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Form 990-EZ

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)

- 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.

2009

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Internal Revenue Service

A For the 2009 calendar year, or tax year beginning 10-01-2009, and ending 09-30-2010

B Check if applicable

Address change

Name change

Initial return

Terminated

Amended return

Application pending

Please use IRS label or print or type.
See Specific Instructions.

C Name of organization POLK ARTS ALLIANCE INC	D Employer identification number 30-0264417
Number and street (or P O box, if mail is not delivered to street address) PO BOX 727	E Telephone number (863) 804-0494
City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4 BARTOW, FL 33831	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.POLKARTSALLIANCE.ORG

J Tax-Exempt status (check only one) 501(c)(3) (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 ► \$ 82,514

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	81,054
2 Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	2	
3 Membership dues and assessments	3	605
4 Investment income	4	
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 ►	6a	855
a Gross revenue (not including \$ 15,425 of contributions reported on line 1)	6b	8,189
b Less direct expenses other than fundraising expenses	6c	-7,334
c Net income or (loss) from special events and activities (Subtract line 6b from line 6a)	7a	
7a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	7b	
b Less cost of goods sold	7c	
c Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)	8	
8 Other revenue (describe ►)	9	74,325
9 Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6c, 7c, and 8		
10 Grants and similar amounts paid (attach schedule)	10	
11 Benefits paid to or for members	11	
12 Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits	12	29,569
13 Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors	13	5,570
14 Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance	14	
15 Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	15	
16 Other expenses (describe ►)	16	31,297
17 Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16	17	66,436
18 Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)	18	7,889
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	23,213
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	31,102

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	23,428	22 31,302
23 Land and buildings		23
24 Other assets (describe ►)		24
25 Total assets	23,428	25 31,302
26 Total liabilities (describe ►)	215	26 200
27 Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	23,213	27 31,102

Part V Other Information (Note the statement requirements in the instructions 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	33		No	
34 Were any changes made to the organizing or governing documents? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the changes	34		No	
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				
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?	35a		No	
b If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year?	35b			
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	36		No	
37a Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions ► 37a	37a			
b Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?	37b		No	
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?	38a		No	
b If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved	38b			
39 <i>Section 501(c)(7) organizations.</i> Enter	39a			
a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9	39a			
b Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities	39b			
40a <i>Section 501(c)(3) organizations.</i> Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under section 4911 ► _____, section 4912 ► _____, section 4955 ► _____				
b <i>Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations.</i> 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	40b		No	
c <i>Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations.</i> Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958 ► _____				
d <i>Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations.</i> Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization ► _____				
e <i>All organizations.</i> At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If "Yes," complete Form 8886-T	40e		No	
41 List the states with which a copy of this return is filed ► _____				
42a The organization's books are in care of ► <u>MERI MASS</u> Telephone no ► (863) 804-0494				
1350 E MAIN STREET SUITE A2 Located at ► <u>BARTOW, FL</u>		ZIP + 4	33830	
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)?	42b		No	
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.				
c At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside of the U.S.?	42c		No	
If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country ► _____				
43 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of Form 1041 —Check here ► <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year ► 43	43			
44 Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds? If "Yes", <i>Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ.</i>	44		No	
45 Is any related organization a controlled entity of the organization within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes", <i>Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ.</i>	45		No	

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	No
47	Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II	47	No
48	Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E	48	No
49a	Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?	49a	No
	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 & deferred compensation	(e) Expense account and other allowances
NONE				

50(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
NONE		

51(d) Total number of other independent contractors each receiving over \$100,000 ► _____

Please Sign Here	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		
	***** Signature of officer MERI MASS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR Type or print name and title	2011-01-13 Date	

Paid Preparer's Use Only	Preparer's signature MICHAEL E CARTER	Date 2011-01-25	Check if self-employed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Preparer's identifying number (See instructions)
	Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4 THE NCT GROUP CPA'S LLP PO BOX 1076 LAKELAND, FL 338021076			EIN <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Phone no ► (863) 683-6783

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

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(Form 990 or 990EZ)**Public Charity Status and Public Support**

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
POLK ARTS ALLIANCE INC

Employer identification number

30-0264417

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

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 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")	76,242	84,360	100,360	87,867	81,054	429,883
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	76,242	84,360	100,360	87,867	81,054	429,883
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)						15,026
6 Public Support. Subtract line 5 from line 4						414,857

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	76,242		100,360	87,867	81,054	429,883
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	1,942	15,073	33,767	17,812	855	69,449
11 Total support (Add lines 7 through 10)						499,332
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc (See instructions)					12	605

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	83 080 %
15 Public Support Percentage for 2008 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	79 490 %
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")						
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						
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						
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						
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						
8 Public Support (Subtract line 7c from line 6)						

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						
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						
c Add lines 10a and 10b						
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)						
13 Total support (Add lines 9, 10c, 11 and 12)						
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						

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

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

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2009 (line 10c column (f) divided by line 13 column (f))	17
18 Investment income percentage from 2008 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18
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	
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	
20 Private Foundation If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a or 19b, check this box and see instructions	

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

Additional Data

Software ID:
Software Version:
EIN: 30-0264417
Name: POLK ARTS ALLIANCE INC

Form 990EZ, Part IV - List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees

(A) Name and address	(B) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(C) Compensation (If not paid, enter -0-.)	(D) Contributions to employee benefit plans & deferred compensation	(E) Expense account and other allowances
MASS MERI  PO BOX 727 BARTOW, FL 338310727	EXECUTIVE DI 0	27,520		
ROSS CINDY  607 LAKE MIRIAM DRIVE LAKELAND, FL 338132150	PRESIDENT 0	0		
BENTLEY SUE  3 CASA LOMA WAY LAKELAND, FL 33813	PAST PRES 0	0		
CLANCEY ROBERT  999 AVENUE H NE WINTER HAVEN, FL 338814299	DIRECTOR 0	0		
CLARK DAN  2048 WISTERIA LANE LAKELAND, FL 33813	DIRECTOR 0	0		
DAVIES JOAN  PO BOX 9005 DRAWER CA04 BARTOW, FL 33831	DIRECTOR 0	0		
ENGLISH BOB  PO BOX 9005 DRAWER BC01 BARTOW, FL 33831	EX-OFFICIO 0	0		
HAFFEY CYNTHIA  829 E PALMETTO STREET LAKELAND, FL 33801	SECRETARY 0	0		
HOYT NANCY  PO BOX 832 LAKE WALES, FL 338590832	DIRECTOR 0	0		
LAPAN MIKE  701 W LIME STREET LAKELAND, FL 33815	DIRECTOR 0	0		
JORDAN LENNON  2030 SR 60 E BARTOW, FL 33830	DIRECTOR 0	0		
MCKINZIE DR GAIL  2641 VERANDAH VUE DRIVE LAKELAND, FL 33813	EX-OFFICIO 0	0		
PATTON JANE  PO BOX 986 HAINES CITY, FL 338450986	IM PAST PRES 0	0		
PFIEFFER TRISH  800 W MAIN STREET BARTOW, FL 33830	DIRECTOR 0	0		
SANDERS MANDY  811 E MAIN STREET LAKELAND, FL 33801	TREASURER 0	0		
STATOM DR GABRIEL  1006 CAMPBELL AVENUE LAKE WALES, FL 33853	VICE PRES 0	0		
TRUSTY-DOUGHTY KIMBERLY  8003 GLENRIDGE LOOP E LAKELAND, FL 33809	DIRECTOR 0	0		
UPDIKE AMELIA  514 N CROOKED LAKE DRIVE BABSON PARK, FL 33827	DIRECTOR 0	0		
WILSON KERRY  PO DRAWER 7608 WINTER HAVEN, FL 33883	LEGAL COUNS 0	0		

TY 2009 Compensation Explanation

Name: POLK ARTS ALLIANCE INC

EIN: 30-0264417

Person Name	Explanation
MASS MERI	
ROSS CINDY	
BENTLEY SUE	
CLANCEY ROBERT	
CLARK DAN	
DAVIES JOAN	
ENGLISH BOB	
HAFFEY CYNTHIA	
HOYT NANCY	
LAPAN MIKE	
JORDAN LENNON	
MCKINZIE DR GAIL	
PATTON JANE	
PFIEFFER TRISH	
SANDERS MANDY	
STATOM DR GABRIEL	
TRUSTY DOUGHTY KIMBERLY	
UPDIKE AMELIA	
WILSON KERRY	

TY 2009 Other Expenses Schedule

Name: POLK ARTS ALLIANCE INC**EIN:** 30-0264417

Description	Amount
EXPENSES	
ADVERTISING AND PROMOTION	100
POSTAGE	120
PRINTING	75
SUPPLIES	93
TELEPHONE	2,385
ARTIFACTS MAGAZINE EXP	19,600
COMPUTER SERVICES	642
DUES & SUBSCRIPTIONS	210
EQUIPMENT RENTAL & MAINT	4,333
LICENSES	70
MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES	3,182
PAYROLL SERVICE FEES	467
STAFF DEVELOPMENT	20

TY 2009 Other Liabilities Schedule

Name: POLK ARTS ALLIANCE INC**EIN:** 30-0264417

Description	Beginning of Year Amount	End of Year Amount
REFUNDS PAYABLE	15	
MEMORIAL FUND	200	200
	215	200