

# National Assembly of State Arts Agencies

## KNOWLEDGE ★ REPRESENTATION ★ COMMUNITY

### Agenda People of Color Affinity Group Meeting

Wednesday, February 10, 2021  
4:00 – 5:00pm EST

#### Zoom Call Instructions

<https://zoom.us/j/91305801276?pwd=cEI3Um9jK3FYdTNvU0RFVUIBMnBSZz09&from=addon>

Meeting ID: 913 0580 1276

Passcode: 571877

Call-in number: +1 301-715-8592

- I. Welcome and Land Acknowledgement**  
Pam Breau, President and CEO, NASAA
- II. Introduction of Past National Youth Poet Laureate Amanda Gorman's Inauguration Poem "The Hill We Climb"**  
Carla Du Pree, Advisor, PoC Affinity Group
- III. "The Hill We Climb" (video)**  
Amanda Gorman, Past National Youth Poet Laureate (April 2017 – April 2018)
- IV. Meeting Torrie Allen**  
Speaker Introduction: Encarnacion Teruel, Co-chair, PoC Affinity Group  
Guest speaker: Torrie Allen, President and CEO, Arts Midwest
- V. Q & A and Group Discussion**  
Lead by Abigail Gómez, Co-chair, PoC Affinity Group
- VI. Closing and Next Steps**  
Marisa Summers, Assistant to the President and Board Administrator, NASAA

#### Resources

[Arts and Creativity Strengthen Our Nation: A Narrative and Message Guide](#)

A new messaging guide that is custom-made for our field which contains messages proven to be effective in motivating your elected officials—whether progressive, centrist or conservative—to support public funding for the arts.

[The Arts And Culture Sector's Contributions to Economic Recovery and Resiliency in the United States](#)

Highlights from Douglas S. Noonan, professor at Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis empirical study to explore how the arts economy fares through economic downturns and its influence on economic trends.

[BIPOC Surviving Predominantly White Institutions](#)

A series created by Black, Indigenous, People of Color for Black, Indigenous, People of Color who survived and are surviving Predominantly White Institutions.