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Taipei 10055, Taiwan

Dear Headquarters:

I write today to nominate USITT's Vice-President for International Activities **Kevin Rigdon** to serve as a member of the **OISTAT Executive Committee**. Kevin has been highly active in the Institute for many years and is a consistent advocate for USITT's international involvement. While only recently appointed to serve as Vice-President for International Activities and Head of the USITT OISTAT Centre, his impact on our organization is already being felt. He is leading the charge for changes in our operating procedures to both increase member involvement in international activities and to assure healthy turn over across the board for those involved.

As a part of his many years of service throughout our organization, Rigdon most recently served as curator for the 2015 United States entry in the Prague Quadrennial. He worked hard to lead the design and execution team to focus the exhibit on both the breadth and the depth of theatrical design in this country, while at the same time maintaining a strong vision for the thematic design of the exhibit itself. He is recognized throughout the world as an outstanding designer, a trusted colleague, and a dedicated bridge-builder. He is always working at connecting diverse individuals through their common passion for theatre to achieve their highest success possible. He would be an outstanding member of the OISTAT Executive Committee, effectively advocating the critical partnerships necessary for both of our organizations to advance.

The Institute stands ready to support the travel required for Rigdon to be fully engaged in the life of OISTAT and can confirm that his working language is English.

Thank you in advance for your careful consideration of this nomination and, as always, should you require any additional information do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark Shanda", written over a light blue horizontal line.

Mark Shanda, President
United States Institute for Theatre Technology
Professor of Theatre
The Ohio State University