

# ARTS ADMINISTRATOR FORUMS

Mentoring  
Presented via Zoom  
April 20, 2021  
11:00AM - 12:30PM.

## PANELIST



**Renee Flagler**  
Executive Director Girls, Inc. Long Island

Renee Daniel Flagler is the Executive Director of Girls Inc. of Long Island, whose mission is to empower girls to be strong, smart and bold. Renee is a 2017 fellow of the national Nonprofit Executive Leadership Academy and also received a Certificate in Organizational and Community Leadership from the Center for Nonprofit Leadership with Adelphi University's School of Social Work.

Renee lives by the mantra, 'service is our human duty' and spends much of her time serving her community. She is a mentor with the Adelphi University Mentorship Program and has started a self-named scholarship program for students pursuing degrees in writing and social justice. She has received numerous awards for her service and being an outstanding professional, writer, and speaker. Renee has also been recognized as one of Long Island Business News' Top 50 Women in Business.

Renee currently serves on the Board of Directors for AFPLI and Life's Worc. She is a former board member for The National Coalition of One Hundred Black Women, Long Island Chapter, Inc and formerly served as the founding board chair for LEAP (Literacy Empowerment Action Project) Global.



**Felicity Hogan**  
Director NYFA Learning

Born in the United Kingdom, Felicity Hogan was originally trained as an artist. Since residing in the United States she expanded her skills to arts administration and curating with over 15 years experience in commercial, alternative and non-profit spaces. Ms. Hogan is the Director of NYFA Learning at the New York Foundation for the Arts (NYFA) where she provides professional development programs for artists and arts administrators in all disciplines. Since 2013, she has overseen the Emerging Leaders program that has served over 150 arts administrators in the NYC area. She is also the Co-Editor of *The Profitable Artist* (Allworth Press 2018) now in its 2nd Edition.

Ms. Hogan is committed to fostering community and supporting the arts through numerous activities at institutions in New York and nationwide, including her presence on advisory boards at EFA Project

Space and Culture Push, and regular participation in panels such as New York State Council on the Arts, presenting lectures and workshops and visiting guest critic.

Felicity participated in Coro NY's Immigrant Civic Leadership Program and the NAMAC's Leadership Institute for Visual Arts Organizations across the United States.



**Therese Nielsen**

Department Head of the Adult & Reference Services  
Huntington Public Library

Thérèse Purcell Nielsen is the Department Head of the Adult and Reference Services Department at the Huntington Public Library and has supervised the CANDID/Foundation Center's Funding Information Network (FIN) resources there for more than ten years. During those years, she has prioritized building relationships between funders and grant seekers in the community as well as between the FIN and local grant makers. Her outreach efforts include presenting on grant seeking resources at local colleges, school districts, professional conferences and to community groups. Thérèse is certified both as a Foundation Directory Online (FDO) expert and FDO trainer expert and reviews and has been a columnist for a variety of professional and book review journals.

**MODERATOR**



**Ama Yawson**

Founder, President & Principal of Milestales

Ama Karikari-Yawson, Esq. is on a mission to heal the world through storytelling. She is the author of several best-selling books which she regularly dramatically performs in her training sessions on issues as varied as cultural sensitivity, diversity, bullying prevention, and personal finance. Through her company, Milestales Publishing and Education, Ama and a network of other authors, artists, and thought-leaders provide empowering books, performances, assemblies, training sessions, and enrichment programs to schools, universities, and corporations.