

Monday 25 April 2022

Caro Newling appointed a Trustee of Chichester Festival Theatre

The theatre producer Caro Newling has joined the Board of Chichester Festival Theatre.

Caro Newling has had a long career in theatre and production and currently oversees Neal Street Productions' theatrical development and production. Caro co-established and ran the Donmar Warehouse with Sam Mendes from 1992 – 2002, producing over 70 productions with multiple transfers to the West End and Broadway. She previously held roles with the Royal Shakespeare Company, The Almeida Theatre, Ballet Rambert, The Royal Opera House/Sadler's Wells Royal Ballet and Polka Theatre.

Caro is currently Chair of the Linbury Prize for Stage Design. She was President of the Society of London Theatre 2014 – 2017 and a trustee of the National Theatre 2003 – 2010; her previous board memberships included Adventures in Motion Pictures and Made in Brighton.

In 2017 Caro Newling was made an Honorary Fellow of the Royal Welsh College of Music & Drama, and in 2018 she was awarded an OBE in recognition of her services to Drama.

Mark Foster, Chair of Chichester Festival Theatre, said: 'We are delighted to be welcoming Caro to our Board – not least since she is a West Sussex resident. We are looking forward to taking advantage of her expertise, experience and insight across many dimensions, in taking the organisation to the next level.'

Caro Newling said: 'I'm honoured to be joining as a Trustee of CFT. Daniel Evans and Kathy Bourne lead an exemplary team in producing an ever-evolving programme for an ever-evolving audience. It's a busy enterprise. Alongside the iconic annual Festival, CFT's invaluable learning, education and participation activity engages with 700 young people weekly through the county-wide youth theatre, alongside extensive work with young unaccompanied asylum seekers, young carers and pupils disengaged with formal learning.'

And this is just the tip of the iceberg in terms of CFT's reach to its local community. Music not just to my ears!

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