



Usher, others join Woodruff board

Woodruff Arts Center's Board of Trustees has six new members, including a Grammy Award winning recording artist, a bank president and an airline CEO.

The new members are: Mark Becker, president of **Georgia State University**; Jerome Byers, regional president of **Wachovia Bank**; William Clement, president and CEO of **Atlanta Life Financial Group**; Robert Fornaro, chairman, president and CEO of **AirTran Airways**; Beverly Hall, superintendent of the **Atlanta Public School System**; Usher Raymond IV, Grammy-winning singer, actor, and philanthropist.

"Institutions like the **Woodruff Center for the Arts** are built over generations, and we in Atlanta have been particularly blessed by individuals and families who came before us who understood the importance of cultural resources to the economic, educational, and social development of the city," said Philip I. Kent, Woodruff board chairman, in a news release. "The individuals joining the board understand that it is incumbent upon us to have leadership in place to make the center an even greater public resource in building the future of our city."

Rotating off the Woodruff Arts Center board are Thomas D. Bell Jr., Alston D. Correll Jr., Mary Ellen B. Imlay, Walter Massey, Bob O'Learly, Andrew Pickman, Isaiah Tidwell and George B. Wirth.