

## Mitsuko Flynn

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Mitsuko Flynn is the Chief Operating and Impact Officer for the Charleston Symphony Orchestra (CSO), where she has led the organization's educational and community initiatives since 2017. Prior to her current role, she served as the CSO's Director of Education and Business Operations, expanding the orchestra's impact both on and off the stage through strategic leadership and innovative programming.

Previously, Mitsuko worked with the Paterson Music Project, an El Sistema-inspired program in Paterson, NJ, providing music education to under-resourced communities. An accomplished cellist and educator, she also taught at Montclair State University's John J. Cali School of Music Preparatory Division.

At the CSO, she integrated the Charleston Symphony Youth Orchestra (CSYO) as a core program, more than doubling its size while upholding high artistic standards. A champion for arts accessibility, she is committed to making the CSO an inclusive cultural hub, creating meaningful connections through music.

Mitsuko holds an MBA in Arts Innovation from the Global Leaders Institute and a BM and Artist Diploma in Cello Performance from Montclair State University. She currently serves as Chairman of the Board for the Allegro Charter School of Music.

Outside of her professional work, Mitsuko enjoys cooking, spending time with her husband and two children, and doting on her miniature dachshund, Winston.