

Introducing our new Executive Director!

Dear friends and supporters,

Happy New Year! Theatre West is kicking off 2018 with some exciting news. The Board of Directors is exceedingly proud to announce that we have hired Spike Dolomite Ward as our permanent executive director.

Spike has been serving as our interim executive director for the past 6 months, but as of the first of January the Board voted unanimously to keep her on permanently.

Spike comes to us with a background in arts nonprofit management. In 1999, she started her own nonprofit, Arts in Education Aid Council, to restore the arts to San Fernando Valley public schools. She has served on many different arts nonprofit boards and has consulted with others on how to fundraise and build strong, effective boards. As an artist herself (acrylic painter and cartoonist,) she understands and respects the creative process. As an art teacher for young children, she understands the power and value that the arts give children in a multi-cultural society. As a grant writer and professional fundraiser, she knows how to navigate the foundation world and run original campaigns. As a producer of arts festivals, concerts and small live theatre, she has an appreciation for what it takes to put on a show.

Spike is actively working on developing new programs that will introduce Theatre West to a wider audience and the greater community. She is dedicated to setting a clear and bold vision for the company's future and welcomes your ideas and comments. You can reach her at execdirector@theatrewest.org

We are all very excited about the direction Theatre West has taken and our board, our membership, and our new executive director will all be working together to propel Theatre West's into a new and exciting future.

Onward, and see you at the theatre!

Garry Kluger
Chairman – Theatre West Board of Directors