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Four New Members Appointed to Board of Directors
of Museum of the African Diaspora (MoAD) in San Francisco

San Francisco, CA, June 18, 2019 — The Museum of the African Diaspora (MoAD) announces the appointment of four new members to its Board of Directors: Jill Cowan, Beryl Crumpton Potter, Monetta White, and Ammanuel Zegeye.

“We are so pleased to welcome these four dynamic community leaders to our Board,” says Peggy Woodford Forbes, Vice Chair, Board of Directors, MoAD. “Their combined experience in business and non-profit leadership here in the Bay Area adds a tremendous depth to the governance of MoAD and ensures that our unique and important institution will continue to thrive well into the future.”

Jill Cowan is a Bay Area philanthropist, art collector, and community activist. Cowan sits on the board of the YMCA of San Francisco and the national board of Summer Search. She is a San Francisco University High School Trustee and a member of Jack & Jill of America. Cowan is the wife of Stephen Davis, founding Managing Partner at Banneker Partners and an active investor in technology companies since 2000. Cowan is a graduate of Wellesley College. She and her husband reside in San Francisco.

Beryl Crumpton Potter is an attorney with experience in board governance, advocacy, fundraising, and planning. She has worked with professional, civic, political, and community boards, organizations, and committees on the local, state, and national level. While actively running her private practice from 1996-2003, she engaged in labor and employment, civil rights, and family law. She served as Senior Trial Attorney for the Department of Child Support Services from 2003-2006. Potter is Co-Chair of the Board of Trustees of St. Paul’s Episcopal School in Oakland and is a member of the Oakland Bay Area Chapter of the Links, Incorporated and Jack and Jill of America.

Monetta White, a native San Franciscan has strong ties to the city both personally and professionally. In 2007 when she and husband Chef David Lawrence opened 1300 on Fillmore, the duo were excited by the opportunity to help revive the neighborhood through good food and music. For the past ten years, White’s business savvy and passion for food and community continues on with her opening 1300 on Fillmore at SFO International Airport. White manages and oversees all business operations and marketing for the restaurant group. White has been recognized for her knowledge and leadership by the City of San Francisco, for which she served
as Vice President of the Small Business Commission. She sits on the board of directors for several non-profit and business organizations including SF Travel.

Ammanuel Zegeye is an Associate Partner at McKinsey & Company where he advises industrial, technology and public sector clients across strategy, corporate finance, and operations topics. From 2015 to 2017, Zegeye focused on economic development with McKinsey in Ethiopia, growing the Addis Ababa office and advising clients on investment and industrialization strategy. Zegeye started his career as a financial analyst at Goldman Sachs in New York. Zegeye holds an MBA from the Stanford Graduate School of Business and an undergraduate degree in Economics and Economic History from Haverford College and the London School of Economics. In addition, Zegeye is a member of the Robert S. Brookings Society.

ABOUT MoAD

Opened in 2005 in San Francisco’s Yerba Buena arts district, MoAD, a contemporary art museum, celebrates Black cultures, ignites challenging conversations, and inspires learning through the global lens of the African Diaspora.

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