

2017 One World Award Winners Announced!

The 2018 Sister Cities Association of Sarasota prestigious One World Award winners have been selected. **Kate Alexander** of the Florida Studio Theater is the Individual winner and **Second Chance-Last Opportunity** is the Organizational winner. April Glasco, Founder & CEO, will accept the award on behalf of Second Chance-Last Opportunity. The awards will be bestowed at the SCAS One World Award Gala Luncheon at Michaels on East on March 11, 2018.



Kate Alexander has staged more than 50 plays, including four plays by Edward Albee. She launched the theater's Education Program which offers children and adults opportunities to discover their creativity, with over 20 classes weekly. She also began the "Write-a-Play" program that encourages elementary and high school students to write plays which are then performed

live by FST actors. Inspiring over one million children around the world including our own Sister Cities, FST programs encourage students to open their minds and explore their imaginations. FST has grown from one to five theaters, as well as expanded their educational program offerings and Ms. Alexander has been instrumental in its growth.

The mission of **Second Chance-Last Opportunity** is to empower people in crisis by providing them with essential skills and tools so they can manage their lives more productively. Its vision is to serve as a gateway to hope for individuals who want to change their lives for the better. April Glasco, the current CEO, was an owner of a store in



The Newtown community that struggles with issues of crime, drugs, domestic violence, and unemployment. April watched young people make bad choices and ruin their lives so she decided to do something about it. She closed her storefront, gave away its contents, and in 1995 re-opened the store as *Second Chance-Last Opportunity*, a hands-on intervention center. Since then, SCLO programs have grown to include life-management skills training, parenting skills training, counseling, mentoring, HIV-AIDS education and counseling, summer and after-school youth programs, food, clothing and shelter referrals, and holiday meals and food distribution.

SARASOTA SISTER CITIES & CITY DIRECTORS

Hamilton, Ontario, Canada	1990
	Position inactive
Perpignan, France	1994
	Marie des Neiges Grossas
Vladimir, Russia	1999
	Olga Pliner
Tel Mond, Israel	2002
	Sid Krupkin
Dunfermline, Scotland	2007
	Pauline Mitchell
Treviso (Province), Italy	2007
	Anna Madaschi
Xiamen (Siming District), China	2007
	Carolyn Bloomer
Mérida, Mexico	2010
	Michael Fehily
Rapperswil-Jona, Switzerland	2017
	Nelly Camardo