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Cathy Hernandez, Executive Director of Greater Dallas Youth Orchestra (GDYO), received her BA in Music from the University of North Texas and her MS from Drexel University in Arts Management. She has served on numerous grant panels including six state arts councils, three Texas cities, the National Endowment for the Arts and the national juries for both the Heinz Award and the Coming Up Taller Award. She has served on the Arts Management faculty for Texas Christian University and Drexel University, and in 2016 was awarded a Fulbright Scholarship in the United Arab Emirates. Cathy has served on boards including South Arts, International Performing Arts for Youths, Texas Nonprofit Theaters, the State Advisory Board for VSA Arts, and the Latino Advisory Committee for U.S. Congresswoman Kay Granger.