



BOARD OF DIRECTORS



PRESIDENT
TERESA STIRLING FORSYTH

Tess (MFA Dramatic Arts, MS Mgmt. & Leadership) is a former Silicon Valley VP who functions as the Producing Artistic Director for Placer Repertory Theater. Previously, the artistic director for two San Francisco theater companies and founder/board president of an economic development nonprofit, Tess worked as a critically acclaimed director/playwright for national and international touring productions with world-renowned performing artists, such as Brenda Wong Aoki, and Equity theater companies like Dell’Arte Players, which perform in venues such as the Kennedy Center and Hong Kong Performing Arts Center, and received Drama-Logue Awards, Critics Circle Awards, Broadway World Awards, as well as numerous grants from the NEA, NEH, CAC, ACPC and corporations. Winner of the Gloria Burt Fellowship in Literature, Tess is a member of the Dramatists Guild (DG), Stage Directors & Choreographers (SDC), the Association for Theatre in Higher Education (ATHE), and instructs at universities. **FMI: <https://placerrep.org/president/>**



TREASURER
RODGER McDONALD

Currently the Project Management/Construction Director, and formerly the Financial Controller for Western Care Construction, Rodger is a veteran actor and director. His career has spanned more than 5,000 stage appearances and over 250 productions. Rodger hales originally from Los Angeles where he owned Nottingham Players Children’s Theater, which performed for over one million children in seven seasons throughout California, Arizona, and Utah. Rodger performed with The Alley Theater in Houston, Robert Redford’s Sundance Theater, Rod Serling’s Vooheis Theater in New York, and he was selected for the Oregon Shakespeare Summer Shakespeare Company in 1978. He appeared as King James in the National PBS Drama, *Passionate Pilgrim*, recently was featured in a movie with Ellen Green and Kevin Corrigan (2021) and performed in Europe and Asia with the USO in the popular singing group “Collector’s Item.” Among Rodger’s awards are Best Actor Award in the State of Utah and Los Angeles Drama-Logue Award for



SECRETARY
AMANDA L. ROCHA

Amanda Rocha joined the board of directors for Placer Repertory Theater in 2023 and fills the executive office of Board Secretary. Ms. Rocha is a law firm owner in Placer County, practicing Estate Planning and Probate. She started the Law Office of Amanda L. Rocha in 2020. Prior to practicing in this area, she practiced workers’ compensation defense and employment law. Ms. Rocha has a Juris Doctorate in Law from the University of San Francisco, a Bachelor of Arts in History from California State University Stanislaus, and an Associate of Arts in Merchandise Marketing from the Fashion Institute of Design and Merchandising.

As a member of the community, Ms. Rocha is a supporter of the arts and has always enjoyed theatre and dance. She hopes to raise her young son with an appreciation for the same. Her aims as Board Secretary include assisting Placer Repertory Theater with its expansion within Placer County and beyond and by supporting local artists, as well as bringing her unique perspectives to the board room. To contact Ms. Rocha, please visit her website: <https://www.amandarochalaw.com>.



AT-LARGE, NAT’L CHAIR
KATHRYN CARNER

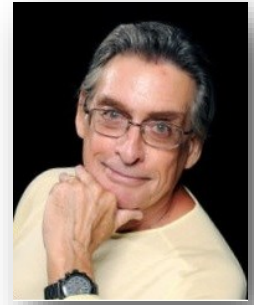
Actor, producer, performance artist and administrator, Kathryn is a graduate of University of Colorado and the internationally renowned Dell’Arte School of Physical Theater. Currently, Ms. Carner is an acting company member of Tim Robbins’ The Actors’ Gang, and the Director of Operations for its Arts in Prison program. She recently co-starred in the ensemble-developed, international touring production *The New Colossus*.

A few of her film credits include acting and producing: *A Foreign Exchange Love* (2014), *Finding Red Cloud* (2008) and *A Night at Sophie’s* (2004).

On behalf of Placer Repertory Theater, Ms. Carner keeps her eye on the national scene and plays a key role as Placer Rep’s new works, that premiere in Placer County, tour regionally and nationally. **FMI: <https://placerrep.org/at-large/>**



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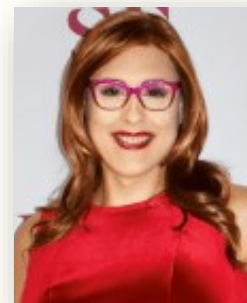
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