

# ANNOUNCING LESLEY BRAMHILL'S DEPARTURE

## PWM Announces the upcoming departure of Managing Director Lesley Bramhill

It is with gratitude for her dedication to our community that the Board of Directors announces Lesley Bramhill's departure from her position as the Managing Director of Playwrights' Workshop Montréal.

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*"The announcement of Lesley's departure leaves us with many emotions: the sadness to see her go, the gratitude for her continuous work at PWM and commitment to the arts, as much as the excitement for her as she starts a new amazing opportunity." -- Tiffanie Guffroy,*

**Treasurer of PWM**

Lesley stepped into the role of General Manager with PWM in 2016. Collaborating with former Executive and Artistic Director Emma Tibaldo, Lesley impacted PWM's sphere greatly. Her accomplishments include helping to move the organization into its location at 7250 Clark, helping to double the organization's operating budget, and collaborating on expanding PWM's programming and operations. She also collaborated with her colleagues in arts advocacy in

Quebec and Montreal to help advance the English language arts sector. In 2019, she was awarded the Unsung Hero of the Theatre award at the META's, specifically for this work.

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*“Thank you. Over the last five and a half years, I have learned so much from PWM’s staff, board, artists and community. I am really excited for my next adventure, and will miss all of you dearly.*

*It has been an honour to help grow PWM to where it is today, and I am proud of the new co-leadership model I am leaving behind. I know the organization’s future is strong, with our current board, staff and Sarah’s leadership in place.”*

**-Lesley Bramhill**

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In 2021, after five years as the General Manager at PWM, Lesley was appointed Managing Director of Playwrights’ Workshop Montréal, creating the first co-leadership team with Artistic Director Fatma Sarah Elkashef. On Lesley’s time at Playwrights’ Workshop Montréal, Sarah notes that:

***“Lesley’s work has helped transform PWM in profound ways over the past 5.5 years. I am sad to see my co-leader go but very grateful to her and the Board for creating this new dynamic structure for PWM. Lesley’s positive impact will be felt for a long time to come. We will miss you and wish you all good things, Lesley!” -- Fatma Sarah Elkashef, Artistic Director at PWM.***

Lesley's presence, leadership, and passion will be deeply missed by her colleagues, our Board of Directors, and the Montréal theatre community as a whole. We would like to extend the warmest thank you to Lesley for her role in advancing artistic practice at PWM.

Lesley's last day at PWM is on February 18, 2022. Our team and board are already working towards the recruitment of a new Managing Director, who will work alongside Fatma Sarah Elkashef. We are confident that this new chapter for PWM will be fruitful and are excited for the artistic collaborations and creations to come.

You can view the job posting for Managing Director here:

<https://www.playwrights.ca/2022/02/10/job-posting-managing-director/>