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The Colorado Springs Conservatory

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COLORADO SPRINGS CONSERVATORY WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Colorado Springs Conservatory is pleased to welcome four new members to its board of directors: Rodney Gullatte, CEO of Firma IT; Nicola Roark, Lead Manager of Site Strategy for T. Rowe Price in Colorado Springs; Jacob Eichengreen, Executive Director of Quad Innovation Alliance; and Christine O'Brien, Public Information Officer at Harrison School District 2.

Mr. Gullatte is a US Air Force veteran, who is well known in the Colorado Springs community for his work in cybersecurity and IT systems and is a small business advocate. He is the president of the Colorado Springs Rotary and a board member of the Colorado Springs Chamber and EDC.

"Music is a gift that I was blessed with and it holds a special place in my heart. Destiny chose me to be a part of this board and I'm honored to work with great people to enrich the future of our youngsters using the arts."

Ms. Roark, with over 20 years of corporate strategy, marketing, and operations leadership, has collaborated with business stakeholders across the country to execute targeted marketing communications strategies and deliver high-performing programs at organizations such as Harland Clarke and the Deluxe Corporation. *"We've lived in Colorado Springs for 25 years and raised four boys here. Now more than ever, we understand the vital role that organizations like the Conservatory play in coming alongside students and their families to nurture intellectually curious and resilient kids who feel a sense of belonging here."*

Mr. Eichengreen has been part of several domestic and international startups as well as a small team that managed a Venture Capital portfolio in Nevada and was named among the most influential young professionals in Colorado business by ColoradoBiz magazine in 2019. A Colorado Springs native, he attended the Colorado Springs Conservatory from ages 12-18.

"I 'blame' the Conservatory for more or less my entire professional trajectory, and I am committed to making sure as many young people as possible have access to the transformative opportunities that I received."

Ms. O'Brien serves as chief of staff in addition to her communications role at Harrison School District 2 and was Director of Community Relations for Community Partnership for Child Development for over seventeen years. She has worked closely with Colorado Springs Conservatory leadership over the years introducing its curriculum to Head Start and Early Head Start programs. *"I have been a friend of the Conservatory for 18 years and I know the impact that the partner program makes in Harrison School District Two. I believe our community is fortunate to have this type of arts programming available!"*

Celebrating its 27th year, Colorado Springs Conservatory is the Pikes Peak region's only non-auditioned preparatory performing arts conservatory, offering world-class arts immersion studies and programs in instrumental music, vocals, music theory, theater arts, recording arts, movement, history, and humanities to young people ranging from pre-kindergarten through high school seniors and adults in the community. With continued success of graduating 100% of the graduating high school seniors to the colleges, conservatories and universities of their choosing, CSC continues to serve students young and old from a 100-mile radius offering Education Partner Programs during the day, Community Programs throughout the week and CORE after school programming

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