



## **Robin Gurin**

President & CEO – The Gurin Group LLC

Touching upon every aspect of the Arts as a stakeholder, from creating intellectual property to executive producing, Robin's career has spanned the film, television, music, theater and dance industries, working with for-profit and nonprofit entities as well as youth education engagement programs. Hitting the ground running as a Theater arts major her journey has led her to be an active arts advocate and community organizer.

Robin was an Emmy-nominated makeup artist in the 90's for Saturday Night Live, a co-creator and partner at the Gotham Music catalog for 25+ years under the Firstcom Universal Music brand, and associate producer for theater productions at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival, New York Musical Festival, and Off Broadway. Robin has been a proud member of IATSE Local 798 for over 25 years.

She served on the Dean's Advisory Board of William Paterson University School of Humanities, Arts and Sciences and was a member of Centenary University's Women's Playwriting Series. Robin pivoted into national and NJ politics in 2016, and she presently collaborates as a volunteer with grassroots organizations and candidates.

Robin considers herself a global citizen and travels extensively (still with her backpack!) and volunteers in various African countries supporting wildlife. In her twenties she headed to Rwanda after American primatologist and conservationist Dian Fossey was murdered. She was compelled to set out into the hills of Kigali to experience and observe the mountain gorillas in their natural habitat. And so began a lifetime of travel, insatiable curiosity, and an overwhelming desire and willingness to volunteer for the greater good and explore the arts on a global level.

Her advocacy led her to be co-founder of an educational nonprofit in Jaipur India and is the "Jersey Mama" to three amazing Afghan young women. Robin has two birth daughters who work in the Arts and Music Industry and just became a first time grandma!