



DARRYL SETTLES

President/Managing Partner: Catalyst Ventures Development
Proprietor: Darryl's Corner Bar & Kitchen

EDUCATION

Dartmouth College (Executive Education Program)
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University; Bachelor of Science (Engineering)
Digital Equipment Corporation Sales Development Program
Carnegie-Mellon University (Summer Engineering Program)

CURRENT POSITION

In his multiple leadership positions within the Boston business community, Settles focuses on investing in Boston's future through real estate development and business consulting where he has successfully fused his passions for music and hospitality by transforming unique concepts into acclaimed events and establishments (Darryl's Corner Bar & Kitchen, Beehive Restaurant and Bar, Bob's Southern Bistro, and the BeanTown Jazz Festival).

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

An appreciation for Boston's diverse communities, a passion for the rich culture our vibrant city produces, and the creativity of an entrepreneurial spirit have led Darryl Settles to establish Catalyst Ventures Development, LLC, a real estate development and investment firm dedicated to enriching Boston living.

Tireless in his efforts to strengthen the bonds that build communities, Settles is and has been active in many civic boards and local organizations, including: the Massachusetts Convention Center Authority; Newton Economic Development Commission, Chair; Newton-Needham Chamber of Commerce; BUILD; Berklee College of Music Advisory Board; The Huntington Theater Board; The Museum of Fine Arts Board; Wang Center (currently Citi Performing Arts Center); Massachusetts Restaurant Association Board; and the Metropolitan District Commission, Associate Commissioner.

Settles, founder of Catalyst Ventures Development, seeks to address the need for housing in urban communities. In partnership with local non-profit owners and public and private stakeholders, Settles is committed to creating vibrant and sustainable neighborhoods by developing attractive housing that people are proud to call "home." He has developed many residential projects in Boston's South End, Roxbury, and Dorchester, Massachusetts, and Newport, Rhode Island over the last 20 plus years.

Recognizing music as a unifying force, several of Settles' ventures have revolved around enhancing the local music scene. Most notably, he was the founder (2001) and driving force behind the establishment of the BeanTown Jazz Festival, a weekend of local and national music, food, and art (now produced by Berklee College of Music.)

With professional success in a variety of fields, including: engineering; sales and marketing; real estate development; entertainment; and hospitality, Settles continues to find new ways to reenergize Boston living. This eclectic skill set produces imaginative and memorable ventures. Settles entered the hospitality/restaurant business in 1990 with the purchase of Bob's Southern Bistro (formerly Bob the Chef's Restaurant). Most recently, he has reinvented Bob's Southern Bistro as Darryl's Corner Bar & Kitchen (2010).

In partnership with Kamran Zahedi of Urbanica, Settles' hospitality and real estate development experience is currently culminating in a Lower Roxbury, MA mixed-use development. It features an 155-room hotel, retail space, and 50 market rate apartments (expected opening Winter 2018), offering Boston a new and exceptional destination.

AWARDS AND ACCOLADES

Boston Business Journal: Leaders in Diversity Award (2014)
Jewish Alliance for Law and Social Action: The Community Leadership Award (2014)
United South End Settlements: Harriet Tubman Community Achievement Award (2014)
Boston Magazine's Best of Boston: Sunday Brunch (2014)
Nuestra Comunidad Development Corporation: Business Leadership Award (2013)
Color Magazine: Change Agent (2013)
Museum of African American History: Legacy Award
Minority Business Enterprise: Minority Retailer of the Year
Renaissance Charter School: Living Legacy Award
Roxbury Comprehensive Community Health Center: Healthy Lifestyle Award
City of Boston: Minority Business of the Year
Black & White Boston: Business Profile Award
Bostonian: We-Are-Boston Community Leadership Award
Stuff@Night's: 100 Players of Boston's Nightlife (3 years)
Boston Magazine's: Forty Bostonians We Love
Omega Psi Phi Fraternity: Omega Man of the Year
"Tiffany 10" Community Award
Digital Equipment Corporation: DEC100 (Digital Sales Award; 4 years)

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Newton Economic Development Commission: Chair
Newton-Needham Chamber of Commerce: Board
Massachusetts Convention Center Authority
Berklee College of Music Advisory Board
BUILD: Board
The Huntington Theater Board
The Museum of Fine Arts Board
Wang Center Board (Citi Performing Arts Center)
Massachusetts Restaurant Association Board
Metropolitan District Commission, Associate Commissioner

LECTURER

Harvard Business School	Babson College	ABCD
Boston College	Lasell College	Year-Up
Urban Land Institute	Boston Museum of Fine Arts	Northeastern University
Bunker Hill Community College	St. Sebastian's School	Mass Housing
Noble & Greenough School	Madison Park High School	BUILD
Roxbury Community College	Mass Bay College	