



United States of America  
National Labor Relations Board  
**NOTICE OF ELECTION**



**PURPOSE OF ELECTION:** This election is to determine the representative, if any, desired by the eligible employees for purposes of collective bargaining with their employer. A majority of the valid ballots cast will determine the results of the election. Only one valid representation election may be held in a 12-month period.

**SECRET BALLOT:** The election will be by SECRET ballot under the supervision of the Regional Director of the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB). A sample of the official ballot is shown on the next page of this Notice. Voters will be allowed to vote without interference, restraint, or coercion. Electioneering will not be permitted at or near the polling place. Violations of these rules should be reported immediately to an NLRB agent. Your attention is called to Section 12 of the National Labor Relations Act which provides: ANY PERSON WHO SHALL WILLFULLY RESIST, PREVENT, IMPEDE, OR INTERFERE WITH ANY MEMBER OF THE BOARD OR ANY OF ITS AGENTS OR AGENCIES IN THE PERFORMANCE OF DUTIES PURSUANT TO THIS ACT SHALL BE PUNISHED BY A FINE OF NOT MORE THAN \$5,000 OR BY IMPRISONMENT FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE YEAR, OR BOTH.

**ELIGIBILITY RULES:** Employees eligible to vote are those described under the VOTING UNIT on the next page and include employees who did not work during the designated payroll period because they were ill or on vacation or temporarily laid off, and also include employees in the military service of the United States who appear in person at the polls. Employees who have quit or been discharged for cause since the designated payroll period and who have not been rehired or reinstated prior to the date of this election are *not* eligible to vote.

**SPECIAL ASSISTANCE:** Any employee or other participant in this election who has a handicap or needs special assistance such as a sign language interpreter to participate in this election should notify an NLRB Office as soon as possible and request the necessary assistance.

**PROCESS OF VOTING:** Upon arrival at the voting place, voters should proceed to the Board agent and identify themselves by stating their name. The Board agent will hand a ballot to each eligible voter. Voters will enter the voting booth and mark their ballot in secret. **DO NOT SIGN YOUR BALLOT.** Fold the ballot before leaving the voting booth, then personally deposit it in a ballot box under the supervision of the Board agent and leave the polling area.

**CHALLENGE OF VOTERS:** If your eligibility to vote is challenged, you will be allowed to vote a challenged ballot. Although you may believe you are eligible to vote, the polling area is not the place to resolve the issue. Give the Board agent your name and any other information you are asked to provide. After you receive a ballot, go to the voting booth, mark your ballot and fold it so as to keep the mark secret. **DO NOT SIGN YOUR BALLOT.** Return to the Board agent who will ask you to place your ballot in a challenge envelope, seal the envelope, place it in the ballot box, and leave the polling area. Your eligibility will be resolved later, if necessary.

**AUTHORIZED OBSERVERS:** Each party may designate an equal number of observers, this number to be determined by the NLRB. These observers (a) act as checkers at the voting place and at the counting of ballots; (b) assist in identifying voters; (c) challenge voters and ballots; and (d) otherwise assist the NLRB.

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**EMPLOYEES ELIGIBLE TO VOTE:**

All full-time and regular part-time employees employed by the Employer who were employed by the Employer during the payroll period ending October 6, 2019.

**EMPLOYEES NOT ELIGIBLE TO VOTE:**

Traveling Exhibitions Manager, Director of Partnerships, office clerical employees, guards, and professional employees and supervisors as defined in the Act.

**OTHERS PERMITTED TO VOTE:** The parties have agreed that Public and Media Relations Manager Kelly Barclay, Director of Foundation & Corporate Relations Allison Sribarra, Annual Fund & Membership Manager Josiah Jacobus-Parker, and Museum Greeter Gwen Gallagher may vote in the election, but their ballots will be challenged since their eligibility has not been resolved. No decision has been made regarding whether the individuals in these classifications or groups are included in, or excluded from, the bargaining unit. The eligibility or inclusion of these individuals will be resolved, if necessary, following the election.

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**DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF ELECTION**

Thursday, October 24, 2019	11:00a.m. to 1:30 p.m.	Basement Conference Room, 601 1 <sup>ST</sup> Street, Ithaca, New York
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**EMPLOYEES ARE FREE TO VOTE AT ANY TIME THE POLLS ARE OPEN.**

The ballots from the October 24, 2019 voting session will be impounded by the National Labor Relations Board and co-mingled and counted in the basement conference room at the Employer's facility located at 601 1<sup>ST</sup> Street, Ithaca, New York at 11:00 a.m. on November 8, 2019.

	<p><b>UNITED STATES OF AMERICA</b> National Labor Relations Board 03-RC-249243</p> <p><b>OFFICIAL SECRET BALLOT</b></p> <p>For certain employees of <b>SCIENCENTER DISCOVERY MUSEUM</b></p>	
Do you wish to be represented for purposes of collective bargaining by <b>WORKERS UNITED?</b>		
MARK AN "X" IN THE SQUARE OF YOUR CHOICE		
<p><b>YES</b></p> <input data-bbox="418 1430 553 1528" type="checkbox"/>	<p><b>NO</b></p> <input data-bbox="1065 1430 1200 1528" type="checkbox"/>	
<p><b>IF YOU ARE CASTING THIS BALLOT MANUALLY, AT A POLLING PLACE WITH A BOARD AGENT PRESENT, follow these Instructions:</b></p> <p><b>DO NOT SIGN THIS BALLOT. Fold and drop in ballot box. If you spoil this ballot, return it to the Board agent for a new one.</b></p> <p><b>IF YOU ARE CASTING THIS BALLOT BY MAIL: See enclosed instructions.</b></p> <p>The National Labor Relations Board does not endorse any choice in this election. Any markings that you may see on any sample ballot have not been put there by the National Labor Relations Board.</p>		

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- **Form, join, or assist a union**
- **Choose representatives to bargain with your employer on your behalf**
- **Act together with other employees for your benefit and protection**
- **Choose not to engage in any of these protected activities**
- **In a State where such agreements are permitted, the Union and Employer may enter into a lawful union-security agreement requiring employees to pay periodic dues and initiation fees. Nonmembers who inform the Union that they object to the use of their payments for nonrepresentational purposes may be required to pay only their share of the Union's costs of representational activities (such as collective bargaining, contract administration, and grievance adjustment).**

It is the responsibility of the National Labor Relations Board to protect employees in the exercise of these rights.

**The Board wants all eligible voters to be fully informed about their rights under Federal law and wants both Employers and Unions to know what is expected of them when it holds an election.**

**If agents of either Unions or Employers interfere with your right to a free, fair, and honest election the election can be set aside by the Board. When appropriate, the Board provides other remedies, such as reinstatement for employees fired for exercising their rights, including backpay from the party responsible for their discharge.**

The following are examples of conduct that interfere with the rights of employees and may result in setting aside of the election:

- **Threatening loss of jobs or benefits by an Employer or a Union**
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- **An Employer firing employees to discourage or encourage union activity or a Union causing them to be fired to encourage union activity**
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The National Labor Relations Board protects your right to a free choice.

**Improper conduct will not be permitted. All parties are expected to cooperate fully with this Agency in maintaining basic principles of a fair election as required by law.**

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**METHOD AND DATE OF ELECTION**

Part of the election will be conducted by United States mail. The mail ballot will be mailed to the Public and Media Relations Manager on Thursday, October 24, 2019, from the National Labor Relations Board, Region 03, 130 S Elmwood Ave, Ste 630, Buffalo, NY 14202-2465. The voter must sign the outside of the envelope in which the ballot is returned. **Any ballot received in an envelope that is not signed will be automatically void.**

If the Public and Media Relations Manager did not receive a ballot in the mail by October 31, 2019, they should communicate immediately with the National Labor Relations Board by either calling the Region 03 Office at (716)551-4931 or our national toll-free line at 1-844- 762-NLRB (1-844- 762-6572).

All ballots will be commingled and counted in the basement conference room of the Employer's facility, located at 601 1<sup>st</sup> Street, Ithaca, New York on Friday, November 8, 2019 11:00 a.m. In order to be valid and counted, the returned ballot must be received in the Region 03 Office prior to the counting of the ballots.

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