



ABOUT JESSE ELLIOTT

Jesse Elliott, who will serve as the Music District's director, is a lifelong champion of collaborative creative efforts, social entrepreneurship, and the power of music and storytelling.

He previously acted as a consultant for the Music District through Range Music Ecosystems, a company that he co-founded. At Range Music Ecosystems Elliott developed music initiatives for a variety of clients across the state, including the City of Denver and the State of Colorado.

Elliott also is the founder and songwriter of two rock and roll bands, These United States and Ark Life. The bands have released six albums and performed live 1,200 times during the last decade, including performances at South by Southwest, Glastonbury and Lollapalooza.

Elliott has served as a contributing member of the Denver Music Task Force and as a council member for Colorado Creative Industries. He also assisted in authoring the State of Colorado's official music strategy. Elliott was part of the team that planned, produced and booked the Denver Music Summit and the Biennial of the Americas, as well as a number of other festivals and concert series.

Before working in music full-time, Elliott wrote books and speeches with economist Richard Florida, co-founded a community nonprofit at the University of Iowa, helped shoot a documentary on water rights in southern Mexico and Guatemala, and ran an Italian deli on the Jersey Shore.

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