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## **Newark Arts Executive Director, Jeremy Johnson, featured in Promotional Video Announcing Newark’s Cornerstones**

**Mayor’s Office, Prudential, Prudential Center and the New Jersey Devils to honor outstanding community members**

Newark, NJ – November 1, 2016 – Prudential Center, the New Jersey Devils, Prudential, and The Honorable Mayor Ras J. Baraka’s office are partnering on a new community recognition program called “[Newark’s Cornerstones](#),” with the goal of acknowledging those individuals who are dedicated to the betterment of the Newark community. Eight (8) individuals will be identified as finalists over the course of the current Devils season, with the grand prize recipient being awarded two (2) tickets to Prudential Center events for one year.

As a part of the effort to spread the word about the program and submission process, certain individuals who are already cornerstones in Newark were tapped to take part in the promotional video, which features leaders who are the foundation of Newark’s future. Newark Arts is proud to announce that its Executive Director, Jeremy Johnson, is one of the innovative Newark leaders that were featured.

Since taking the leadership role at Newark Arts, Johnson has overseen the appointment of dynamic new Board members, the hiring of key staff, the awarding of life-changing grants, the engagement of the public, the entering into of strategic partnerships, the execution of the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Open Doors Citywide Arts Festival and has laid the groundwork for an amazing 2017. Check out the details of his tenure so far in the recent report, “[What Newark Arts Did This Summer](#).”

If you know someone who is making a difference in our community, nominate them as one of “Newark’s Cornerstones” today.

**About the Newark Arts Council**

The Newark Arts Council (now Newark Arts) is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization created to advance and expand the artistic and cultural resources of the City of Newark, New Jersey. The Council’s mission is to bring the transformative power of the arts into the lives of those who live in, work in, and visit Newark. The Council is the umbrella for the Newark Arts Education Roundtable (NAER) and is a partner with the Mayor’s Office of Cultural Development, Arts, and Tourism. The Council awards neighborhood grants through its ArtStart program and sponsors the citywide Open Doors Festival every October. For more information, visit [www.newarkarts.org](http://www.newarkarts.org).

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