

The Robert Maass Award 2014 OUTSTANDING CORPORATION

MetLife Foundation

MetLife, Inc. is a leading global provider of insurance, annuities and employee benefit programs, serving 90 million customers. Through its subsidiaries and affiliates, MetLife holds leading market positions in the United States, Japan, Latin America, Asia, Europe, the Middle East and Africa. MetLife Foundation was created in 1976 to continue MetLife's longstanding tradition of corporate contributions and community involvement. Today, the Foundation is dedicated to advancing financial inclusion, helping to build a secure future for individuals and communities around the world. Since it was established, MetLife Foundation has provided more than \$530 million in grants to a wide range of charitable organizations and nonprofit agencies.

Among other funding areas, MetLife Foundation has supported its Access to the Arts Program, recognizing that the arts make communities better places to live by bringing people together to learn and share. Committed to providing access to the arts via community-level programming that engages individuals of all ages, backgrounds and cultures, MetLife Foundation has provided support for the Arts Connects All Initiative (arts programs providing access and inclusion for students with disabilities), Museum and Community Connections program (encouraging outreach programs at art museums across the USA), Music Connections (free musical performances and songwriting sessions at healthcare, homeless and senior centers), Smithsonian Institution Travelling Exhibition services

(bringing educational outreach programs to wider communities), among others.

Morris Arts' Pumpkin Illumination, established in 2010, has been a fortunate recipient of MetLife Foundation's support since 2012. The Foundation's support enabled Morris Arts to expand this program and increase the event's impact in Morristown and expand the program to Boonton and supported an Arts In Education residency program in both Morristown and Boonton grade schools.

MetLife's support led to the most well-attended and successful Pumpkin Illumination event ever, attracting a diverse audience of over 600 people in Morristown and 150 in Boonton.

Therefore, because of its extraordinary commitment and its embrace of the arts as an essential component of its philanthropy, Morris Arts is pleased to honor MetLife Foundation with its 2014 Outstanding Corporation Award. Accepting the award for MetLife Foundation is Dennis White, President & CEO, MetLife Foundation

NOTE:

Would Dennis please come up for presentation of the award?

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