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**Short Form**  
**Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax**  
**Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code**  
**(except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)**

2008

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Inspection

► Sponsoring organizations of donor advised funds and controlling organizations as defined in section 512(b)(13) must file Form 990. All other organizations with gross receipts less than \$1,000,000 and total assets less than \$2,500,000 at the end of the year may use this form  
 ► The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements

A For the 2008 calendar year, or tax year beginning

Jun 01, 2008, and ending

May 31, 2009

B Check if applicable

Address change

Name change

Initial return

Termination

Amended return

Application pending

Please use IRS label or print or type  
See Specific Instructions

AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR THEATRE  
RESEARCH  
PO BOX 1798  
BOULDER CO 80306-1798

D Employer identification number

11-6110103

E Telephone number

303-530-1838

F Group Exemption  
Number ►

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must attach a completed Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ).

G Accounting method  Cash  Accrual  
Other (specify) ►

I Website: ►

H Check ► if the organization is not required to attach Sch B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF)

K Check ► if the organization is not a section 509(a)(3) supporting organization and its gross receipts are normally not more than \$25,000

A return is not required, but if the organization chooses to file a return, be sure to file a complete return

L Add lines 5b, 6b, and 7b, to line 9 to determine gross receipts, if \$1,000,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ ► \$ 200,488.

**Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances** (See the instructions)

Revenue	1 Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	1 19,777.
	2 Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	2 93,381.
	3 Membership dues and assessments	3 52,791.
	4 Investment income	4 13,217.
	5a Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	5a 21,322.
	b Less cost or other basis and sales expenses	5b 32,628.
	c Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a) (attach schedule)	5c (11,306.)
	6 Special events and activities (complete applicable parts of Schedule G) If any amount is from gaming, check here ►	6
	a Gross revenue (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1)	6a
Expenses	b Less direct expenses other than fundraising expenses	6b
	c Net income or (loss) from special events and activities (Subtract line 6b from line 6a)	6c
	7a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	7a
	b Less cost of goods sold	7b
	c Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)	7c
	8 Other revenue (describe ►)	8
	9 Total revenue Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6c, 7c, and 8	9 167,860.
	10 Grants and similar amounts paid (attach schedule)	10 18,800.
	11 Benefits paid to or for members	11
Net Assets	12 Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits	12
	13 Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors	13 29,419.
	14 Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance	14
	15 Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	15 1,038.
	16 Other expenses (describe ► SEE STMT)	16 102,041.
	17 Total expenses Add lines 10 through 16	17 151,298.
	18 Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)	18 16,562.
	19 Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	19 608,842.
	20 Other changes in net assets or fund balances (attach explanation)	20 (130,673.)
	21 Net assets or fund balances at end of year Combine lines 18 through 20	21 494,731.

**Part II Balance Sheets.** If Total assets on line 25, column (B) are \$2,500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ

(See the instructions)

	(A) Beginning of year	(B) End of year
22 Cash, savings, and investments	25,835.	22 38,284.
23 Land and buildings	23	
24 Other assets (describe ► SEE STMT)	585,272.	24 456,647.
25 Total assets	611,107.	25 494,931.
26 Total liabilities (describe ► SEE STMT)	2,265.	26 200.
27 Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	608,842.	27 494,731.

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