



Young Donor Society Steering Committee

Arts & Science Council's Young Donor Society

Arts & Science Council (ASC) seeks to ensure access to an excellent, relevant and sustainable cultural community for the Charlotte-Mecklenburg region and envisions a vibrant cultural life for all.

The Young Donor Society (YDS) is for individuals who identify as age 40 or under and who support ASC with a gift of \$500 or more.

The YDS Steering Committee is an engaged group of emerging leaders who uplift ASC's mission and vision. ASC relies on the YDS Steering Committee to be an ASC advocate among their personal and professional networks, craft meaningful experiences designed to cultivate and steward YDS members and participate in cultural outreach events.

The YDS Steering Committee is open to all current YDS members as well as young professionals intending to reach the YDS giving level within one year of the start of their Steering Committee service.

YDS Steering Committee Initiatives

Play to your strengths, push yourself or gain experience in a new field. Wherever your interest lies, there's a place for you on the YDS Steering Committee!

- **YDS Signature Event Planning**
 - Craft and execute YDS's most high-profile event of the year.
- **Kickoff Connect with Culture Days Planning**
 - Craft and execute the Friday evening, community-wide kickoff to ASC's annual [Connect with Culture Day](#) event.
- **YDS Event Sponsorship Solicitation**
 - Ensure YDS events are as vibrant as possible by asking local business and organizations to partner with YDS through monetary or in-kind support.
- **YDS Engagement**
 - Serve as an extension of ASC's staff by assisting with YDS member stewardship, contributing to the ASC blog and representing YDS at community outreach events.
- **YDS Steering Committee Onboarding**
 - Ensure Steering Committee members' volunteer leadership experience is a meaningful one by overseeing the application process and crafting the Steering Committee social and retreat.



YDS Steering Committee Application

*Please include your name, email address and phone number when submitting your application. Feel free to attach your responses on a separate sheet and limit your responses to **250 words or less**. Please submit all applications to yds@artsandscience.org by **Friday May 17th**.*

1. Why is ASC's mission of access and vision of Culture For All important to you?

2. The YDS Steering Committee is comprised of the 5 initiatives described on the prior page. Steering Committee members are asked to participate in at least 2 but no more than 3 initiatives. Please list the initiatives you're interested in being a part of as well as a brief description why.

3. Is there anything else you would like the current YDS Steering Committee to know?

Incoming YDS Steering Committee members are selected by current YDS Steering Committee Members.

ASC Staff Members are excluded from participating in the selection process.

ASC's YDS Steering Committee is a two-year commitment with an optional third year available upon request. Steering Committee members entering their second year are eligible to apply for the Executive Committee which oversees the initiatives described on the prior page

Steering Committee Application Timeline:

Applications Due: **May 17th**

New Members Announced: **June 17th**

Steering Committee Social: **July 18th** (5:30-7:00; Location is TBD)

Steering Committee Retreat: **July 19th** (9:00am-12:30pm; Location is TBD)