In attendance:

- President: Darcie Champagne Prescott Park Arts Festival, NH
- Vice President: Chloe Powell Barn Arts in Barnard, VT and ALIA Productions
- Treasurer: Vicky Pittman Colonial Theater in Keene, NH
- Adrienne Petrillo NEFA
- Daniela Jacobson- NEFA
- Falyn Elhard NEFA
- Deirdre Valente- NEFA's Center Stage Program
- Shoshana Bass- Sandglass Theatre, VT
- Fiona Coffey- Center for the Arts || Wesleyan University, CT
- Laura Jean (LJ) Gilloux Lebanon Opera House, Events Manager
- Joe Clifford- Lebanon Opera House
- Ben Paulding- Brandeis University, MA
- Don Sheldon- Valley Stage Productions, VT
- Stephanie Scherpf- Terulia/ Somerville Armory, MA
- Eli Levinson- Mundial Montreal, Canada

Eli Levinson eli@mundialmontreal.com

Mundial- world music gather every November Montreal 30 showcasing acts- 1 at a time so everyone can be fully seen by all 10 Canadian- usually Montreal or Toronto based, 20 international with 1-2 from USA World roots network- Private presenter meetings 3 meetings Lots of coordinated block booking among Canadian Presenters Networking, sharing collaborating

Around 250-300 delegates attending for full badges

Other folx can attend some events within the conference

Nov 15th - 18th, 2022 Tuesday - Friday 10am-11pm

Some groups share members/ artists/ agents so there is overlap for booking

Opportunity to connect with more Quebec presenters for booking tours

NEFA- Adrienne/ NEST Grants Update

Deadline Early March- All NEST

NEST 1- Grant support to present New England artists from a different state than you are based- this will support online events and community engagement as well.

* More than 1 deadline

NEST 2- Opportunity to present New England artist in the same state as you but must also have a gig in a different state as a part of that tour

* More than 1 deadline

NEST 3- Artists from anywhere, at least 3 presenters in at least 2 New England States- this might adjust a bit due to Covid.

* Only March deadline

Looking to possibly go back to a 1:1 match Extensions are still being discussed Announcing all of the guidelines in early January with the application becoming available in late January.

NEFA- Deirdre Valente/ Center Stage

Bringing International artists is still being well supported by the State Department Financial Flexibility <u>https://www.nefa.org/grants-programs/center-stage</u>

- Able to really meet presenters where they are and the fees will be within the means, making this international
- Cachitis Now!- LGBTQIA+ Identity inclusive Cumbia band from Argentina summer June/July \$1-2,000 fee for a performance and string 4-5 engagements together within 7-10 day period as a APNNE special project bringing these artists into our communities
 - Doesn't require a huge set-up
 - Community minded, social activists
- Fémina from Buenos Aires- \$5,000 for residency for 3 days in one place
 - Joshua Tree/ Joe's Pub booked
 - <u>www.centerstageus.org</u>

Side note from conversation: 2020 Artists from Performing Arts Global Exchange- MidAtlantic still have some funds for those rescheduled artists- there is an application for that program

Don Sheldon

Symbio- based in Sweden

- Presented at NEFA's Idea Swap
 - a duo- accordion & herdy gerdy, Sept Oct 2022 \$1500-2,000 and educational opportunities open through 2023
 - Accessible instrumentation
 - https://www.symbiomusic.com

Shoshana Bass of Sandglass

Krystal Puppetters- based in Kenya Puppetry, music, drumming, singing Adaptable Looking for third presenter not in VT

Ben Paulding on Brandeis Garifuna Collective

Music, drumming July block Late October/ Early November block- educational focus <u>Sona Jobarteh</u>- cora player from Gambia this Spring March 7th -11th first professional female player ever <u>Kotoko Brass</u>- NEST approved

Chloe Powell from Barnarts

July 28: Dobet Gnahore - looking for NEST partners Aug 11/18: ?? <u>Zili Misik</u> (boston) June 9: Noah Y Maurizio (boston based) <u>https://www.nymacousticnomads.com</u> violin, quatro, cello, bass/ jazz south american influences, all educators July 14: ETE, (alternatively Sep 1) <u>https://etemusiquetrad.com/?lang=en</u> Montreal July 21: Ben Krakauer: banjo, putting together quaret off his original album <u>https://benkrakauer.bandcamp.com/alb</u> Lakou Mizik: (April/May) <u>Mokoomba</u> (spring and summer 23)

Stephanie Scherpf- The Armory Somerville Juana Rosa Sept- Nov 2022

Vicky Pittman- The Colonial Articine- public health and dance theatre https://www.articine.org/