



NIGEL REDDEN, General Director

Nigel Redden is the general director of Spoleto Festival USA. He rejoined the Festival in October 1995 after having previously served as the Festival's general manager from 1986 to 1991. Mr. Redden also served as director of the Lincoln Center Festival from 1998 to September 2017. Between 1991 and 1995, he served as executive director of the Santa Fe Opera.

As general director, Mr. Redden is responsible for all aspects of the Festival, including programming, fund-raising, financial administration, marketing, union negotiations, artists' contracts, board development, and community relations. He has also served as artistic consultant to Philadelphia's American Music Theater Festival (1992-1994) and consultant to the chairperson of the New York International Festival of the Arts (1991-1992). He was director of the National Endowment for the Arts' Dance Program from 1981 to 1986 and has served on various NEA panels over the years.

Mr. Redden is president of the Spaulding-Paolozzi Foundation and serves on the board of Druid Theatre. He was awarded the Chevalier of the Order of Arts and Letters in 2001.

The son of an American diplomat, Mr. Redden was born in Nicosia, Cyprus. He graduated from Yale University in 1972 with a degree in Art History. He is married to Arlene Shuler and they have two adult children.