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# AUDITORIUM THEATRE BOARD OF DIRECTORS NAMES ANN NASH AS NEW CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

# THOMAS R. BARYL NAMED AS VICE-CHAIRMAN



(CHICAGO, IL) The Auditorium Theatre's Board of Directors has elected **Ann Nash** as the new Chairman of the Board and **Thomas R. Baryl** as Vice-Chairman, effective immediately.

"It is an honor to serve the Auditorium Theatre in this new capacity and I am humbled by its history and place in our city," says Nash. "My family has been coming to the theatre for decades, always in awe of its beauty, unparalleled stage, and the magic of its performances. It is unquestionably one of the world's greatest theatres, and Vice-Chairman Tom Baryl and I are proud to steward it into the next chapter."

Nash has served on the Auditorium's Board of Directors since 2006 and chaired the Board's Development Committee before she was appointed Chairman. She is an attorney and officer with Nash Disability Law and has served the not-for-profit community, including the Ann and Robert H. Lurie Foundation, Northwestern University, and Children's Memorial Hospital, in various capacities.



Baryl joined the Board of Directors in 2012 and served as chair of the Facilities Committee before he was appointed Vice-Chairman. He is the vice-president of the parking company People's Auto Parking.

"Ann and Tom are two of the most dedicated supporters of the Auditorium Theatre, and I look forward to working with them as our National Historic Landmark continues its legacy as a key player in the performing arts



landscape in Chicago and around the world," says **Rachel Freund**, Interim Chief Executive Officer of the Auditorium Theatre.

The previous Chairman of the Board, along with a number of other individuals, departed the Board of Directors last week following a disagreement with Roosevelt University regarding the search for a new Auditorium Theatre CEO.

"We thank our respected colleagues who recently left the board for their work and support on behalf of the Auditorium, and for their continued friendship," says Nash. "They join the ranks of all the dedicated Chicagoans throughout the years who worked tirelessly to ensure the theatre's 130-year-old legacy, bringing diverse art and culture to the city, and we look forward to welcoming them to the theatre when we launch the 2019-20 Season this fall. The Auditorium is the 'theatre for the people,' and plays a vital role in the city."

## **Upcoming Events at the Auditorium Theatre**

June 14: Devil's Ball

June 22: Seven Things I've Learned: An Evening with Ira Glass

August 17: Dance for Life

August 24: <u>Hip-Hop Orchestra In Chicago</u>

September 10: King Crimson – 2019 Tour "Celebrating 50 Years"

September 21: Get Out with the Chicago Sinfonietta

September 24: National Geographic Live – Between River and Rim: Hiking the Grand Canyon

October 4: Ensemble Español Spanish Dance Theater/Cerqua Rivera Dance Theatre

October 16-27: The Joffrey Ballet - Jane Eyre

October 31+November 1: Disney in Concert: Tim Burton's The Nightmare Before Christmas

## **About The Auditorium Theatre**

The Auditorium Theatre, located at 50 E Ida B Wells Dr at Roosevelt University in Chicago, is an Illinois, not-for-profit organization committed to presenting the finest in international, cultural, community, and educational programming to all of Chicago and beyond as **The Theatre for the People**. The organization is also committed to the continued restoration and preservation of the **National Historic Landmark**.



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