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ENZIAN HIRES DAVID SCHILLHAMMER AS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Orlando, FL (January 5, 2017) – Sigrid Tiedtke, Chairman of Enzian Theater, announced today, “After a national and regional search, Enzian Theater is proud to name David Schillhammer as our new Executive Director. I can think of no better way for us to settle into our third decade than to have David lead us through this time of opportunity.”

“After a very serious search for an Executive Director, we could not be more confident or excited to have David join our Enzian family,” Executive Vice President, Elizabeth Mukherjee said. “Many brilliant minds have helped refine Enzian into the successful art house theater it is today and with David's leadership Enzian will be elevated to a whole new level. David's decades of experience and life-long passion for the arts will undoubtedly expand Enzian's mission to entertain, inspire, educate, and connect the community through film.”

David Schillhammer most recently served as Executive Director of the Orlando Philharmonic for 16 years. Prior to that, he held the same position with the San Antonio Symphony for six years. In addition, he was the Operations and Education Manager at the Saint Paul Chamber Orchestra before being promoted to General Manager. However, Schillhammer started his career as Production Manager of the Rochester Philharmonic. A bassoonist, Schillhammer earned his Bachelor's degree in Music from the prestigious Eastman School of Music. He is a native of Burlington, Vermont and was an avid skier.

Schillhammer said of his new position, “I am deeply proud and humbled to be named Executive Director of Enzian Theater. During my 16 years in Central Florida, I have followed and admired Enzian's growing success story. I salute and congratulate President Henry Maldonado, the work of the board, the staff, the large and committed number of volunteers, and of course, its legions of fans who flock to the Enzian for provocative films, whose excellence can have a life-long impact. The Florida Film Festival is one of the largest and most successful of its kind in the country. With that, I can't wait to get to work and join the team to chart the next chapter of Enzian's future.”

Enzian President, Henry Maldonado said, “I have known David for over 10 years, and have seen him represent his staff, his board, his musicians, and not least of all, his customers, with a steady hand and a creative vision. His hard work very impressively championed the Orlando Philharmonic to their current position of importance to our community. Bravo, David. Welcome to Enzian and welcome to the movies!”

Enzian Theater

Enzian is Central Florida's only full-time, not-for-profit cinema for first-run independent and international film, classic revivals, documentary features, and select family entertainment. Enzian, a member-supported organization serving the community for more than 31 years, is home to the Florida Film Festival and Eden Bar. For additional information, visit Enzian.org, call general information at (407) 629-1088, or visit us on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), and [Twitter](#).

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