



Quinn Feldmann Graeff, President of the VCCA Board of Directors, announced that Joy Peterson Heyrman, Executive Director, will be leaving VCCA on August 31 at the end of her three-year appointment at the Virginia Center for the Creative Arts (VCCA).

Graeff said, "VCCA has been moved forward by the tremendous work done by Joy during her tenure. We are grateful for her many contributions to VCCA: the refresh of the Langhorne Residence, the renovation of the Studio Barn kitchens, the strengthening of our communications, and expanded Annual Giving program and annual fundraising event, as well as her leadership of a comprehensive Strategic Planning process that will chart our path forward. She has been a passionate advocate for our mission, and I know she will continue to be."

Heyrman stated, "VCCA is an extraordinary organization. I have been inspired by the talent of the Fellows, the passion of the staff, and the commitment of members of the Board. It has been an honor to be involved in the life of this fantastic community."

VCCA's Board Treasurer, Kevin O'Halloran, has been appointed as Interim Executive Director by the Board of Directors and will work closely with Deputy Director Sheila Gulley Pleasants, VCCA staff, and Board. O'Halloran comes with broad management and development experience in the non-profit sector, most recently as Executive Director of Charlottesville Opera. "VCCA is a tremendous asset for artists in Virginia and beyond," says O'Halloran. "I am pleased to be in a position to help VCCA in making this transition, and I look forward to working with Joy Heyrman and the board as we do so."