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ANTON ART CENTER WELCOMES MATT MATTHEWS AS NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Mount Clemens, MI – The Anton Art Center has named Matt Matthews as its new Executive Director.

With more than a decade of experience in nonprofit leadership, Matthews most recently served for five years with Playworks Michigan, two as Associate Director. While at Playworks, Matthews established sustainable program expansion to new geographies across Michigan while rebuilding and repairing partnerships lost during the COVID-19 Pandemic. Matthews worked with diverse communities, building relationships with key stakeholders and collaborating on programs that promote social equity. He also developed strategic partnerships with individual donors, professional sports teams, corporations, and foundations.

“I am excited for the opportunity to join the Anton Art Center, an organization with such a rich and impactful 50+ -year history in Mount Clemens,” said Matthews. “I am particularly inspired by my discussions with the Board and members of the Team. Their sincere and intentional desire to be a hub of culture and community in Macomb County and across Southeast Michigan is inspiring. I look forward to contributing my experience as a relationship builder and fundraiser to help the organization grow in its program and financial goals.”

An experienced leader with a passion for finding creative solutions to difficult problems, building trusting relationships, and thinking strategically to reach radical and transformative goals, Matthews has served as a Michigan State Court Administrative Office qualified mediator and specialist in conflict resolution, facilitating training for diverse groups of participants throughout the Midwest.

He earned his bachelor’s degree from Central Michigan University and a master’s degree from Northwest Missouri State University focused on team development and group dynamics.



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The Anton Art Center is a registered 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization located at 125 Macomb Place, Mount Clemens, Michigan, with a mission to enrich and inspire people of all ages through the arts.

The Anton Art Center (AAC) was founded in 1969 in the historic Carnegie Library building in walkable downtown Mount Clemens, Michigan. The AAC aims to build an open community around creative expression by presenting a wide array of programming to appeal to diverse audiences, providing support for the arts and becoming a focal point for arts programming, and working towards inclusion, diversity, equity, and access in all that we do. Our mission is to enrich and inspire people of all ages through the arts. Our funders include the Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan, the Kresge Foundation, Michigan Arts and Culture Council, the Erb Family Foundation, and the National Endowment for the Arts.

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