

Short Bio for Fidelma McGinn

Fidelma McGinn is the Executive Director of Film Arts Foundation, one of the nation's top resource centers for independent filmmakers, located in San Francisco, CA. Previously she was the Executive Director for 911 Media Arts Center, based in Seattle (1998-2003). She has served as a panelist and nominator for grantmakers like the Rockefeller Foundation, National Endowment for the Arts, Artist Trust and the Cultural Development Authority of King County. She is currently the chair of the board of the National Alliance for Media Arts and Culture (NAMAC). Prior to joining the non-profit sector, she had a successful career in marketing in the high-tech industry. She spent seven years at Microsoft Corporation developing localization strategies for the Desktop Applications Division, which accounted for 60% of corporate profits. She has a degree in Marketing and Communications from the College of Commerce in Dublin and is a graduate of Stanford Graduate Business School's program for Executive Leadership in the Non-profit Arts.