

Gerard Place Announces Three New Board Members

Gerard Place has named Marielle Foster, Antionette McClain and Alexis Webster to its board of directors.



Marielle Foster is Supervisor of Buffalo Public Schools Adult Education Division with 17 years of experience in the field of education. Throughout her career, she's had the privilege of working with a wide range of learners and brings to the Board significant educational experiences working with out of school youth and adult learners returning to school. In every role, Marielle has been committed to creating inclusive and supportive learning environments where every learner feels valued and empowered to succeed.

Antionette McClain is an experienced office administrator who most recently served as the Mobile Market Procurement Coordinator at Massachusetts Avenue Project. Prior to that she worked at Gold Wynn and Myles R. Firey & Co., Inc. Antionette brings with her to the Board a deep knowledge of effectively providing food to those in need in our community and her detail-oriented organization skills. She also volunteers her time with numerous other community organizations.



Alexis Webster is the Major Gifts Officers at Buffalo Olmsted Parks Conservancy. Prior to that she was the Community Relations Coordinator at Gerard Place.

Alexis has first-hand knowledge of the critical mission of Gerard Place and the important role it plays in the community. She is a Leadership Buffalo Rising Leaders 2021 graduate and a member of the Karen Lee Spaulding Oishei Leaders of Color.

Officers of the Gerard Place Board of Directors for 2024 are: Mary Lorianne Tylczynski, CSSF, Chairperson; Edith Wyss, OSF, Vice Chairperson; Amy F. Bradley, CPA, Treasurer; Bonita Slimko, Secretary.