



Becky Magura

Becky Magura was selected as president and CEO of Nashville Public Television (NPT) in July 2021 and assumed her duties in September 2021. Magura has more than 39 years of experience in production, educational outreach and management in public media.



A native Tennessean, Magura has extensive service on numerous regional & national boards. Magura has received numerous awards, including a Nashville/Midsouth Regional Emmy, Tennessee Governor's Award for Excellence in Early Foundations, the Cumberland Business Journal's Ovation Award for Community Service and was recently named as a Rotary Paul Harris Fellow.

She holds B.S. and M.A. degrees in Education, with an emphasis in Communications, from Tennessee Technological University in Cookeville. She has 39+ years of experience in television production as an on-air host, producer, and videographer. In her tenure as president and CEO of WCTE, Central TN PBS, Magura led the station team through great change, including the digital transition in transmission and production as well as a station relocation to downtown Cookeville and the development of a joint broadcast master control with Lite Wire Media Management.

Magura served six years on the national PBS Board of Directors, including the PBS Executive Board and as Chair of the PBS Interconnection Committee. Other national board service includes APTS: Association for Public Television Stations Board, NETA: National Telecommunications Association Executive Board and Small Station Association Executive Board. She has just been elected to the American Public Television Board of Trustees. Locally, Magura currently serves on the Tennessee Technological University Alumni Board and recently completed service on the Cookeville/Putnam County Chamber of Commerce Board.

Magura believes strongly in supporting independent producers and collaborative station productions such as *Live Green Tennessee*. She is currently working with multiple independent producers on projects for national distribution such as *Bluegrass Underground*, *Barnege Hall*, *Songwriting with Soldiers*, *Havana Time Machine*, *Ray Stevens' Cabaret Nashville*, *Jammin' at Hippie Jack's*, *Food Roots: Philippines* and *Ear to the Common Ground*.

Committed to lifelong learning and the use of public media for K-12 education, Magura has successfully served as the liaison for the Tennessee PBS At Home Learning Collaborative in partnership with the Tennessee Department of Education and all six Tennessee Public Television Stations.

PBS recently named Becky Magura a recipient of the 2021 C. Scott Elliott Development Professional of the Year Award.