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UNITED ARTS WELCOMES EIGHT NEW COMMUNITY LEADERS TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

ORLANDO, Fla. — July 2, 2014 — United Arts of Central Florida is pleased to welcome community and philanthropic leaders to the Board of Directors. United Arts trustee, Bryce L. West, philanthropist; United Arts trustee representative, Jim MacPhee, senior vice president, Walt Disney World Parks; David Blanc, vice president of services, Advance Care Scripts, an Omnicare Specialty Care Group company; Judith Duda, community leader; Beverly Marshall-Luney, principal, Platinum Travel; Dr. E. Ann McGee, president, Seminole State College; and Richard Sandler, M.D., vice chairman, department of pediatrics, chief, division of gastroenterology, hepatology and nutrition, Nemours Children’s Hospital join a committed board led by chairwoman Linda Landman Gonzalez, the Orlando Magic’s vice president of philanthropy and multi-cultural initiatives.

“After a second record-setting year – we raised more than \$6.0 million for the first time since 2008 – we continue to look for strong strategic relationships for our board,” said Ms. Gonzalez. “Bryce West is a leading cultural philanthropist and brings not only his kind and generous spirit to our board, but an in-depth knowledge of arts and culture and its value in our lives. Jim MacPhee succeeds Jill Estorino as the Walt Disney World Parks & Resorts trustee representative. We are so thankful for all that Jill helped us accomplish by chairing our marketing task force and consider the placement of Jim on our board as another strong step in the long and lasting relationship between United Arts of Central Florida and Walt Disney World Parks & Resorts.”

Trustees, class of 2014:

Bryce L. West, trustee and board member: Raised in Los Angeles, Bryce West was exposed to the visual, classical and performing arts through the Dorothy Chandler Pavilion, home of the Los Angeles Philharmonic, as well as the Los Angeles County Museum of Art, The Getty Museum, The Norton Simon Museum and The Huntington Library. The love for music and opera developed through these experiences remains a driving force behind Mr. West’s support for the arts and determination to provide the same experiences for new audiences in Central Florida.

“It was an incredible privilege to see the results of talented musicians, artists, dancers and scores of hard working heroes behind the scenes...,” Mr. West said. “The performing arts organizations here in Central Florida possess the same qualities as those found in the major cities throughout the world; incredible talent, successful artistic and executive leadership, and the desire to push beyond current boundaries. It is through supporting and cultivating ALL of our arts organizations that they will achieve their full potential, successfully building the artistic stature of our community.”

Jim MacPhee, Walt Disney World Parks trustee representative and board member: Born in Illinois, Jim MacPhee was raised in Ormond Beach and attended Florida State University. He began his now 35-year career with the *Walt Disney World*® Resort as an hourly cast member driving the watercraft vessels in Bay Lake and the Seven Seas Lagoon just outside the *Magic Kingdom*. Jim's career took him through a variety of roles across all of the Theme Parks until, in 1996, he was promoted to the executive position of general manager, *Disney's Animal Kingdom*. In this role, Jim was responsible for the operational input, development and opening of this theme park. Since 2010, Jim has been the senior vice president, Walt Disney World Parks, and is responsible for their strategic direction. He leads the vice presidents of the Magic Kingdom, Epcot, Disney's Hollywood Studios, Disney's Animal Kingdom and Catering, Convention Services & Park Event Operations who oversee daily operations and more than 20,000 cast members.

Board members, class of 2014:

David Blanc, vice president of services, Advanced Care Scripts, an Omnicare Specialty Care Group company. Advanced Care Scripts (ACS) services the needs of people who have been diagnosed with chronic or terminal illnesses requiring high cost specialty medications. Mr. Blanc focuses on coordinating efforts among all stakeholders to ensure access and affordability and to ultimately provide white-glove customer service in the delivery of medications to patients. Mr. Blanc has served on multiple advisory boards and conference panels and he is an active community volunteer through Habitat for Humanity, the Autism Society of Greater Orlando and the Alzheimer's Association of Central Florida.

Judith (Judy) Duda, community leader. Judy Duda was born in Chicago, but has lived in Central Florida since 1958. Educated at Concordia University and Rollins College, Ms. Duda served in several teaching and music director positions while raising her family. She also served as an organist and choir director for St. Luke's Lutheran Church in Oviedo. Over more than 40 years of volunteer service, she has chaired capital campaigns, executive searches and special events to benefit community endeavors. Judy is the founder and coordinator of the St. Luke's Concert Series, now celebrating its 20th season and the 2008 recipient of the Seminole County Hearts for the Arts award.

Beverly Marshall-Luney, principal, Platinum Travel. Raised in Baltimore, Maryland, Ms. Marshall-Luney spent almost 20 years in California where her passion for travel took her throughout the Golden State. During the 75th anniversary celebration of the founding of Beverly Hills, CA, she held a pivotal position at the Beverly Hills Chamber & Visitors Bureau, helping residents and the world celebrate that world-class city. In addition, Ms. Marshall-Luney has led Holy Land Tours for a world-renowned evangelist and, in her role as Vice President of Investor Relations and Events at the Metro Orlando Economic Development Commission, Best Places: Best Practices Leadership Missions throughout the United States.

Dr. E. Ann McGee, President, Seminole State College. Dr. McGee is a graduate of St. Petersburg College, holds both a Bachelor's and Master's degree from Florida State University and earned her Doctor of Education from Nova Southeastern University. She has held academic, administrative and executive positions at Florida Keys College and Broward College. Dr. McGee became the second president of Seminole State College in 1996.

Richard Sandler, M.D., Vice Chairman, Department of Pediatrics; Chief, Division of Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition, Nemours Children's Hospital. Dr. Sandler completed his undergraduate education at the University of Michigan and received his Doctor of Medicine from Michigan State University where he also completed several residencies. Dr. Sandler also completed research fellowships

at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Harvard Medical College. On staff at Rush University Medical Center from 1990, Dr. Sandler joined Nemours Children's Hospital in 2012.

About United Arts of Central Florida

United Arts is a collaboration of individuals, businesses, governments and school districts, foundations, arts and cultural organizations, and artists. Its mission is to unite, strengthen and inspire the Central Florida community through the arts and culture.

United Arts serves residents and visitors in Lake, Orange, Osceola and Seminole counties through more than 50 local arts, sciences and history organizations. It raises and distributes funds for these cultural groups and provides management, administrative and advisory services.

Now in its 25th year of service to the Central Florida community and regional host of power2give.org, the collaborative Campaign for the Arts and OrlandoAtPlay.com, United Arts has invested more than \$126 million in local organizations and education since its founding in 1989.

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