

Tennessee Secretary of State
Tre Hargett



Division of Business and Charitable Organizations
312 Rosa L. Parks Avenue, 6th Floor
Nashville, Tennessee 37243-1102

March 09, 2023

MELISSA SMITH
2114 QUAIL CT
FRANKLIN, TN 37064

RE: Registration to Solicit Funds for Charitable Purposes

Organization Name: BACKLIGHT PRODUCTIONS

CO Number: CO22553

Renewal Date: 02/29/2024

Dear MELISSA SMITH :

Pursuant to the Tennessee Charitable Solicitations Act, T.C.A. § 48-101-501, *et seq.* the Tennessee Secretary of State has reviewed your application and is pleased to announce your organization's registration to solicit contributions has been **approved**.

The organization must maintain statutory compliance by submitting a renewal application and required fees on an annual basis. At that time you may be required to submit tax filings, financial statements, proof of IRS status, and other documents related to your organization and its fundraising activities. You can find additional information and submit additional filings online at <https://sos.tn.gov/charities>. The "CO" Number listed above will serve as your organization's charitable registration number and should be used when submitting any charitable filings or correspondence.

Please also be advised that if the organization's application or other provided information includes false, misleading or deceptive statements, appropriate action will be taken. Pursuant to the Tennessee Charitable Solicitations Act, a civil penalty of up to five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) may be assessed for any violation.

Thank you for registering your organization and please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions.

Sincerely,

Tre Hargett
Secretary of State

Tracking Number
2023102922

Application to Renew Registration of a Charitable Organization

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Department of State

State of Tennessee

312 Rosa L. Parks Avenue, 6th Floor

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CO Number: CO22553
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Organization Information

Legal Name of the Charitable Organization: BACKLIGHT PRODUCTIONS

Legal entity type of the Organization: Corporation

Business Services Control Number: 000714689

FEIN: 46-2420034

Initial Registration Date: 11/19/2014

Renewal Date: 02/28/2023

Has your fiscal year ending month changed since your last renewal?

☒ Yes ☐ No

New Fiscal Year Ending Month: August

When and where was the organization legally established

Date: 04/15/2013

Country: USA

City/State: FRANKLIN, TN

County: Williamson

Has your Principal Office address changed since your last renewal?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Principal Office Address

2114 QUAIL CT
USA, FRANKLIN, TN 37064

Has your Mailing address changed since your last renewal?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Mailing Office Address

2114 QUAIL CT
USA, FRANKLIN, TN 37064

Contact Information for the Charitable Organization

Contact Name: MELISSA SMITH

Telephone Number: (615) 693-1234

Email: melissa@backlightproductions.org

Website: http://backlightproductions.org

Current names used by the charity organization

Do you need to modify other names that the charity solicits under?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Has the organization registered in any other state(s)?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Does the charity have other offices, chapters, branches, affiliates or a parent?

☐ Yes ☒ No

The category that best describes your organization

A - Arts, Culture, Humanities

The charitable purpose of the organization

Contributions are used to teach performing arts to adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities and provide them with opportunities to be featured in integrated productions. Backlight Productions specifically uses donations for professional training for participants weekly and for supplies for performances throughout the year.

Tax & Financial Information

Has your tax exempt status changed since your last renewal?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Last Fiscal Year Start: September 2021

Last Fiscal Year End: August 2022

Type of 990 Tax Form Filed: 990-EZ

Gross Revenue

Direct and Indirect Public Contributions	\$ 69,772.00
Government Grants	\$ 0.00
Program Service Revenue	\$ 58,396.00
Special Events and Activities	\$ 20,954.00
Gross Sales of Inventory	\$ 0.00
Other Revenue	\$ 2.00
Total Revenue	\$ 149,124.00

Expenses

Total Program Expenses	\$ 122,468.00
Direct Expenses from Special Events	\$ 723.00
Cost of Goods Sold	\$ 0.00
Management and General Expenses	\$ 24,231.00
Fundraising Expenses	\$ 3,617.00
Other Expenses	\$ 0.00
Total Expenses	\$ 151,039.00

Excess/Deficit For the Year (Total Revenue - Total Expenses)	(\$ 1,915.00)
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Changes in Net Assets/Fund Balances

Net Assets/Fund Balances at Beginning of Year	\$ 41,744.00
Other Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances	\$ 0.00
Net Assets/Fund Balances	\$ 40,550.00
Total Liabilities at End of Year	\$ 0.00
Net Assets/Fund Balances at End of Year	\$ 40,550.00

Solicitation Information

Have you been enjoined by any court from soliciting contributions?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Does your organization contract with or otherwise engage the services of any outside fundraising professional (such as a “professional fund-raiser,” “paid solicitor,” “fund raising counsel,” or “commercial co-venturer”)?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Officer Information

Do you need to modify the current officers?

☒ Yes ☐ No

List each officer, director, and trustee (at least 2 officers are required, and you must list officers who have or share the following titles: "Chief Financial Officer", "Custodian of Contributions", "Custodian of Final Distributions")

Colin Smith
2114 Quail Ct.
Franklin, TN 37064, USA
Title(s): Board Member, Vice President

Jill McNeese
1165 McCoury Lane
Spring Hill, TN 37174, USA
Title(s): Vice President

John Dodd
3910 US Highway 74 East, PO Box 247
Wingate, NC 28174, USA
Title(s): Treasurer

Laura BAXTER
2109 N Berry's Chapel Rd
Franklin, TN 37069, USA
Title(s): Secretary

Melinda Winter
309 Wedgewood Ct.
Franklin, TN 37069, USA
Title(s): Board Member

Melissa Smith
1308 Lone Oak Circle
Nashville, TN 37215, USA
Title(s): Board Member, Custodian of Contributions, Custodian of Final Distributions, Director

Scott Winter
309 Wedgewood Court
Franklin, TN 37069, USA
Title(s): President

Taylor Epps
5019 Ashley Dr.
Nashville, TN 37211, USA
Title(s): Board Member

Tim McNeese
1165 McCoury Lane
Spring Hill, TN 37174, USA
Title(s): Board Member

ARTHUR GONZALES
220 MEADOWGREEN DR.
FRANKLIN, TN 37069, USA
Title(s): Board Member

FERNANDA AGUILAR
1321 LIPSCOMB DR.
BRENTWOOD, TN 37027, USA
Title(s): Board Member

Has any officer, director, manager, operator, or principal of the organization been the subject of an injunction, judgement, or administrative order or been convicted of a felony?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Signature

I certify that the statements in this registration statement and all supplemental forms, documents, and continuation sheets are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

I (Chief Fiscal Officer, Treasurer, or Officer) certify, under penalty of perjury, that the above information is true and correct.

Signed Electronically: Melissa Smith

Date: 02/28/2023

Title: Board Member

I certify that the statements in this registration statement and all supplemental forms, documents, and continuation sheets are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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Signed Electronically: Scott D Winter

Date: 03/04/2023

Title: Board Member



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Date: 03/04/2023

Invoice: 2023-01702

Customer Information

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FRANKLIN, 37064

Tracking Number	Description	Amount Paid
2023102922	CH Filing Late Fee	\$ 10.00
2023102922	CH Charitable Renewal	\$ 10.00
Payment Details		
Fee Total:		\$ 20.00
Payment Total:		\$ 20.00
Amount Due:		\$ 0.00
Payment Method		
Payment Type: Credit Card		
Check/Confirmation Number: 3846387085		