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Members, Board of Trustees:

## APPOINTMENT TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY HUMANITIES FOUNDATION, INC.

<u>Recommendation</u>: that the Board of Trustees approve the appointments of Matthew Clarke, Salvador Sanchez and Richard Young to the Board of Directors of the University of Kentucky Humanities Foundation for a two-year term, ending January 1, 2024.

<u>Background</u>: The management of the affairs of the Foundation shall be vested in a Board of Directors whose membership shall consist of at least fifteen members, one of whom shall be the President of the University of Kentucky; one of whom shall be the Provost of the University of Kentucky; one of whom shall be the Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences; one of whom shall be the Dean of the Lewis Honors College; one of whom shall be an alumnus of the Gaines Center Fellowship Program; one of whom shall be a Gaines Fellow who will serve in his or her senior (second) year; and up to two of whom shall be individuals designated by the family of John R. and Joan B. Gaines. The remaining ten members of the Board of Directors shall be appointed from the public-at-large.

These appointments require approval by the Board of Trustees in accordance with the Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws for the University of Kentucky Humanities Foundation, Inc. These nominations are supported by the President and Provost.

#### Bios for University of Kentucky Humanities Foundation, Inc. Board of Directors

## **Matthew Clarke**

Matthew Clark lives in New York and was a fellow in the Gaines class of 2007. Mr. Clarke is an architect, planner and writer, and serves as the executive director of the Design Trust for Public Space, a private foundation promoting social justice through architecture and planning. New York City's High Line is an example of an earlier project of the foundation.

Clarke is an internationally recognized leader in community development, open space, planning and design. He is the author of *The Field Guide for Creative Placemaking in Parks* and is a board member of Bennington College in Vermont, helping the college to think and plan for the future. Though he lives in New York City, his family resides in Lexington.

#### Salvador "Sal" Sanchez

Sal Sanchez lives in Lexington, Kentucky and is the owner of A Cup of Common Wealth, Chocolate Holler and Magic Beans Coffee Roasters in Lexington. Sanchez is a resourceful, adaptable, action and results-oriented professional with extensive experience in coffee/cafe business development.

Sanchez is an enthusiastic leader with experience in store operations, people development, training, branding, marketing, strategic planning and vendor relations. As both an individual and a business owner, he is committed to community, which was recently highlighted in the Business Lexington article: "Brewing Culture: Owner Sal Sanchez pours his love of community into Cup of Common Wealth."

### **Richard Young**

Richard Young lives in Lexington, Kentucky and works at the intersection of democracy, public policy, social practice and creativity. He is the founder and executive director of CivicLex, a civic education organization that has been recognized by the Library of Congress and the American Academy of Arts and Science as a solution for rebuilding American Democracy for the 21st Century.

Young has also served as a longtime steering committee member and steward for the Kentucky Rural-Urban Exchange, the most preeminent framework in the United States for bringing together rural and urban communities to understand their interdependence.

Young is also the founder of Kentucky's first El Sistema music program and Lexington's first placebased Community Development Corporation. Since 2014, his work has been featured in multiple media including Lenfest Institute for Journalism, PBS NewsHour, Foreign Affairs, On Point and the Wall Street Journal. His work has invested more than \$3.5M into Kentucky's civic and creative fabric. Young is a Marshall Memorial Fellow with the German Marshall Fund of the United States and a NextCity Vanguard.