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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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## **Roswell Arts Fund Announces Changes in Board Leadership**

Donald Horton announced yesterday that he will be stepping down as the Board Chair of Roswell Arts Fund effective June 1, 2020 due to personal time constraints.

Horton shared "It has been my great pleasure to serve as a board member over the last four years, and as the Chair of the Board for the past two years. Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to serve with you on this wonderful organization."

Board member Scott Hitch will assume the role of Board Chair. The board accepted Horton's resignation and Hitch's appointment at the June board meeting held June 1, 2020.

Founder and partner at Hitch Law, LLC in Roswell, Scott Hitch is a business attorney with over 20 years' experience in navigating legal issues arising in environmental, land use, energy, corporate, and commercial real estate matters. He also represents clients working in the creative arts industries and in connection with estate planning strategies. Hitch serves as a volunteer attorney for Georgia Lawyers for the Arts and as Vice President of the board of Friends of Mimosa Hall & Gardens. He previously has served on the boards of directors of the Green Chamber of the South, the Georgia Environmental Policy Institute, Rivers Alive, and Keep Roswell Beautiful. Hitch is an alumnus of the University of Georgia and the UGA School of Law.

Hitch is passionate about music and is the lead singer and guitarist in the band Along for the Ride, which regularly performs in venues throughout the Atlanta metro area. Hitch and his wife, Angie, have lived in Roswell since 2000. Their daughters, Eliza and Juliana, attend Centennial High School.

Hitch said, "I am thankful to Don for his whole-hearted leadership during the past two years and very honored to step into this new role with RAF."

We are in a pivotal time of RAF's growth and I am proud to help lead an organization that embraces public art with programs like ArtAround Roswell and the Bike Rack Project, engages with the city and developers through Artists Around the Table, curates Pop Up Performances to champion a state-of-the-art performance space in Roswell, reimagines arts initiatives during the current pandemic, and constantly asks how RAF can better serve the community and continue to bring joy to our City.

Roswell Arts Fund has played a vital role in the conversation surrounding the arts in Roswell since its inception 5 years ago and has become a model for the region. I look forward to working alongside the board and staff in partnership with City government and community leaders to build upon RAF's past successes in creating new, exciting, positive, and community-driven arts opportunities."



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**About Roswell Arts Fund**

Roswell Arts Fund (RAF), an independent 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, is the designated arts agency for the City of Roswell. RAF was founded to strengthen the scope of the arts in our city and to champion the ability of the arts to excite the imagination, strengthen public places, and encourage conversation. Through each of our initiatives, Roswell Arts Fund aims to IGNITE conversation, INSPIRE residents, visitors, and businesses to create, support, and become engaged and IMPACT the economy by making Roswell a destination for the arts.

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