

**P.S.1 Contemporary Art Center**

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**AGNES GUND APPOINTED CHAIRMAN OF P.S.1  
CONTEMPORARY ART CENTER'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS****Dana Farouki and Beth Swofford Join P.S.1's Board of Directors**

**(Long Island City, NY — June 29, 2009)** Agnes Gund has been appointed Chairman of the Board of Directors at P.S.1 Contemporary Art Center, succeeding Peter Norton, who served in that capacity since 2003. As Board Chairman, Ms. Gund will continue to strengthen and expand P.S.1's Board, and will work closely with the management team of P.S.1, which became an affiliate of The Museum of Modern Art in 2000. Ms. Gund, who is also President Emerita of MoMA and Chairman of its International Council, is a longtime Board member who has been involved with P.S.1 since the early 1980s.

A renowned philanthropist and collector of modern and contemporary art, Ms. Gund is also currently Chairman of the Mayor's Cultural Affairs Advisory Commission of New York City, is Founder and a Trustee of Studio in a School Association, and currently serves on the boards of Chess in the Schools, the Foundation for Contemporary Arts, the Foundation for Art and Preservation in Embassies, The Frick Collection, and Socrates Sculpture Park, among others.

Dana Farouki and Beth Swofford have recently joined P.S.1's Board of Directors. Ms. Farouki is Founding Chair of The Student Body, P.S.1's young affiliate group; a trustee of Creative Time; a founding member of the Executive Committee of Art Dubai; and works in a curatorial capacity for the Guggenheim Museum's Abu Dhabi project. Ms. Swofford is a motion picture agent with Creative Artists Agency (CAA) in Los Angeles, an art collector, a committee member of MoMA's Department of Media and Performance Art, and a member of the Board of Trustees at the Museum of Contemporary Art (MOCA), Los Angeles.

**P.S.1 Contemporary Art Center****Background:**

P.S.1 Contemporary Art Center is one of the largest and oldest organizations in the United States solely devoted to contemporary art. Established in 1976 by Alanna Heiss, P.S.1 originated from The Institute for Art and Urban Resources, a not-for-profit organization founded five years prior with the mission of turning abandoned, underutilized buildings in New York City into artist studios and exhibition spaces. P.S.1 became an affiliate of The Museum of Modern Art in 2000.

**Support:**

Operations and programs of P.S.1 are supported by the P.S.1 Board of Directors; the New York City Department of Cultural Affairs; Helen M. Marshall, Queens Borough President; The Council of the City of New York; and the P.S.1 Annual Fund, supported by The Horace W. Goldsmith Foundation, David Teiger, Union Beer Distributors, Dorothy

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**Directions:**

P.S.1 Contemporary Art Center is located at 22-25 Jackson Avenue at 46th Avenue in Long Island City, Queens, across the Queensboro Bridge from midtown Manhattan. It is easily accessible by bus and subway. Traveling by subway, visitors should take either the E or V to 23 Street-Ely Avenue (note that the V does not run on weekends); the 7 to 45 Road-Courthouse Square; or the G to Court Square or 21 Street-Van Alst. Visitors may also take the Q67 bus to Jackson and 46th Avenues or the B61 to Jackson Avenue.

**Hours:**

P.S.1 is open from 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Thursday through Monday. It is closed on Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Years Day.

- artbook@PS1 is open from 1:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., Thursday through Sunday.
- LeRosier Café is open from 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Thursday through Monday.

**Admission:**

Admission is a \$5.00 suggested donation; \$2.00 for students and senior citizens; free for MoMA members and MoMA admission ticket holders. The MoMA ticket must be presented at P.S.1 within thirty days of date on ticket and is not valid during Warm Up or other P.S.1 events or benefits.

**Web Sites:**

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