

**Utah Symphony and Utah Opera
Search for the Chief Executive Officer
Salt Lake City, Utah**

The Board of Trustees of the Utah Symphony and Utah Opera (USUO) invites nominations and applications for the position of President and Chief Executive Officer (CEO). The largest arts institution in the state of Utah with a unique multidisciplinary focus, USUO is one of the country's preeminent arts and cultural institutions.

With a mission to "Connect the Community through Great Live Music – Perform. Engage. Inspire," the USUO reaches 450,000 residents in Utah and the Intermountain region through its four distinctive programming and artistic product lines, including a 52-week orchestra, an opera company with four productions per season, a popular summer concert series in Deer Valley, and one of the largest educational outreach programs in the country that brings classical music to more than 150,000 students annually.

The Utah Symphony, which celebrated its 75th anniversary at Carnegie Hall in 2016, is one of the most engaged orchestras in the nation. Built as the home of the Utah Symphony in 1979 and named for Maurice Abravanel, the long-time Music Director of the Symphony and champion of classical music throughout Utah, Abravanel Hall is an architectural and acoustic treasure in the heart of downtown Salt Lake City. Under the leadership of the esteemed Music Director Thierry Fischer, the orchestra has completed two tours across Utah's five national parks and other major landmarks, records extensively, and attracts guest conductors and artists from around the world. A part of the Salt Lake City community for over 40 years, Utah Opera has engaged Utah residents in inspiring operatic performances and annually performs for 80,000 students in Salt Lake City's Capitol Theatre and in schools throughout Utah. With the 1995 purchase and 2002 expansion of the Production Studios, music, education and all facets of production, including the design and construction of sets, costumes, and properties, are housed under one roof. The Deer Valley Music Festival, produced in partnership with Deer Valley resort in a beautiful mountain setting, attracts 45,000 concert-goers each summer and will celebrate its 20th anniversary year in 2023.

The CEO will join a dynamic, ambitious, and immensely talented organization at a time of important growth and transition. Leading one of the only combined symphony and operas in the nation, the CEO can leverage capabilities across the organization, finding new areas of synergies and collaborations that will continue to attract committed audiences. Moreover, the USUO is located in vibrant Salt Lake City, one of the fastest growing cities in the country with access to an exciting art, food, outdoor and cultural scene and an incredibly diverse ethnic, racial, faith based and LGBTQ population. Utah boasts an extremely healthy economy, and is the third fastest-growing state for arts and culture according to *The National Arts Endowment*. Salt Lake City's booming tech scene in the "Silicon Slopes," home to Utah's startup and tech community and spanning north and south from the Salt Lake City metropolitan area, provides unique opportunities for USUO to capture an increasingly diverse and youthful community, tap into an abundant philanthropic capacity, and strengthen its role as a cultural cornerstone of the state.

Together with the Board of Trustees, the musicians, artists, staff, and other key constituents, the next CEO will lead USUO in actualizing its unique values and important position as the premier provider of orchestral and operatic art forms in Utah. The CEO will be an organization-builder with a passion for music, an appreciation for performing arts, and an ambition to amplify the impact of USUO across the state of Utah and beyond.

Utah Symphony and Utah Opera has retained Isaacson, Miller, a national executive search firm, to assist in this search. Screening of complete applications will begin immediately and continue until the completion of the search process. For more details, including the full position profile and to submit inquiries, nominations, referrals, and applications, please see the Isaacson, Miller website for the search: <http://www.imsearch.com/7391>. Electronic submission of materials is required.

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