June 2011

San Diego Unified School District, San Diego, California

August 2009 – June 2011

Support Provider/Teacher Induction Program

Coached, mentored and provided individualized support for participating teachers. Utilized the Formative Assessment for California Teachers (FACT) to analyze teachers' instructional practices. Engaged in diverse formative assessment processes and reflect on those processes with teachers. Collaborated in sharing instructional, classroom management, content and pedagogy experience with participating teachers.

California Department of Education/Educational Testing Service, Sacramento, California

February 2009 - Present

Member, California Modified Assessment English/Language Arts Assessment Review Panel

Review English-Language Arts California Modified Assessment items for adequate alignment with the California State Standards. Review items for content, clarity, accuracy, bias and sensitivity. Individually review test items and collaborate with review panel members.

San Diego Unified School District, San Diego, California

August 2007– Present

English Teacher

Teach Grade 10 English at Lincoln High School/Center for the Arts. Implement California State Standards by utilizing programs such as McDougal Littell. Effectively develop curriculum in a diverse manner which addresses differentiation, arts integration, and college preparation for the diverse student population. Taught Grades 9, 11 and 12 English, the California High School Exit Exam Support class and the after school Academic Clinic during tenure. Was Lead English Teacher for Summer School 2012.

San Diego Unified School District, San Diego, California

August 1999 – July 2007

Language Arts & Reading Teacher

Taught Grades 6-8 Language Arts and Reading at O'Farrell Community Charter School. Was Support Teacher/Language Arts-Reading during 1999-2000 school year. Tutored and mentored students in the Saturday and Extended Day programs. Developed California State Standards-based curriculum, analyzed student data, facilitated parent workshops and created programs to meet the needs of a diverse student population. Designed/taught Social Advocates for Youth (SAY) sponsored-based afterschool Drama program (October 2002-December 2004), which followed the California State curriculum standards for Visual and Performing Arts.

DISTRICT/SITE LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

- Member, San Diego Unified School District Professional Development Planning Committee, May 2013.
- Member, San Diego Unified School District English Language Arts Common Core Task Force, October 2012-Present.
- Member, Superintendent's African American-African Student Achievement Task Force/San Diego Unified School District, October 2010 – June 2012..
- Member, Center for the Arts Advisory Board, August 2008 – June 2012.
- Member, School Site Council, January 2008 – June 2009 (Vice President/August 2008-June 2009).
- Board Director, Community Service Association/San Diego Unified School District, January 2008 – September 2012.

COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

- Charter Member, City of San Diego Commission for Arts and Culture Arts Education Advisory Committee, April 2014-Present.
- Charter Member, Smithsonian National Museum of African American History and Culture, January 2013-Present.
- Grant Reader, City of San Diego Commission for Arts and Culture/Organizational Support Program, December 2011 – Present.
- Script Reader, Playwrights Project, July 2011 – Present.
- Board Director, City of San Diego Horton Plaza Theatres Foundation, June 2009 – June 2013 (Advisory Board Director/June 2013-Present).
- Board Director, Young Audiences of San Diego, May 2008 – March 2012.
- Founding Director/Teacher, Boys and Girls Club of Greater San Diego – Encanto Branch Drama Program, October 2007 – August 2008.
- Education Coordinator, African American Council-KUUMBA Festival/San Diego Repertory Theatre, December 2006 – December 2008.
- Board Director, Friends of San Diego Public Library, September 2005 - September 2007.
- Board Director, San Diego Theatre Educators Alliance, January 2005 – Present.
- President, Friends of Malcolm X Library/San Diego Public Library, January 2004 – January 2006.