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Halifax – The Maritime Conservatory Board of Governors is pleased to announce the appointment of Keith McPhail to the newly-created position of General Manager, effective October 1. He will guide the Conservatory's daily operations, and support program delivery to the students. In these pursuits, he will collaborate with the Deans of the Schools of Music and Dance, the Kindermusik department and the Board of Governors.

McPhail's extensive arts experience includes management positions with Neptune Theatre, Neptune Theatre School and Halifax Dance, and Program Officer at the former Nova Scotia Cultural Network. He was Halifax Regional Municipality's inaugural Cultural Officer, and most recently was Business Development Manager for BioNova, the provincial Life Sciences Industry Association.

His involvement in arts and community capacity-building and collaborative projects included board roles for the Creative City Network of Canada and Imagine Bloomfield Association, as well as coordinating the Hfx Art Map. He has contributed work as a researcher and author to national arts and culture studies such as Under Construction (report on cultural infrastructure in Canada) led by the Centre of Expertise on Culture and Communities at Simon Fraser University, BC.

He holds undergraduate degrees in Microbiology and English from University of King's College, a certificate in Non-profit Sector Leadership and a Masters in Public Administration from Dalhousie University.

Reflecting on his new role at the Conservatory, Keith McPhail said, "I look forward to engaging in the great work carried out by this respected institution. Promoting arts education is a personal passion and as such, I am honoured to work at highlighting and maintaining the Conservatory's excellent programs and furthering the benefits produced for students, supporters and the community." Keith can be reached at gm@maritimeconservatory.com or 902-423-8233.

The Maritime Conservatory of Performing Arts is a centre for learning about the performing arts located in Halifax, Nova Scotia. We have provided high quality instruction for instrumental music, voice, dance and theatre students since our inception in 1887. Our mission is to provide an accessible and comprehensive performing arts program for students of all ages and levels of ability, inspiring a lifelong interest in the arts. We support students whose goal is personal enjoyment, as well as those who aspire to a professional career in performance.

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