

**50**  
**YEARS**  
**LAUMEIER**

Position Opportunity

# Executive Director

**Laumeier Sculpture Park**  
St. Louis, Missouri



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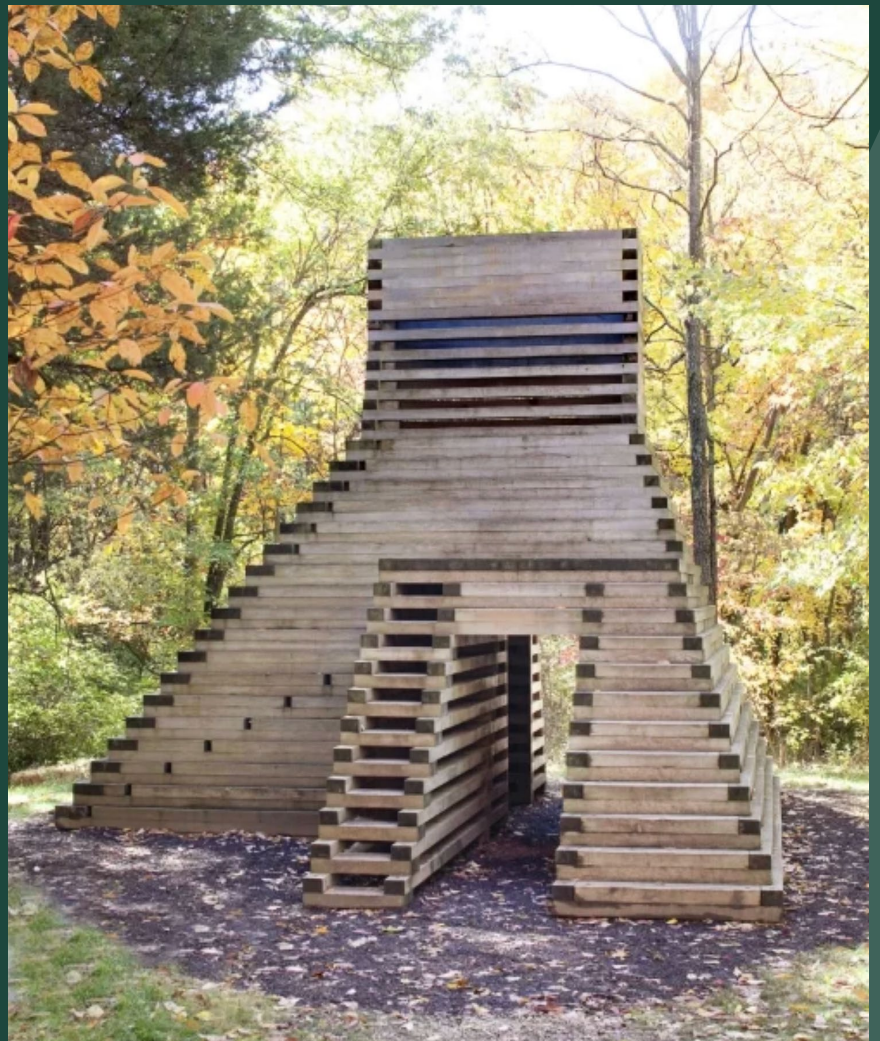
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## Laumeier Sculpture Park, rooted in legacy, ready to grow.

For 50 years, Laumeier has engaged the community at the intersection of art and nature, creating a place where visitors explore, discover, and experience art in unexpected ways. Across its 94 acres, 70+ large-scale outdoor sculptures invite discovery, including works by Alexander Liberman, Richard Hunt, Mary Miss, Marie Watt, Beverly Pepper, Jackie Ferrara, Vito Acconci, Donald Judd, and Niki de Saint Phalle, among many others. With strong attendance, nationally recognized programs, and growing visibility, the organization is well positioned for its next chapter.

Laumeier is seeking a leader who can build on this foundation by strengthening mission alignment, expanding philanthropic support, and bringing a clear and compelling vision for the future.

The next Executive Director will guide Laumeier through a meaningful period of growth, shaping its impact in St. Louis and beyond.



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# The Opportunity

This is a leadership role for someone who is energized by mission and possibility.

The next Executive Director will join a dedicated team and engaged board at a time when the organization is poised for growth. Laumeier offers strong programs, a loyal and expanding audience, and a compelling platform for fundraising and community engagement.

The opportunity is to harness these strengths into a strategy that strengthens financial sustainability, deepens relationships, and elevates Laumeier's visibility and impact.

Laumeier is seeking a leader who will honor a rich history and visibly define Laumeier's future.



**THE ARONSON FINE ART CENTER**  
a welcoming entry point, flexible event space  
and indoor contemporary exhibition gallery.



**LAUMEIER AFTER DARK**  
An immersive nighttime event showcasing  
light-based art installations and performances.

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# Candidate Profile

### Fundraising and External Leadership

A visible and confident fundraiser who can serve as a primary ambassador for Laumeier. This leader will build strong relationships with donors, sponsors, and partners, and help expand a culture of philanthropy. Experience leading or partnering on major gifts, campaigns, and sponsorship strategy is essential.

### Organizational Leadership and Team Alignment

A strong people leader who can build trust, align teams around shared priorities, and create a culture of accountability and collaboration. The Executive Director will empower staff expertise, support clear communication, and establish consistent direction across the organization.

### Strategic and Operational Leadership

A strategic thinker who can translate vision into actionable priorities and bring structure and discipline to organizational systems. This leader will be comfortable managing budgets, aligning resources, and balancing earned and contributed revenue to support long-term sustainability.

### Relationship Builder and Community Presence

A highly effective connector who builds relationships across staff, board, County partners, artists, and the broader community. This leader will be a compelling storyteller who can clearly communicate Laumeier's value and inspire others to invest in its future.

### Public/Private Partnership Leadership

A convener with an ability to work effectively within Laumeier's unique partnership with St. Louis County Parks. Prior public-sector experience is helpful but not required; success will depend on collaboration, communication, and respect for shared goals and structures.

### Leadership Presence

A thoughtful and decisive leader who listens, builds alignment, and moves work forward with clarity and consistency. This individual brings emotional intelligence, sound judgment, and a steady, confident presence.

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### Laumeier Values

#### Art + Nature Together

A deep respect for the intersection of contemporary art and the natural environment

#### Public Access

A commitment to keeping Laumeier welcoming, accessible, and relevant to a broad audience

#### Stewardship

Care for the land, the collection, and the long-term sustainability of the organization

#### Collaboration

Strong, respectful partnerships both internally and externally

#### Accountability

Clear expectations, follow-through, and shared ownership of results

### About the Park

# 94 Acres

Laumeier Sculpture Park is one of the first and largest sculpture parks in the United States and an internationally recognized nonprofit arts organization. Located on 94 acres in St. Louis County, Laumeier presents large-scale outdoor sculpture alongside temporary exhibitions, education programs, and public events.

The organization operates through a unique public/private partnership with St. Louis County Parks and is accredited by the American Alliance of Museums.

### Laumeier At-a-Glance

#### FOUNDED

# 1976

#### COLLECTION

# 70+

 Outdoor sculptures

532 works on paper and an additional 24 sculptures off-view

#### VISITORS

# 360K+

Annually

#### ARTISTS AND ART EDUCATORS

# 450

Engaged annually

#### ART FAIR

# 25K+

Annually

### Financial & Organizational Snapshot

#### OPERATING BUDGET

# \$2.4M

#### IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS

# \$725K

from St. Louis County

#### ENDOWMENT

# \$2.1M

#### STAFF

# 10

 Full-time

# 8

 Part-time

and 50+ seasonal and event staff

#### VOLUNTEERS

# 260

#### BOARD MEMBERS

# 17

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### To Apply

Please send a cover letter and resume to [search@emdconsulting.com](mailto:search@emdconsulting.com) by June 5, 2026. Candidates will be considered on a rolling basis with early applications prioritized.

### Compensation

#### \$135,000 to \$160,000

Laumeier is committed to providing an inclusive and welcoming environment for its staff, visitors, volunteers, subcontractors, vendors and clients.

Benefits package is competitive and includes employer-paid health, dental, life and short-term disability. Health care plan coverage is available to spouses, domestic partners and dependents. Generous PTO.

### Gateway to the West

St. Louis offers affordable living, unique neighborhoods, and global connectivity, paired with cultural diversity, a strong philanthropic community, and endless opportunity. It's a city where strong leadership can make a visible difference.

At Laumeier Sculpture Park, you'll go to work in a beautiful park every day, leading a distinctive institution and building on its momentum in a community that truly values the arts.

With world-class amenities — from free attractions and a celebrated culinary and music scene to vibrant creative arts, outdoor recreation, and a passionate sports culture — St. Louis supports both professional success and quality of life.

#### CAPTIONS + CREDITS

##### COVER

(Top) Alexander Liberman, *The Way*, 1972-80. Gift of Alvin J. Siteman and with funds from the National Endowment for the Arts. Photo by Kevin Miyazaki. (Bottom) Ernest Trova. *Falling Man/Study (Wrapped Manscape Figure)*, 1984. Laumeier Sculpture Park Collection, gift of Grace and Robert Brod.

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Jackie Ferrara, *Laumeier Project*, 1981. Funds from the National Endowment for the Arts, Dr. and Mrs. Bernard Adler and anonymous.

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(Top) Aronson Fine Arts Center. Photo by Sam Fentress. (Bottom) Laumeier After Dark. Tony Tasset, *Eye*, 2007. Laumeier Sculpture Park Commission, with funds from the Mark Twain Laumeier Endowment Fund. Photo by Chris Bauer.

