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## **FULLER CRAFT MUSEUM CONDUCTS SEARCH FOR NEXT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

Brockton, MA (June 14, 2021) Fuller Craft Museum is pleased to announce its partnership with Development Guild DDI to conduct the search for a new Executive Director. A Search Committee has been formed to oversee the effort and will be led by Annie Rosen, Chair, Fuller Craft Museum Board of Directors.

The new Executive Director will succeed Denise LeBlanc, who is retiring after three highly successful years in the role, and seven years at the Museum. Under her leadership, the Museum increased revenue by more than 65%, completed a successful strategic planning process and key capital improvements, expanded the Board of Directors, and celebrated Fuller Craft's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Denise is also credited with successfully leading the Museum through the pandemic, perhaps the strongest evidence of this is that the Museum ended fiscal 2020 and 2021 with substantial financial surpluses that will support continued expansion in the future.

"Denise has been a steadfast leader of Fuller Craft Museum for the past 7 years. During her time here, she has built a strong financial foundation and secured substantial grant funds to invest in our facilities. Denise's accomplishments lay a strong and healthy foundation for our next Executive Director to continue to bring Fuller Craft Museum forward," said Annie Rosen, Chair of the Board of Directors. "But it's not just the dollars and cents. The Museum's receipt of the 2020 American Craft Council Award

of Distinction affirms Fuller Craft Museum’s contribution as a leader in the field of craft,” she added.

The Executive Director (ED) will report to the President of the 14-member Fuller Craft Museum Board of Directors and will direct all aspects of the Museum. They will work with staff and the board to meet the goals of the current strategic plan to advance the field, expand the audience, engage the community, and sustain resources and will be charged with increasing the Museum’s visibility, attendance, growth, and community impact, as well as advance the Museum’s collections, exhibitions, and educational programs.

The new Executive Director will join an organization that is solid financially, proud of its leadership position in the crafts community, visionary in its programming, and committed to increased community impact.

**For more information about Fuller Craft, please visit: <https://fullercraft.org/>**

Fuller Craft will partner with Development Guild to create a customized executive search process that is rigorous, fair, inclusive and transparent. The firm will work closely with the Fuller Craft Board, senior leadership, and search committee throughout each stage of the search: developing the candidate profile, conducting in-depth research and extensive outreach to create a highly qualified and diverse pool, and interviewing candidates to select the next Executive Director.

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