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Classical 89.5, KMFA Names Ann Hume Wilson Interim General Manager

October 15, 2012 (Austin, TX) – The Board of Trustees of KMFA 89.5 has named Ann Hume Wilson as Interim General Manager. Wilson steps in for past General Manager, Joan Kobayashi, who was named VP of the national public broadcasting service organization DEI in June of this year.

"The Board of Trustees enthusiastically supports Ann in her role as Interim General Manager," said Board Chair, Steve Moore. "Ann commands a wealth of knowledge on non-profit management and the role of interim leadership, and she is a proven leader in the Austin arts community."

Wilson said, "KMFA is a remarkable cultural gem, one of the best stations of its kind in the country. It's a privilege to be of service to the passionate community of music lovers whose support keeps classical music thriving on Austin's airwaves and beyond."

Wilson comes to KMFA following a three-year tenure as Executive Director of the professional choral ensemble Conspirare, where she oversaw significant budget growth and successful fundraising initiatives. Prior to joining Conspirare, Wilson was Associate Director of the Blanton Museum of Art at the University of Texas at Austin, also serving as the museum's Interim Director. She has worked in a variety of administrative capacities at leading musical organizations around the country, including the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra and the Opera Company of Boston.

About Classical 89.5, KMFA: Classical 89.5 KMFA, Austin's all-classical public radio station, was founded in 1967 by a group of citizens who saw a need for a radio station devoted to cultural programming in the Central Texas Area. Today the station remains committed to this heritage. Relying on the majority of its funding from direct listener and business contributions, KMFA serves approximately 110,000 listeners each week, and features both local programming and nationally distributed programming from Public Radio International, American Public Media, and National Public Radio. For more information on KMFA, visit www.kmfa.org