

MEMORANDUM

TO: Partners of Visit Albuquerque

FROM: Ben Abruzzo – President, Sandia Peak Tramway and VP & GM, Ski Santa Fe, Visit Albuquerque Board Nominating Committee & Chair-Elect Visit Albuquerque Board

DATE: June 10, 2024

SUBJECT: Visit Albuquerque Board Nominations

As a partner of Visit Albuquerque, I encourage you to actively determine the leadership of this organization by participating in the annual selection of nominees for our Board of Directors. At our Annual Membership Meeting in September 2024, we will elect a slate of nominees for fiscal year 2025.

In compliance with our bylaws, I have named the following to serve on the Nominating Committee:

Two current board directors:

- Damen Kompanowski, General Manager, Sheraton Albuquerque Uptown
Hospitality/Lodging
- Christine Pauley, Director of Meetings & Conferences, American Society of Radiologic Technologists
General Business

Two Visit Albuquerque partners at-large:

- Danielle Schlobohm, Director of DowntownABQ MainStreet
Hospitality/Non-Lodging
- Sean Jariwala, President & Managing Partner, Ambica Hospitality, LLC.
Hospitality/Lodging

I will serve as Committee Chair. This group will interview nominees and select a slate of candidates for election at the Annual Meeting. It also states in our bylaws that nominations will not be taken from the floor.

We encourage you to participate in the following process:

1. Identify partners, including yourself, who you recommend being considered as Board nominees. Only Visit Albuquerque partners in good standing are eligible to serve on the board. There are three open seats for the FY25 Board from the following industry categories:
 - Hospitality/Lodging w/15,000 feet of meeting space – two seats
 - General Business – one seat

One of the two Hospitality/Lodging seats and one General Business seat are held by incumbents who qualify for a second term.

2. Complete the online Nomination Form and attach a résumé for your candidate. When making your nomination, consider those you believe to be a strong representative of the above industry sectors.

Qualifications and Expectations for Board Directors:

- a) Business or organization must be a Visit Albuquerque partner in good standing;
- b) Passionate about Albuquerque, the destination;
- c) The primary decision maker of their company;
- d) Willing to serve on a high-functioning, working Board;
- e) Available for committee assignments, as needed;
- f) Able to attend Visit Albuquerque events;
- g) Available to attend a Board meeting on the fourth Tuesday of every other month (11:30 am – 1:30 pm) and one annual all-day board retreat;
- h) Desire to work hard toward the best possible leadership in the hospitality industry.

If you have questions about the process or want to discuss your interests, or those of others you may want to recommend, please contact Susie Ross at ross@visitabq.org or call 505-222-4301.

[CLICK HERE TO COMPLETE NOMINATION FORM](#)

FORM SUBMISSION DEADLINE IS JULY 8, 2024

Visit Albuquerque
Annual Membership Meeting
is scheduled for
September 2024