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Form **990**
 Department of the Treasury
 Internal Revenue Service

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)

▶ The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements

OMB No 1545-0047
2009
Open to Public Inspection

A For the 2009 calendar year, or tax year beginning 09-01-2009 and ending 08-31-2010

- B** Check if applicable:
 Address change
 Name change
 Initial return
 Terminated
 Amended return
 Application pending

C Name of organization
 THE LOFT INC

Doing Business As
 THE LOFT LITERARY CENTER

Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite
 OPEN BOOK 1011 WASHINGTON AVE S

City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4
 MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55415

D Employer identification number
 41-1297735

E Telephone number
 (612) 215-2575

G Gross receipts \$ 2,523,459

F Name and address of principal officer
 JOCELYN HALE
 1011 WASHINGTON AVE S STE 200
 MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55415

H(a) Is this a group return for affiliates? Yes No

H(b) Are all affiliates included? Yes No
 If "No," attach a list (see instructions)

H(c) Group exemption number ▶

I Tax-exempt status 501(c) (3) (insert no) 4947(a)(1) or 527

J Website: ▶ WWW LOFT ORG

K Form of organization Corporation Trust Association Other ▶

L Year of formation 1975

M State of legal domicile
 MN

Part I Summary

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities
 THE LOFT'S MISSION IS TO SUPPORT THE ARTISTIC DEVELOPMENT OF WRITERS, TO FOSTER A WRITING COMMUNITY, AND TO BUILD AN AUDIENCE FOR LITERATURE

2 Check this box if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets

3 Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	3	22
4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	22
5 Total number of employees (Part V, line 2a)	5	22
6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	242
7a Total gross unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a	2,631
b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	7b	

		Prior Year	Current Year
Revenue	8 Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	1,053,867	1,310,904
	9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	677,656	649,533
	10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	-61,858	81,551
	11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	32,885	21,229
	12 Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1,702,550	2,063,217
Expenses	13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1–3)	152,480	153,650
	14 Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)	0	0
	15 Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5–10)	950,665	918,662
	16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	0	0
	b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶ 154,495		
	17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a–11d, 11f–24f)	925,083	839,661
18 Total expenses Add lines 13–17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2,028,228	1,911,973	
19 Revenue less expenses Subtract line 18 from line 12	-325,678	151,244	

		Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
Net Assets or Fund Balances	20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)	3,482,834	3,771,819
	21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	254,390	351,409
	22 Net assets or fund balances Subtract line 21 from line 20	3,228,444	3,420,410

Part II Signature Block

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: ***** Date: 2011-01-15

JOCELYN HALE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
 Type or print name and title

Paid Preparer's Use Only

Preparer's signature: WENDY HARDEN CPA Date: _____ Check if self-employed

Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4: SCHECHTER DOKKEN KANTER CPA'S
 100 WASHINGTON AVE SO 1600
 MINNEAPOLIS, MN 554012192

Preparer's identifying number (see instructions): _____
 EIN: _____
 Phone no: (612) 332-5500

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions) Yes No

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission

SEE SCHEDULE O

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ? Yes No

If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services? Yes No

If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O

4 Describe the exempt purpose achievements for each of the organization's three largest program services by expenses Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) trusts are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported

4a (Code) (Expenses \$ 904,613 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$ 888,965)

Creative Writing Education FY10 saw more than 4000 writers and writers in the making participate in over 400 courses, workshops, and labs both at the Loft and at community centers and libraries around the greater Twin Cities area Student evaluations of our educational programs for the year told us that 90 percent of responding participants believe they gained a greater understanding of the creative writing craft, 84 percent identified their next steps as a writer, and 84 percent said they felt like part of a writing community

4b (Code) (Expenses \$ 449,950 including grants of \$ 153,650) (Revenue \$ 451,033)

Mentorships, Awards, and Events The Loft's work with Minnesota's emerging writers includes a number of competitive awards and grants including support for projects to advance writing careers, McKnight Artist Fellowships for Writers, and mentorships to work intensively with nationally respected writers of poetry, fiction, and creative nonfiction The Loft also presented 66 readings and events, introducing more than 7,000 in-person and 600,000 broadcast audience members to the work of 218 local and national writers and spoken word artists

4c (Code) (Expenses \$ 301,763 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$ 301,767)

Writing Community and Writers Services Over 90 writers from communities that are historically underrepresented-including Native American, Ethiopian, deaf- and hearing-impaired, and English language learners-took part in Loft-sponsored open writing and reading groups Services to writers via Loft org reached 86,000 unique visitors with articles and discussions about the writing life and the craft of writing through the online journal, A View from the Loft, and a daily blog-The Loft's Writers' Block The site also provided archived video of readings, interviews, and spoken word performances and writers' resources

4d Other program services (Describe in Schedule O)
(Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4e Total program service expenses \$ 1,656,326

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

		Yes	No
1	Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule A.</i>	Yes	
2	Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors?	Yes	
3	Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I.</i>		No
4	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II.</i>		No
5	Section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), and 501(c)(6) organizations. Is the organization subject to the section 6033(e) notice and reporting requirement and proxy tax? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III.</i>		
6	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts where donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I.</i>		No
7	Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas or historic structures? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II.</i>		No
8	Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III.</i>		No
9	Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21, serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X, or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV.</i>		No
10	Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in term, permanent, or quasi-endowments? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V.</i>	Yes	
11	Is the organization's answer to any of the following questions "Yes"? <i>If so, complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable.</i>	Yes	
	• Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI.</i>		
	• Did the organization report an amount for investments—other securities in Part X, line 12 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII.</i>		
	• Did the organization report an amount for investments—program related in Part X, line 13 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII.</i>		
	• Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX.</i>		
	• Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X.</i>		
	• Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X.</i>		
12	Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII.</i>	Yes	
12A	Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year?	Yes	No
	<i>If "Yes," completing Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII is optional.</i>		No
13	Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule E.</i>		No
14a	Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?		No
14b	Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, and program service activities outside the United States? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part I.</i>		No
15	Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or assistance to any organization or entity located outside the U S? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part II.</i>		No
16	Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or assistance to individuals located outside the U S? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part III.</i>		No
17	Did the organization report a total of more than \$15,000, of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I.</i>		No
18	Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II.</i>		No
19	Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III.</i>		No
20	Did the organization operate one or more hospitals? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule H.</i>		No

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules *(continued)*

<p>21 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants and other assistance to governments and organizations in the United States on Part IX, column (A), line 1? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II</i></p>	<p>21</p>	<p></p>	<p>No</p>
<p>22 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants and other assistance to individuals in the United States on Part IX, column (A), line 2? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III</i></p>	<p>22</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p></p>
<p>23 Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, questions 3, 4, or 5, about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J</i></p>	<p>23</p>	<p></p>	<p>No</p>
<p>24a Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? <i>If "Yes," answer questions 24b-24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25</i></p>	<p>24a</p>	<p></p>	<p>No</p>
<p>b Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?</p>	<p>24b</p>	<p></p>	<p></p>
<p>c Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?</p>	<p>24c</p>	<p></p>	<p></p>
<p>d Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?</p>	<p>24d</p>	<p></p>	<p></p>
<p>25a Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i></p>	<p>25a</p>	<p></p>	<p>No</p>
<p>b Is the organization 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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i></p>	<p>25b</p>	<p></p>	<p>No</p>
<p>26 Was a loan to or by a current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, highly compensated employee, or disqualified person outstanding as of the end of the organization's tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II</i></p>	<p>26</p>	<p></p>	<p>No</p>
<p>27 Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor, or a grant selection committee member, or to a person related to such an individual? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III</i></p>	<p>27</p>	<p></p>	<p>No</p>
<p>28 Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties? (see Schedule L, Part IV instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions)</p>	<p></p>	<p></p>	<p></p>
<p>a A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i></p>	<p>28a</p>	<p></p>	<p>No</p>
<p>b A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i></p>	<p>28b</p>	<p></p>	<p>No</p>
<p>c An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee of the organization (or a family member) was an officer, director, trustee, or owner? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i></p>	<p>28c</p>	<p></p>	<p>No</p>
<p>29 Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i></p>	<p>29</p>	<p></p>	<p>No</p>
<p>30 Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i></p>	<p>30</p>	<p></p>	<p>No</p>
<p>31 Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I</i></p>	<p>31</p>	<p></p>	<p>No</p>
<p>32 Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II</i></p>	<p>32</p>	<p></p>	<p>No</p>
<p>33 Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I</i></p>	<p>33</p>	<p></p>	<p>No</p>
<p>34 Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Parts II, III, IV, and V, line 1</i></p>	<p>34</p>	<p></p>	<p>No</p>
<p>35 Is any related organization a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i></p>	<p>35</p>	<p></p>	<p>No</p>
<p>36 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i></p>	<p>36</p>	<p></p>	<p>No</p>
<p>37 Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI</i></p>	<p>37</p>	<p></p>	<p>No</p>
<p>38 Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11 and 19? Note. All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O</p>	<p>38</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p></p>

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096, <i>Annual Summary and Transmittal of U.S. Information Returns</i> . Enter -0- if not applicable		
	1a 151		
b	Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable		
	1b 0		
c	Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?		
	1c		
2a	Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, <i>Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements</i> filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return		
	2a 22		
b	If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns? Note: If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file this return (see instructions)	Yes	
	2b		
3a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year covered by this return?	Yes	
	3a		
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O	Yes	
	3b		
4a	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)?		No
	4a		
b	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: _____ See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts		
	4b		
5a	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?		No
	5a		
b	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?		No
	5b		
c	If "Yes" to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T, Disclosure by Tax-Exempt Entity Regarding Prohibited Tax Shelter Transaction?		
	5c		
6a	Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than \$100,000, and did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible?		No
	6a		
b	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?		
	6b		
7	Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).		
a	Did the organization receive a payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods and services provided to the payor?		No
	7a		
b	If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?		
	7b		
c	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?		No
	7c		
d	If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year		
	7d		
e	Did the organization, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?		No
	7e		
f	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?		No
	7f		
g	For all contributions of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?		
	7g		
h	For contributions of cars, boats, airplanes, and other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C as required?		
	7h		
8	Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds and section 509(a)(3) supporting organizations. Did the supporting organization, or a donor advised fund maintained by a sponsoring organization, have excess business holdings at any time during the year?		
	8		
9	Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.		
a	Did the organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?		
	9a		
b	Did the organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?		
	9b		
10	Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter		
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12	10a	
b	Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities	10b	
11	Section 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter		
a	Gross income from members or shareholders	11a	
b	Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them)	11b	
12a	Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts. Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?	12a	
b	If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year	12b	

Part VI Governance, Management, and Disclosure For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to lines 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O. See instructions.

Section A. Governing Body and Management

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body		
1b	Enter the number of voting members that are independent		
2	Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee?		No
3	Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?		No
4	Did the organization make any significant changes to its organizational documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?		No
5	Did the organization become aware during the year of a material diversion of the organization's assets?		No
6	Does the organization have members or stockholders?		No
7a	Does the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who may elect one or more members of the governing body?		No
7b	Are any decisions of the governing body subject to approval by members, stockholders, or other persons?		No
8	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following		
8a	The governing body?	Yes	
8b	Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	Yes	
9	Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses in Schedule O		No

Section B. Policies (This Section B requests information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)

		Yes	No
10a	Does the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?		No
10b	If "Yes," does the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with those of the organization?		
11	Has the organization provided a copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?	Yes	
11A	Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review the Form 990		
12a	Does the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13	Yes	
12b	Are officers, directors or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	Yes	
12c	Does the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this is done	Yes	
13	Does the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	Yes	
14	Does the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	Yes	
15	Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision?		
15a	The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official	Yes	
15b	Other officers or key employees of the organization	Yes	
	If "Yes" to line a or b, describe the process in Schedule O (See instructions)		
16a	Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year?		No
16b	If "Yes," has the organization adopted a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and taken steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements?		

Section C. Disclosure

17	List the States with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed ▶ MN
18	Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Form 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you make these available. Check all that apply. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Own website <input type="checkbox"/> Another's website <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Upon request
19	Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how), the organization makes its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public. See Additional Data Table.
20	State the name, physical address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the books and records of the organization ▶ ELIZABETH SCHOEPLER 1011 WASHINGTON AVE S STE 200 MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55415 (612) 215-2580

1b Total	223,732	0	0
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2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 in reportable compensation from the organization **0**

		Yes	No
3 Did the organization list any former officer, director or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>	3		No
4 For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>	4		No
5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization for services rendered to the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person</i>	5		No

Section B. Independent Contractors

1 Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation

2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 in compensation from the organization **0**

Part VIII Statement of Revenue

			(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512, 513, or 514	
Contributions, gifts, grants and other similar amounts	1a	Federated campaigns 1a					
	b	Membership dues 1b					
	c	Fundraising events 1c					
	d	Related organizations 1d					
	e	Government grants (contributions) 1e	171,614				
	f	All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above 1f	1,139,290				
	g	Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f \$ <u>12,478</u>					
	h	Total. Add lines 1a-1f ▶	1,310,904				
Program Service Revenue			Business Code				
	2a	ADMISSIONS	611,600	2,423	2,423		
	b	TUITION & WORKSHOP	611,600	604,691	604,691		
	c	ENTRY FEES	611,600	1,589	1,589		
	d	OTHER INCOME	611,600	40,830	40,830		
	e						
	f	All other program service revenue					
g	Total. Add lines 2a-2f ▶		649,533				
Other Revenue	3	Investment income (including dividends, interest and other similar amounts) ▶		51,644		51,644	
	4	Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds ▶		0			
	5	Royalties ▶		0			
	6a	Gross Rents	(i) Real	17,519			
			(ii) Personal				
			Less rental expenses				
			Rental income or (loss)	17,519			
	d	Net rental income or (loss) ▶		17,519		17,519	
	7a	Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities	490,149			
			(ii) Other				
			Less cost or other basis and sales expenses	460,242			
			Gain or (loss)	29,907			
d	Net gain or (loss) ▶		29,907		29,907		
8a	Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c) See Part IV, line 18 a						
b	Less direct expenses b						
c	Net income or (loss) from fundraising events ▶		0				
9a	Gross income from gaming activities See Part IV, line 19 a						
b	Less direct expenses b						
c	Net income or (loss) from gaming activities ▶		0				
10a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances a						
			1,079				
		Less cost of goods sold b					
c	Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory ▶		1,079		1,079		
Miscellaneous Revenue		Business Code					
11a	ADS IN PUBLICATION	541,800	2,631	2,631			
b							
c							
d	All other revenue						
e	Total. Add lines 11a-11d ▶		2,631				
12	Total revenue. See Instructions ▶		2,063,217	649,533	2,631	100,149	

Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete all columns.

All other organizations must complete column (A) but are not required to complete columns (B), (C), and (D).

Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.		(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1	Grants and other assistance to governments and organizations in the U S See Part IV, line 21	0			
2	Grants and other assistance to individuals in the U S See Part IV, line 22	153,650	153,650		
3	Grants and other assistance to governments, organizations, and individuals outside the U S See Part IV, lines 15 and 16	0			
4	Benefits paid to or for members	0			
5	Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	187,545	144,109	18,436	25,000
6	Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)	0			
7	Other salaries and wages	566,294	435,176	55,686	75,432
8	Pension plan contributions (include section 401(k) and section 403(b) employer contributions)	0			
9	Other employee benefits	0			
10	Payroll taxes	164,823	126,657	16,207	21,959
11	Fees for services (non-employees)				
a	Management	0			
b	Legal	0			
c	Accounting	30,954	26,192	1,508	3,254
d	Lobbying	0			
e	Professional fundraising See Part IV, line 17	0			
f	Investment management fees	0			
g	Other	25,311	21,418	1,232	2,661
12	Advertising and promotion	0			
13	Office expenses	92,848	84,169	1,258	7,421
14	Information technology	0			
15	Royalties	0			
16	Occupancy	75,851	69,037	2,157	4,657
17	Travel	23,456	23,435	2	19
18	Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials	0			
19	Conferences, conventions, and meetings	0			
20	Interest	0			
21	Payments to affiliates	0			
22	Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	39,147	31,634	2,377	5,136
23	Insurance	5,601	4,526	340	735
24	Other expenses Itemize expenses not covered above (Expenses grouped together and labeled miscellaneous may not exceed 5% of total expenses shown on line 25 below)				
a	HONORARIA AND FEES	417,174	417,174		
b	PUBLICITY	47,551	47,453		98
c	RECEPTIONS	26,224	24,550	984	690
d	DUES & MEMBERSHIPS	5,839	3,655	221	1,963
e	EQUIPMENT MAIN & REPAIR	3,273	2,644	200	429
f	All other expenses	46,432	40,847	544	5,041
25	Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24f	1,911,973	1,656,326	101,152	154,495
26	Joint costs. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation				

Part X Balance Sheet

		(A)		(B)
		Beginning of year		End of year
Assets	1 Cash—non-interest-bearing	59,779	1	146,540
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	823,122	2	780,133
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net	439,140	3	538,233
	4 Accounts receivable, net	8,277	4	32,189
	5 Receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees. Complete Part II of Schedule L		5	
	6 Receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B). Complete Part II of Schedule L		6	
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net		7	
	8 Inventories for sale or use	1,535	8	0
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	21,097	9	69,474
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	414,257		
	b Less accumulated depreciation	240,453	193,612	10c 173,804
	11 Investments—publicly traded securities	1,936,272	11	2,031,446
	12 Investments—other securities. See Part IV, line 11		12	
	13 Investments—program-related. See Part IV, line 11		13	
	14 Intangible assets		14	
	15 Other assets. See Part IV, line 11		15	
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	3,482,834	16	3,771,819	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	67,901	17	96,857
	18 Grants payable	88,280	18	79,000
	19 Deferred revenue	98,209	19	175,552
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities		20	
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D		21	
	22 Payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons. Complete Part II of Schedule L		22	
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties		23	
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties		24	
	25 Other liabilities. Complete Part X of Schedule D		25	
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	254,390	26	351,409
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.			
	27 Unrestricted net assets	185,022	27	188,831
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets	712,798	28	805,564
	29 Permanently restricted net assets	2,330,624	29	2,426,015
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34.			
	30 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		30	
	31 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building or equipment fund		31	
	32 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		32	
33 Total net assets or fund balances	3,228,444	33	3,420,410	
34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	3,482,834	34	3,771,819	

Part XI Financial Statements and Reporting

		Yes	No
1	Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990 <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O		
2a	Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant? . . .		No
2b	Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant?	Yes	
2c	If "Yes," to 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O	Yes	
2d	If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were issued on a consolidated basis, separate basis, or both <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separated basis		
3a	As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?		No
3b	If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits . . .		

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990EZ)

Public Charity Status and Public Support

OMB No 1545-0047

2009

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Complete if the organization is a section 501(c)(3) organization or a section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust.

▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ. ▶ See separate instructions.

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization
THE LOFT INC

Employer identification number

41-1297735

Part I Reason for Public Charity Status (All organizations must complete this part.) See instructions

The organization is not a private foundation because it is (For lines 1 through 11, check only one box)

- 1 A church, convention of churches, or association of churches **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i).**
- 2 A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii).** (Attach Schedule E)
- 3 A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).**
- 4 A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).** Enter the hospital's name, city, and state

- 5 An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv).** (Complete Part II)
- 6 A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(v).**
- 7 An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)** (Complete Part II)
- 8 A community trust described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)** (Complete Part II)
- 9 An organization that normally receives (1) more than 33 1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions—subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33 1/3% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975 See **section 509(a)(2).** (Complete Part III)
- 10 An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety See **section 509(a)(4).**
- 11 An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2) See **section 509(a)(3).** Check the box that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 11e through 11h
 a Type I b Type II c Type III - Functionally integrated d Type III - Other
- e By checking this box, I certify that the organization is not controlled directly or indirectly by one or more disqualified persons other than foundation managers and other than one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2)
- f If the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II or Type III supporting organization, check this box
- g Since August 17, 2006, has the organization accepted any gift or contribution from any of the following persons?
 (i) a person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in (ii) and (iii) below, the governing body of the the supported organization?
 (ii) a family member of a person described in (i) above?
 (iii) a 35% controlled entity of a person described in (i) or (ii) above?
- h Provide the following information about the supported organization(s)

	Yes	No
11g(i)		
11g(ii)		
11g(iii)		

(i) Name of supported organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1- 9 above or IRC section (see instructions))	(iv) Is the organization in col (i) listed in your governing document?		(v) Did you notify the organization in col (i) of your support?		(vi) Is the organization in col (i) organized in the U S ?		(vii) Amount of support?
			Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	
Total									

Part II Support Schedule for Organizations Described in IRC 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)
 (Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, or 8 of Part I.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) 2009	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants.")						
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3						
5 The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f)						
6 Public Support. Subtract line 5 from line 4						

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) 2009	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4						
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
10 Other income (Explain in Part IV.) Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets						
11 Total support (Add lines 7 through 10)						

12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc (See instructions) 12

13 First Five Years If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and **stop here**

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public Support Percentage for 2009 (line 6 column (f) divided by line 11 column (f)) 14

15 Public Support Percentage for 2008 Schedule A, Part II, line 14 15

16a 33 1/3% support test—2009. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and **stop here.** The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization

b 33 1/3% support test—2008. If the organization did not check the box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and **stop here.** The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization

17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2009. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts and circumstances" test, check this box and **stop here.** Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts and circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization

b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2008. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts and circumstances" test, check this box and **stop here.** Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts and circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization

18 Private Foundation If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a or 17b, check this box and see instructions

Part III Support Schedule for Organizations Described in IRC 509(a)(2)

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 9 of Part I.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) 2009	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants.")	1,763,269	1,308,272	204,001	1,053,867	1,310,904	5,640,313
2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose	600,899	605,096	145,244	661,464	650,612	2,663,315
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5	2,364,168	1,913,368	349,245	1,715,331	1,961,516	8,303,628
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons	121,280	209,616		52,325	185,910	569,131
b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year						
c Add lines 7a and 7b	121,280	209,616		52,325	185,910	569,131
8 Public Support (Subtract line 7c from line 6)						7,734,497

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) 2009	(f) Total
9 Amounts from line 6	2,364,168	1,913,368	349,245	1,715,331	1,961,516	8,303,628
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	103,581	103,703	15,006	90,908	69,163	382,361
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975	16,851	16,730	1,919	9,304	2,631	47,435
c Add lines 10a and 10b	120,432	120,433	16,925	100,212	71,794	429,796
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
12 Other income Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV)	9,301	61,645	-1,976	14,928		83,898
13 Total support (Add lines 9, 10c, 11 and 12)	2,493,901	2,095,446	364,194	1,830,471	2,033,310	8,817,322
14 First Five Years If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here <input type="checkbox"/>						

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

15 Public Support Percentage for 2009 (line 8 column (f) divided by line 13 column (f))	15	87.719 %
16 Public support percentage from 2008 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	16	87.760 %

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2009 (line 10c column (f) divided by line 13 column (f))	17	4.874 %
18 Investment income percentage from 2008 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	5.370 %
19a 33 1/3% support tests—2009. If the organization did not check the box on line 14, and line 15 is more than 33 1/3% and line 17 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
b 33 1/3% support tests—2008. If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33 1/3% and line 18 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization <input type="checkbox"/>		
20 Private Foundation If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a or 19b, check this box and see instructions <input type="checkbox"/>		

Part IV **Supplemental Information.** Supplemental Information. Complete this part to provide the explanation required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b; or Part III, line 12. Provide any other additional information. See instructions

SCHEDULE D (Form 990)

OMB No 1545-0047

Supplemental Financial Statements

2009

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Complete if the organization answered "Yes," to Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, or 12. Attach to Form 990. See separate instructions.

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization THE LOFT INC

Employer identification number 41-1297735

Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 6.

Table with 2 columns: (a) Donor advised funds, (b) Funds and other accounts. Rows 1-4: Total number at end of year, Aggregate contributions to (during year), Aggregate grants from (during year), Aggregate value at end of year.

- 5 Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control?
6 Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds may be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor, or for any other purpose conferring impermissible private benefit?

Part II Conservation Easements. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 7.

- 1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply): Preservation of land for public use, Protection of natural habitat, Preservation of open space, Preservation of an historically important land area, Preservation of a certified historic structure.

2 Complete lines 2a-2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution in the form of a conservation easement on the last day of the tax year

Table with 2 columns: Description, Held at the End of the Year. Rows 2a-2d: Total number of conservation easements, Total acreage restricted by conservation easements, Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a), Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 8/17/06.

- 3 Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the taxable year
4 Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located
5 Does the organization have a written policy regarding the periodic monitoring, inspection, handling of violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds?
6 Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting and enforcing conservation easements during the year
7 Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, and enforcing conservation easements during the year
8 Does each conservation easement reported on line 2(d) above satisfy the requirements of section 170(h)(4)(B)(i) and 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)?
9 In Part XIV, describe how the organization reports conservation easements in its revenue and expense statement, and balance sheet, and include, if applicable, the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that describes the organization's accounting for conservation easements

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 8.

- 1a If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116, not to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education or research in furtherance of public service, provide, in Part XIV, the text of the footnote to its financial statements that describes these items
b If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116, to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide the following amounts relating to these items: (i) Revenues included in Form 990, Part VIII, line 1; (ii) Assets included in Form 990, Part X
2 If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain, provide the following amounts required to be reported under SFAS 116 relating to these items: a Revenues included in Form 990, Part VIII, line 1; b Assets included in Form 990, Part X

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets *(continued)*

3 Using the organization's accession and other records, check any of the following that are a significant use of its collection items (check all that apply)

- a** Public exhibition
- b** Scholarly research
- c** Preservation for future generations
- d** Loan or exchange programs
- e** Other

4 Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIV

5 During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection? Yes No

Part IV Escrow and Custodial Arrangements. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21.

1a Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X? Yes No

b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIV and complete the following table

	Amount
1c Beginning balance	
1d Additions during the year	
1e Distributions during the year	
1f Ending balance	

2a Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21? Yes No

b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIV

Part V Endowment Funds. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

	(a) Current Year	(b) Prior Year	(c) Two Years Back	(d) Three Years Back	(e) Four Years Back
1a Beginning of year balance	1,900,385	2,133,492			
b Contributions	30,000	19,655			
c Investment earnings or losses	119,018	-158,542			
d Grants or scholarships					
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs		82,641			
f Administrative expenses	11,197	11,579			
g End of year balance	2,038,206	1,900,385			

2 Provide the estimated percentage of the year end balance held as

- a** Board designated or quasi-endowment %
- b** Permanent endowment 100.000 %
- c** Term endowment %

3a Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by

	Yes	No
(i) unrelated organizations	3a(i)	No
(ii) related organizations	3a(ii)	No
b If "Yes" to 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?	3b	

4 Describe in Part XIV the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds

Part VI Investments—Land, Buildings, and Equipment. See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

Description of investment	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land				
b Buildings				
c Leasehold improvements		25,295	9,217	16,078
d Equipment		388,962	231,236	157,726
e Other				
Total. Add lines 1a-1e (Column (d) should equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c).)				173,804

Part XI Reconciliation of Change in Net Assets from Form 990 to Financial Statements

1	Total revenue (Form 990, Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	2,063,217
2	Total expenses (Form 990, Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	1,911,973
3	Excess or (deficit) for the year Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	151,244
4	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	4	40,722
5	Donated services and use of facilities	5	
6	Investment expenses	6	
7	Prior period adjustments	7	
8	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	8	
9	Total adjustments (net) Add lines 4 - 8	9	40,722
10	Excess or (deficit) for the year per financial statements Combine lines 3 and 9	10	191,966

Part XII Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements	1	1,996,118
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12		
a	Net unrealized gains on investments	2a	
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b	
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	2d	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	1,996,118
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1		
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	4b	67,099
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	67,099
5	Total Revenue Add lines 3 and 4c . (This should equal Form 990, Part I, line 12)	5	2,063,217

Part XIII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	1	1,911,973
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25		
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a	
b	Prior year adjustments	2b	
c	Other losses	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	2d	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	1,911,973
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1 :		
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	
5	Total expenses Add lines 3 and 4c . (This should equal Form 990, Part I, line 18)	5	1,911,973

Part XIV Supplemental Information

Complete this part to provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9, Part III, lines 1a and 4, Part IV, lines 1b and 2b, Part V, line 4, Part X, Part XI, line 8, Part XII, lines 2d and 4b, and Part XIII, lines 2d and 4b Also complete this part to provide any additional information

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
INVESTMENT RETURN ON ENDOWMENTS	SCHEDULE D RECONCILIATION	ENDOWMENT INVESTMENTS INTEREST AND DIVIDENDS 49,286 UNREALIZED GAIN ON ENDOWMENT 40,722 REALIZED GAIN ON ENDOWMENT 29,010 FEES (11,197) TOTAL 107,821 PLUS UNREALIZED GAIN (40,722) TOTAL OTHER REVENUE 67,099

Part III Grants and Other Assistance to Individuals in the United States. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 22.
Use Schedule I-1 (Form 990) if additional space is needed.

(a) Type of grant or assistance	(b) Number of recipients	(c) Amount of cash grant	(d) Amount of non-cash assistance	(e) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(f) Description of non-cash assistance
MCKNIGHT ARTIST FELLOWSHIP AWARDS	5	125,000			
MINNESOTA WRITERS' CAREER INITIATIVE AWARDS	5	28,650			
See Additional Data Table					

Part IV Supplemental Information. Complete this part to provide the information required in Part I, line 2, and any other additional information.

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
MONITORING GRANT PROCESS	PART IV SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION	THE ORGANIZATION'S PROGRAM AND FINANCE DIRECTORS ENSURE ALL GRANTS PAID TO INDIVIDUALS AGREE WITH THE TERMS SET FORTH IN THE ORIGINAL GRANT AGREEMENTS ALL EXPENDITURES MADE ARE REVIEWED FOR APPROVAL PRIOR TO PAYMENT WHERE APPROPRIATE, NARRATIVE REPORTS FROM GRANTEEES ACCOMPANY FINANCIAL REPORTS

**SCHEDULE O
(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Information to Form 990

**Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on
Form 990 or to provide any additional information.
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THE LOFT INC

Employer identification number

41-1297735

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
PROCESS THE ORGANIZATION USES TO REVIEW THE 990	PART VI SECTION A GOVERNING BODY AND MANAGEMENT 10	EACH YEAR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS REVIEWS THE PRIOR FISCAL YEAR'S IRS FORM 990 PRIOR TO ITS SUBMISSION TO THE IRS A THOROUGH PRESENTATION WILL BE MADE BY THE FINANCE DIRECTOR AND/OR THE INDEPENDENT AUDITOR/ACCOUNTANT, WHO WILL HAVE WORKED TOGETHER TO PREPARE THE FORM BECAUSE OF HOLIDAY SCHEDULING IN MOST YEARS THIS WILL OCCUR AT THE JANUARY MEETING, AND WILL REQUIRE A 2 WEEK DELAY IN THE FILING OF THE FORM 990, ACCOMPLISHED BY THE PRO-FORMA FILING OF AN EXTENSION WITH THE IRS THE FORM 990 IS DUE ON JANUARY 15TH

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY	PART VI SECTION B POLICIES 12	EACH YEAR, TYPICALLY AT THE FIRST MEETING OF THE FISCAL YEAR AS A 'STANDING AGENDA ITEM,' ALL BOARD MEMBERS ARE ASKED TO REVIEW THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY FOR THE PURPOSE OF STATING AND/OR UPDATING THEIR DISCLOSURES, AND TO SIGN AND DATE THE FORM

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
PROCEDURE TO MAKE DECISIONS REGARDING EXECUTIVE AND STAFF COMPENSATION	PART VI SECTION B POLICIES 15	RELYING IN SUBSTANTIAL PART ON THE BI-ANNUAL SURVEY OF NON-PROFIT SALARIES CONDUCTED AND PUBLISHED BY THE MINNESOTA COUNCIL OF NON-PROFITS, THE BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, FOLLOWING A THOROUGH WRITTEN PERFORMANCE REVIEW, ESTABLISHES THE SALARY FOR THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, WITHIN THE LIMITS ESTABLISHED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS IN APPROVING THE ORGANIZATION'S BUDGET THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR IN TURN, USES THE SAME PROCEDURE FOR ESTABLISHING SALARIES FOR ALL OTHER STAFF, INCLUDING THE FINANCE DIRECTOR

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
GOVERNING DOCUMENTS, CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY, AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS	PART VI SECTION C DISCLOSURE 19	THE ORGANIZATION MAKES ITS GOVERNING DOCUMENTS, CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY, AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC ON ITS WEBSITE

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
MISSION STATEMENT	PART III, LINE 1 ORGANIZATION'S MISSION	The Loft's mission is to support the artistic development of w riters, to foster a w riting community, and to build an audience for literature The Loft's constituencies range from children and adults exploring w riting for the first time to some the the nation's most accomplished w riters The Loft supports anyone w ho seeks to express ideas creatively through w ords and the readers w ho benefit The Loft's support takes the form of classes for w riters of all levels, readings and events featuring national and local literary artists, facilitated w riters groups, w riting activities for youth ages 6-18, and fellow ships, mentorships and career initiative aw ards for accomplished w riters

Additional Data

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Form 990, Part VII - Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week	(C) Position (check all that apply)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
Shawn Lawrence Otto Chair	5 0	X		X				0	0	0
Sarah Stoesz Vice Chair	3 0	X		X				0	0	0
Jacquelyn Fletcher Secretary/Teaching Artist	3 0	X		X				1,085	0	0
Sven Wehrwein Treasurer	3 0	X		X				1,085	0	0
Thomas J TJ Conley Director	3 0	X						0	0	0
Lorena Duarte Director and Contracted Mentor	3 0	X						4,000	0	0
Neil Erickson Director	3 0	X						0	0	0
Dobby Gibson Director	3 0	X						0	0	0
David Grant Director	3 0	X						0	0	0
Blanche Hawkins Director	3 0	X						0	0	0
Sharon Hendry Director	3 0	X						0	0	0
Rachael Jarosh Director	3 0	X						0	0	0
Lorna Landvik Director	3 0	X						0	0	0
Susan Lenfestey Director	3 0	X						0	0	0
Jim Levi Director	3 0	X						0	0	0
Alisa Miller Director	3 0	X						0	0	0
Isabell Monk O'Connor Director and Contracted Mentor	3 0	X						3,000	0	0
Carla Paulson Director	3 0	X						0	0	0
John Schenk Director	3 0	X						0	0	0
Faith Sullivan Director and Contract Teaching	3 0	X						1,080	0	0
Bryan Thao Worra Director	3 0	X						0	0	0
Margaret Wurtele Director	3 0	X						0	0	0
Jocelyn Hale EX-B MEM/Executive Director	40 0	X		X				81,808	0	0
Nancy Gaschott Finance Director	40 0			X				72,791	0	0
Elizabeth Schoeppler DIRECTOR OF DEV AND ADMIN	40 0			X				58,883	0	0

Form 990, Part IX - Statement of Functional Expenses - 24a - 24e Other Expenses

<i>Do not include amounts reported on line 6b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.</i>	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
HONORARIA AND FEES	417,174	417,174		
PUBLICITY	47,551	47,453		98
RECEPTIONS	26,224	24,550	984	690
DUES & MEMBERSHIPS	5,839	3,655	221	1,963
EQUIPMENT MAIN & REPAIR	3,273	2,644	200	429