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**Short Form
Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax**

2009

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code
(except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)
▶ 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 \$500,000 and total assets less than \$1,250,000 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.

Open to Public Inspection

A For the 2009 calendar year, or tax year beginning _____, **2009, and ending** _____

B Check if applicable: <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Termination <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	Please use IRS label or print or type. See Specific Instructions.	C Name of organization INTERNATIONAL GALAPAGOS TOUR OPERATORS ASSOCIATION INC	D Employer identification number 16-1533920	
		Number and street (or P.O. box, if mail is not delivered to street address) 706 CAYUGA HEIGHTS ROAD	Room/suite _____	
		City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4 ITHACA NY 14850		E Telephone number (406) 273-0514
				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: ▶ www.igtoa.org

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

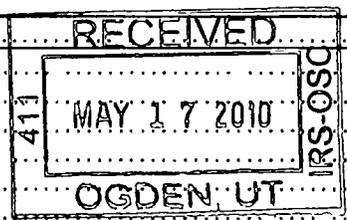
J Tax-exempt status (check only one) — 501(c) (6) ◀ (insert no.) 4947(a)(1) or 527

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 Form 990-EZ or Form 990 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 \$500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ ▶ \$ 106,536.

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

1	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	1	
2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	2	89,528.
3	Membership dues and assessments	3	17,000.
4	Investment income	4	8.
5a	Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	5a	
b	Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses	5b	
c	Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a)	5c	
6	Special events and activities (complete applicable parts of Schedule G). If any amount is from gaming, check here <input type="checkbox"/>		
a	Gross revenue (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1)	6a	
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	106,536.
10	Grants and similar amounts paid (attach schedule)	10	40,036.
11	Benefits paid to or for members	11	
12	Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits	12	
13	Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors	13	13,030.
14	Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance	14	
15	Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	15	263.
16	Other expenses (describe ▶ See Other Expenses Statement)	16	11,105.
17	Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16	17	64,434.
18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)	18	42,102.
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	56,604.
20	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (attach explanation)	20	
21	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20	21	98,706.



Part II Balance Sheets. If Total assets on line 25, column (B) are \$1,250,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ.

(See the instructions for Part II.)		(A) Beginning of year	(B) End of year
22	Cash, savings, and investments	0.	66,503.
23	Land and buildings	0.	0.
24	Other assets (describe ▶ ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE)	0.	32,203.
25	Total assets		98,706.
26	Total liabilities (describe ▶ _____)	0.	0.
27	Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	56,604.	98,706.

BAA For Privacy Act and Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the separate instructions.

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Part V Other Information (Note the statement requirements in the instrs for Part V.)

		Yes	No
33	Did the organization engage in any activity not previously reported to the IRS? If 'Yes,' attach a detailed description of each activity		X
34	Were any changes made to the organizing or governing documents? If 'Yes,' attach a conformed copy of the changes		X
35	If the organization had income from business activities, such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a (among others), but not reported on Form 990-T, attach a statement explaining why the organization did not report the income on Form 990-T.		
35a	a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more or was it subject to section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements?		X
35b	b If 'Yes,' has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year?		
36	Did the organization undergo a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or significant disposition of net assets during the year? If 'Yes,' complete applicable parts of Schedule N		X
37a	Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions ▶ 37a 0.		
37b	b Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?		X
38a	Did the organization borrow from, or make any loans to, any officer, director, trustee, or key employee or were any such loans made in a prior year and still outstanding at the end of the period covered by this return?		X
38b	b If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved		
39	Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:		
39a	a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9		
39b	b Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities		
40a	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under: section 4911 ▶ _____; section 4912 ▶ _____; section 4955 ▶ _____		
40b	b Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year or is it aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part I		
40c	c Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958 ▶ _____		
40d	d Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization ▶ _____		
40e	e All organizations. At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If 'Yes,' complete Form 8886-T		X
41	List the states with which a copy of this return is filed ▶ _____		

42a The organization's books are in care of **▶ CANDY GOFF** Telephone no. **▶ (406) 273-0514**
 Located at **▶ 706 CAYUGA HEIGHTS ROAD ITHACA NY ZIP + 4 ▶ 14850**

		Yes	No
42b	b At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)? If 'Yes,' enter the name of the foreign country: ▶ _____		X
See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of a Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts.			
42c	c At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside of the U.S.? If 'Yes,' enter the name of the foreign country: ▶ _____		X

43 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of Form 1041 — Check here
 and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year **▶ 43** _____

		Yes	No
44	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds? If 'Yes,' Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ		X
45	Is any related organization a controlled entity of the organization within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If 'Yes,' Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ		X

Part VI Section 501(c)(3) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts only. All section 501(c)(3) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must answer questions 46-49b and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51.

	Yes	No
46 Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule C, Part I	46	
47 Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule C, Part II	47	
48 Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule E	48	
49a Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?	49a	
b If 'Yes,' was the related organization a section 527 organization?	49b	

50 Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated employees (other than officers, directors, trustees and key employees) who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter 'None.'

(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$100,000	(b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account and other allowances

f Total number of other employees paid over \$100,000

51 Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated independent contractors who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter 'None.'

(a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$100,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation

d Total number of other independent contractors each receiving over \$100,000

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Sign Here

Signature of officer: *David Blanton* Date: 5-13-2010
 Type or print name and title: DAVID BLANTON EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Paid Preparer's Use Only

Preparer's signature: LOREN W. RANDALL, CPA Date: 05/12/10 Check if self-employed:
 Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4: CPR ACCOUNTING, PLLP P.O. BOX 4325 MISSOULA MT 59806
 Preparer's Identifying Number (See instructions): EIN: Phone no.: (406) 728-5539

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions Yes No

Additional Information

Description of Program Accomplishments

IGTOA IS A MEMBERSHIP ASSOCIATION OF TRAVEL COMPANIES, CONSERVATION ORGANIZATIONS, AND OTHER GROUPS THAT ARE DEDICATED TO THE COMPLETE AND LASTING PROTECTION OF THE GALAPAGOS ISLANDS.

OUR MISSION IS TO PRESERVE THE GALAPAGOS ISLANDS AS A UNIQUE AND PRICELESS WORLD HERITAGE THAT WILL PROVIDE ENJOYMENT, EDUCATION, ADVENTURE AND INSPIRATION TO PRESENT AND FUTURE GENERATIONS OF TRAVELERS.

MEMBERSHIP IS OPEN ONLY TO COMMERCIAL AND NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS. BUT WE ALSO WELCOME THE INVOLVEMENT OF INDIVIDUALS.

MEMBER COMPANIES CONTRIBUTE PART OF THEIR PROFITS TO FUND WORTHWHILE PROJECTS FOR ORGANIZATIONS LIKE THE GALAPAGOS NATIONAL PARK, WILDAID, AND THE CHARLES DARWIN FOUNDATION.

WE USE OUR COLLECTIVE VOICE TO PETITION THE GOVERNMENT OF ECUADOR FOR PROPER FUNDING, MANAGEMENT AND LEGAL ENFORCEMENT. WE ALSO SUPPORT AND ENCOURAGE LOCAL PEOPLE OF THE GALAPAGOS TO BE STEWARDS OF THEIR OWN NATURAL HERITAGE.

IGTOA MEMBERS WORK FOR HIGH PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS FOR THE WELFARE AND ENRICHMENT OF THEIR TRAVELERS. THESE INCLUDE BOAT SAFETY AND EMERGENCY PROCEDURES, TRAINING OF CAPTAINS, CREWS, AND GUIDES.

Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 16

Other Expenses Statement

Other expenses (describe)

<u>BANK FEES</u>	<u>157.</u>
<u>COMMUNICATIONS</u>	<u>1,294.</u>
<u>OUTREACH SERVICES</u>	<u>8,433.</u>
<u>INSURANCE</u>	<u>1,185.</u>
<u>OTHER MISC</u>	<u>36.</u>
Total	<u><u>11,105.</u></u>

Supporting Statement of:

Form 990-EZ/Line 10

Description	Amount
GALAPAGOS CONSERVANCY	28,414.
CHARLES DARWIN FOUNDATION	11,622.
Total	<u>40,036.</u>