Earl James is a veteran of over 40 years of non-profit management, coalition-building and political activism for social change in the areas of global peace and security, environmental protection, and historic preservation. He has served as Executive Director of Citizens for Global Solutions, the Rachel Carson Homestead Association, the Stephen Decatur House Museum and the President Woodrow Wilson House Museum, and in other capacities for non-profits such as the New Mexico Environmental Law Center, the Pittsburgh History and Landmarks Foundation, the Health Security for New Mexicans Campaign, and SITE Santa Fe, a global contemporary art center, among others.

He currently serves as President and CEO of Global Voice, a new nonprofit organization formed for the purpose of building coalitions in support of UN reform recommendations of the Commission on Global Security, Justice and Governance, co-chaired by former US Secretary of State Madeleine Albright and former UN Undersecretary for Political Affairs Dr. Ibrahim Gambari.

His past coalition-building work includes forming a nine-county, public-private coalition in Southwestern Pennsylvania resulting in the Rivers of Steel National Heritage Area, forming the New Mexico Environment and Health Coalition, the New Mexico Precautionary Principle Task Force and the New Mexico Mercury Reduction Task Force resulting in partnerships between government, advocacy organizations and industry. All of his coalition-building has brought together nonprofit organizations, corporations, individuals and governmental agencies formerly in opposition on a pro-active path forward.

Earl James received his Master of Arts – Teaching degree from the George Washington University, and a Bachelor's degree in Economics from the University of Arkansas, with a minor concentration in Modern Western Literature. He is also an award-winning novelist and screenwriter, and served as an International Elections Supervisor in Bosnia-Herzegovina in 1997 and in the US Army in 1966 - 1967. He lives in Santa Fe, NM with his wife Karen.

Career Summary

Leadership

President and CEO, Global Voice. 2016-present

Served as Executive Director for:

- Citizens for Global Solutions, 2015-2016
- Washington Properties National Trust for Historic Preservation, 1976 1986
- Rachel Carson Homestead Association, 1991 1992
- Citizens for Global Solutions Pittsburgh Chapter, 1992-1994

Board Leadership:

- Chairman, Citizens for Global Solutions, 2008-2011.
- Chair, Political Action Committee, Citizens for Global Solutions, 2004-2006.
- Board President, Rachel Carson Homestead Association, 1990-1991.

Organizational Development / Strategic Planning:

- Created an integrated marketing plan for Farmworker Health Services, 1996.
- Initiated the Rivers of Steel National Heritage Area, a public-private partnership in SW PA, 1990.

Coalition Building / Legislative Relations

Established the following coalitions:

- New Mexico Environment and Health Coalition, 2002.
- New Mexico Mining Act Network, 2000.

- Environment '05, 2004.
- New Mexico Gubernatorial Appointments Environmental Working Group, 20003.
- Steel Industry Heritage Task Force, 1987.
- The City Museum Project, Washington, DC. 1976.

Fundraising

Developed revenues from major donors, foundations, businesses and special events. Obtained state and federal appropriations. Raised \$3 million for SITE Santa Fe's 2008 budget, obtained a \$3M appropriation for the Rivers of Steel National Heritage Area. Cultivated celebrities including Walter Cronkite, Ted Turner, Wes Studi, Stewart Udall.

Major experience with the following organizations:

- SITE Santa Fe
- New Mexico Environmental Law Center, Santa Fe
- Citizens for Global Solutions, Washington, DC
- Pittsburgh History and Landmarks Foundation
- National Trust for Historic Preservation

Publications

- Bella Coola: The Rainforest Brought Them Home Novel, 2013 Nautilus Silver Book Award
- The Rainforest Brought Them Home Screenplay, Finalist, 2013 Moondance International Film Festival
- Articles in Green Fire Times and El Dorado Sun.

Education

- Master of Arts Teaching in Museum Education The George Washington University
- BA History/ Graduate Study in English University of Arkansas