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RiNo Art District Appoints Edwin Rapp Chief Financial Officer

Rapp brings more than 25 years of finance, operations and administration executive leadership to the arts nonprofit

DENVER (July XX, 2023) – [RiNo Art District](#), a 501(c)(6) nonprofit arts organization dedicated to fostering a welcoming, creative community where a diversity of artists, residents and businesses thrive, recently announced the hire of Edwin Rapp to serve as the organization’s Chief Financial Officer.

“As a seasoned leader with decades of proven financial management and operations expertise, Ed will support the stewardship of RiNo’s resources and expand our ability to strategically fund and support the arts community,” said Charity Von Guinness, executive director of RiNo Art District. “We’re confident Ed’s deep appreciation for the arts community, combined with his financial leadership, will help us continue to foster a thoughtful, inclusive approach to growth in our District.”

Prior to joining the RiNo team, Rapp served as the CFO for SourceNRG, Colorado’s largest residential solar company. There, Ed led SourceNRG in growing into a fully integrated sales, design, engineering, operations, procurement, and installation company. Through this process, he designed, implemented and directed the activities of accounting, finance, law, operations, compliance, sales support and more.

In addition to his contributions to SourceNRG, Rapp spent two decades as principal at Golden Buffalo Professional Services, collaborating closely with mid-to large-sized client management teams to create innovative solutions through enhanced strategic planning and skilled leadership.

“Over the last 25 years, I’ve had the unique opportunity to help build a strong financial infrastructure for clients across a wide variety of industries,” said Rapp. “I understand the challenges and opportunities that come with operating a large nonprofit organization and look forward to bring my experience to bear across the RiNo family of organizations. On a more personal note, an artist myself, I am thrilled to contribute to not only the growth and success of this organization, but the entire creative community here in the RiNo Art District.”

Ed received a bachelor’s degree in finance from the University of Colorado, Boulder a Master’s degree in Telecommunications Management from Webster University, St. Louis and is also a Certified Internal Control Auditor.

This is the second major hire for the RiNo organization in as many months. RiNo recently brought on Sarah Cawrse as special projects director. The hires follow the appointment of Charity Von Guinness as the organization's executive director in late 2022. To learn more about the RiNo team and key initiatives, visit riNoartdistrict.org.



About RiNo Art District

RiNo Art District is a 501(c)(6) nonprofit organization dedicated to fostering a welcoming, creative community where a diversity of artists, residents and businesses thrive. The district is inclusive of five historical neighborhoods: Globeville, Elyria-Swansea, Five Points and Cole. Over the last decade, RiNo Art District has helped form both a Business Improvement District (BID) and General Improvement District (GID) and a community arts educational nonprofit (Keep RiNo Wild) to support the local community. Together, the RiNo Art District family of organizations fund and support the Denver community through advocacy, infrastructure improvements, artist support, community programming, business support, and events. To learn more, please visit rinoartdistrict.org and follow on Facebook and Instagram at @rinoartdistrict and Twitter at @rinoart.

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