ETA ANNOUNCES NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

THE NEW LOOK OF ETA IS UNDERWAY

ETA UNIVERSITY COMING OUT WITH A BANG

New ED Kenya Thomas says...
“eta is here to stay”

I’m thrilled about what’s ahead of me in our 51st year, I come to reorganize & restructure this robust organization. eta has much to contribute, I am proud and honored to wear this hat. I intend to continue to make Abena’s vision a reality. As an 8-year veteran of eta, I recognize that our historic bones are what got us here, while the development of new arts & education, new job opportunities and bringing on new artist to our stage with electrifying productions & programming will sustain us. As we know, if we want to thrive in the present, we must bring about change. I bring with me a high level of leadership skills & exuberance as I plan for 2022. I look forward to your continued support.

STAY HEALTHY, STAY SAFE & STAY TUNED!!!
"The Beginning"

STARTING FROM THE TOP...

ROOF AND HVAC ASSESSMENT

- Insufficient design
- Holds standing water
- Insufficient number of drains for sq footage
- Multiple levels are not properly redirecting water to drains
- Aging materials
- Leaks and points of infiltration identified
- HVAC units aging and not efficient
ROOF WINTERIZATION COMPLETED DECEMBER 2021
MINIMIZING WATER DAMAGE DURING WINTER

Seal roof ductwork
HVAC Duct wrapping
Stone wrapping

PLUMBING PIPING
WATER ASSESSMENT

- Snake and Camera the drains in October and November
  - Reveals most of the existing flow patterns
  - Blockages in parking lot drains pumped out
  - Deteriorating pipes identified
  - Inadequate access points for maintenance
  - Some areas were unreachable and still TBD on status
- Catch Basin at street (owned by City of Chicago) may be blocked
  - Request must be made by eta to City to check basin – this is in process
"Our Timelines"

ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN TIMELINE

January
- Feasibility and Life Safety study
- Details what MUST be fixed to achieve City codes and regulations and eliminate existing safety concerns

Feb-March
- Kick off Design with Conceptual Design
- Details DESIRED updates to achieve new functionality and drive increased community services and revenue capabilities

April
- Advance Design to Schematic Design
- High level initial layout drawings allowing budgetary construction estimates to begin
- Owner changes can be made with minimal impact
- Owner’s Representative will drive cost and time improvements where possible

May-June
- Finalize Design with Construction Documents
- Detailed drawings required for
  - Final construction estimates
  - City permit approval
  - Grant submission for funds release

Preconstruction Diversity and the Team

Owner’s Representative – Minority Woman Owned
Leads all teams on behalf eta Creative Arts. Ensures all performance.

Construction Manager – Minority Owned
Provides skilled trades to estimate cost and time during design phase

Architecture and Engineering – Minority Woman Owned
Defines design requirements and develops design documents
MONTHLY UPDATES WILL FOLLOW

Project updates provided by vm3 consulting corporation – owner’s representative for ETA Community Arts Foundation

Out with the old look.......stay tuned for the new.

"Say Good-Bye"

Thank You to Our Founders, Past and Present Board Members, Trustees, Funders, Staff & Volunteers For 50 years of Success!!!!
Welcome to the new "eta University"

Register online: www.etacreativearts.org

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DIRECTOR CLASSES  SEWING
ACTING  ENTREPRENEURSHIP
STAGE MANAGEMENT  DJ
3-D PRINTING  MENTAL HEALTH/SELF-ESTEEM
INSTRUMENT - SAXOPHONE  FOR GIRLS 13-16

MASTER PERFORMANCE CLASSES