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Louisville Orchestra and Kentucky Author Forum Beneficiaries of a Unique (In)Kind of Philanthropy

Louisville, KY (June 1, 2017)... Louisville Native David Fenley has underwritten fundamental operational assistance to the LO and the KAF by making it possible for both organizations to secure a professional and functional office. While businesses and corporations often give in-kind donations, Fenley has stepped forward as an individual with an innovative and practical gift.

"The Louisville Orchestra and the Kentucky Author Forum are vital parts of our community and I felt it was incumbent upon me to help bring their goals and dreams to fruition by doing what I could to help," said David Fenley, prominent entrepreneur and businessman. "What the LO is doing is changing the orchestral environment, and I want to do what I can to support them."

The LO and KAF have moved administrative offices into the sixth floor of the Doe Anderson Building at 620 West Main Street. The 8,500 square foot office space is a benefit to the administrative operations of both groups because of the proximity to the Kentucky Center for the Arts (KCA). The new space also allows a consolidation of the LO production department by bringing the orchestra's music library and librarian from a basement location in the KCA.

"We wish to thank David Fenley for his vision and generous sponsorship which allowed the Louisville Orchestra to move and operate on Main Street." said Andrew Kipe, Executive Director of the Louisville Orchestra. "When David heard that we desired to be on Main Street, he immediately became involved in making it financially possible for us. Our relocation would not have been possible without his help and we are truly grateful for his patronage."

The LO had been working from ArtSpace at 323 West Broadway since 2008. That office was subsidized and controlled by the Fund for the Arts and enabled collaboration with

other arts groups like Kentucky Shakespeare and Kentucky Opera. As the LO staff has grown and the organization has developed, proximity to the performance venue on Main Street became a greater imperative for the LO.

Mary Moss Greenebaum, founder and producer of the University of Louisville Kentucky Author Forum states: "Finding our new home with the Louisville Orchestra seemed a natural liaison. The music of composers and the words of authors should cohabit amicably. Further, the Orchestra and the Kentucky Author Forum are linked by two other commonalities: overflow audiences in our own community and a presence in the national cultural conversation."

The LO Box Office is open to patrons Monday through Friday from 9AM – 5PM. The University of Louisville Kentucky Author Forum 2017-2018 season will be announced in the Fall.

Open houses will be announced throughout the summer.

**The new address of the Louisville Orchestra
and the University of Louisville Kentucky Author Forum is:**

**620 West Main Street
Suite 600
Louisville, KY 40202**

The Orchestra's main phone number is the same 502.587.8681.

The University of Louisville Kentucky Author Forum phone number is also the same 502.589.2884.

Websites, individual email addresses, and social media outlets have not changed.

David Fenley is a businessman and entrepreneur that has amassed the largest investment grade portfolio of Class A properties in the state of Kentucky. He is a philanthropist who founded UpstartU program to bring advanced sciences, technology and the arts to children in foster care. Fenley is committed to preserving, protecting and promoting Louisville's rich arts heritage and the fields of emerging sciences and technology in Louisville. He is a proud father to an exceptional son, Truman.

The University of Louisville Kentucky Author Forum is a non-profit, nationally-recognized literary event. Author Forum programs carefully match an author and interviewer; their hour-long candid conversation takes place before a live audience at The Kentucky Center in Louisville. The event is taped and distributed by KET, airing as the series "Great Conversations" on PBS member stations across the country. Learn More about KAF here:

<http://www.kentuckyauthorforum.com/>

The **Louisville Orchestra**, under the galvanizing leadership of Music Director Teddy Abrams, performs more than 60 concerts annually throughout the greater Louisville metro. With a primary performance venue of the Kentucky Center for the Performing Arts (501 W. Main, downtown Louisville), the LO offers a variety of orchestral concerts including music from the classical tradition, symphony pops, family concerts and a wide range of "cross-over" and non-traditional music of our time. Learn more about the LO here:: <http://www.louisvilleorchestra.org>