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Form 990

## Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

OMB No 1545-0047

2011

Open to Public  
InspectionDepartment of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue ServiceUnder 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.

<b>A For the 2011 calendar year, or tax year beginning</b>		April 1	, 2011, and ending	March 31	, 2012
<b>B Check if applicable.</b>		<b>C Name of organization</b> The Herb Society of America, Inc.		<b>D Employer identification number</b> 34-1596261	
<input type="checkbox"/> Address change		Doing Business As			
<input type="checkbox"/> Name change		Number and street (or P O box if mail is not delivered to street address)		Room/suite	
<input type="checkbox"/> Initial return		9019 Kirtland Chardon Road			
<input type="checkbox"/> Terminated		City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4			
<input type="checkbox"/> Amended return		Kirtland, OH 44094-5156		<b>G Gross receipts \$</b> 375,734	
<input type="checkbox"/> Application pending		<b>F Name and address of principal officer</b> Katrinka Morgan, Executive Director 9019 Kirtland Chardon Road, Kirtland, OH 44094-5156		<b>H(a) Is this a group return for affiliates?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
<b>I Tax-exempt status:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) <input type="checkbox"/> 501(c) ( ) <input type="checkbox"/> (insert no) <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or <input type="checkbox"/> 527				<b>H(b) Are all affiliates included?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If "No," attach a list (see instructions)	
<b>J Website:</b> ► <a href="http://www.herbsociety.org">www.herbsociety.org</a>				<b>H(c) Group exemption number</b> ►	
<b>K Form of organization</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Association <input type="checkbox"/> Other ►				<b>L Year of formation</b> 1935	<b>M State of legal domicile</b> OH

<b>Activities &amp; Governance</b>	<b>1</b> Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: The Herb Society of America, Inc. is a nonprofit corporation organized in 1933 for the purpose of furthering the knowledge and use of herbs and contributing the results of the experience and research of its members to the records of horticulture, science and related arts.		
	<b>2</b> Check this box ► <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets.		
<b>3</b> Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a) . . . . .	<b>3</b> 15		
<b>4</b> Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b) . . . . .	<b>4</b> 15		
<b>5</b> Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2011 (Part V, line 2a) . . . . .	<b>5</b> 7		
<b>6</b> Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary) . . . . .	<b>6</b> 2,000		
<b>7a</b> Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12 . . . . .	<b>7a</b> 0		
<b>b</b> Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34 . . . . .	<b>7b</b>		
<b>Revenue</b>	<b>8</b> Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1b) . . . . .	<b>Prior Year</b> 178,903	<b>Current Year</b> 183,727
	<b>9</b> Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g) . . . . .	145,782	121,357
<b>10</b> Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d) . . . . .	25,390	10,891	
<b>11</b> Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e) . . . . .	221	3,407	
<b>12</b> Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12) . . . . .	350,296	319,382	
<b>Expenses</b>	<b>13</b> Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3) . . . . .	27,279	31,447
	<b>14</b> Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4) . . . . .	151,179	130,900
<b>15</b> Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10) . . . . .			
<b>16a</b> Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e) . . . . .			
<b>b</b> Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ► 12,947			
<b>17</b> Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e) . . . . .	256,961	228,631	
<b>18</b> Total expenses. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25) . . . . .	435,419	390,978	
<b>19</b> Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12 . . . . .	(85,123)	(71,596)	
<b>Net Assets or Fund Balances</b>	<b>20</b> Total assets (Part X, line 16) . . . . .	<b>Beginning of Current Year</b> 2,316,598	<b>End of Year</b> 2,270,845
	<b>21</b> Total liabilities (Part X, line 26) . . . . .	100,312	138,673
<b>22</b> Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20 . . . . .	2,216,286	2,132,172	

**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

<b>Sign Here</b>	<i>Katrinka D. Morgan</i>	Date
	<i>KATRINKA D. MORGAN</i>	NOVEMBER 14, 2012
	Type or print name and title	

<b>Paid Preparer Use Only</b>	Print/Type preparer's name	Preparer's signature	Date	Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed	PTIN
	Firm's name ►		Firm's EIN ►		
	Firm's address ►		Phone no		

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

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**Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments**Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part III 1 Briefly describe the organization's mission:

The Herb Society of America, Inc. is dedicated to promoting the knowledge, use and delight of herbs through educational programs, research, and sharing the experiences of its members with the community.

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 organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured 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 \$ 206,882 including grants of \$ \_\_\_\_\_) (Revenue \$ 108,091)   
 Symposia - National conference with lectures, workshops, and other educational forums to further the knowledge of herbs.

4b (Code: \_\_\_\_\_) (Expenses \$ 50,052 including grants of \$ \_\_\_\_\_) (Revenue \$ 13,266)   
 Publications - Available to members and the general public to further the knowledge of herbs.

4c (Code: \_\_\_\_\_) (Expenses \$ 66,736 including grants of \$ \_\_\_\_\_) (Revenue \$ -0-)   
 Research Grants and Awards - Grants from The Herb Society of America, Inc. are made from the scholarship fund to selected recipients who have made applications outlining proposed programs of scientific or academic investigation of herbal plants. The scholarship committee determines the amount of the grants and it is subject to approval of the board of directors of The Herb Society of America, Inc. Progress reports and a complete copy of the finished work must be submitted. The National Herb Garden disbursements are made from The National Herb Garden Fund to the U.S. National Arboretum for day-to-day functioning of the garden. The National Herb Garden Fund is a working fund with moneys available immediately through and by the Friends of the U.S. National Arboretum, 3501 New York Avenue, Washington D.C., 20002. Any expenditures of capital from this fund must be proposed by The National Herb Garden and approved by the board of directors of The Herb Society of America, Inc.

4d Other program services (Describe in Schedule O.)   
 (Expenses \$ 10,010 including grants of \$ \_\_\_\_\_) (Revenue \$ -0-)   
 4e Total program service expenses ► 333,680

**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)? If "Yes," complete Schedule A	1 ✓	
2	Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors (see instructions)?	2 ✓	
3	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	3 ✓	
4	<b>Section 501(c)(3) organizations.</b> Did the organization engage in lobbying activities, or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II	4 ✓	
5	Is the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization that receives membership dues, assessments, or similar amounts as defined in Revenue Procedure 98-19? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III	5	
6	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts for which donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I	6 ✓	
7	Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II	7 ✓	
8	Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III	8 ✓	
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV	9 ✓	
10	Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in temporarily restricted endowments, permanent endowments, or quasi-endowments? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V	10 ✓	
11	If the organization's answer to any of the following questions is "Yes," then complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable.		
a	Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI	11a ✓	
b	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? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII	11b ✓	
c	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? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII	11c ✓	
d	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? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX	11d ✓	
e	Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X	11e ✓	
f	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 (ASC 740)? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X	11f ✓	
12 a	Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII	12a ✓	
b	Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," and if the organization answered "No" to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII is optional	12b ✓	
13	Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E	13 ✓	
14 a	Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?	14a ✓	
b	Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, investment, and program service activities outside the United States, or aggregate foreign investments valued at \$100,000 or more? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV	14b ✓	
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 United States? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV	15 ✓	
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 United States? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV	16 ✓	
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I (see instructions)	17 ✓	
18	Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II	18 ✓	
19	Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III	19 ✓	
20 a	Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? If "Yes," complete Schedule H	20a ✓	
b	If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?	20b ✓	

**Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)**

21 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants and other assistance to any government or organization in the United States on Part IX, column (A), line 1? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II . . . . .

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? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III . . . . .

23 Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5 about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? If "Yes," complete Schedule J . . . . .

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? If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25 . . . . .

- b Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception? . . . . .
- 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? . . . . .
- d Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year? . . . . .

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? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I . . . . .

- 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? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I . . . . .

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? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II . . . . .

27 Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III . . . . .

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):

- a A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV . . . . .
- b A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV . . . . .
- c An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee (or a family member thereof) was an officer, director, trustee, or direct or indirect owner? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV . . . . .

29 Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M . . . . .

30 Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M . . . . .

31 Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I . . . . .

32 Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II . . . . .

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? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I . . . . .

34 Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Parts II, III, IV, and V, line 1 . . . . .

35a Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? . . . . .

- b Did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2 . . . . .

36 **Section 501(c)(3) organizations.** Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2 . . . . .

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? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI . . . . .

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 . . . . .

	Yes	No
21	✓	
22	✓	
23	✓	
24a	✓	
24b	✓	
24c	✓	
24d	✓	
25a	✓	
25b	✓	
26	✓	
27	✓	
28a	✓	
28b	✓	
28c	✓	
29	✓	
30	✓	
31	✓	
32	✓	
33	✓	
34	✓	
35a	✓	
35b	✓	
36	✓	
37	✓	
38	✓	

**Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance**  
 Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part V

	Yes	No
<b>1a</b> Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096. Enter -0- if not applicable	1a	7
<b>b</b> Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable	1b	-0-
<b>c</b> Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?	1c	✓
<b>2a</b> Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return	2a	7
<b>b</b> If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns? <i>Note. If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file (see instructions)</i>	2b	✓
<b>3a</b> Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?	3a	✓
<b>b</b> If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O	3b	
<b>4a</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)?	4a	✓
<b>b</b> If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: ► See instructions for filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts.	5a	✓
<b>5a</b> Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?	5b	✓
<b>b</b> Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?	5c	
<b>6a</b> 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?	6a	✓
<b>b</b> If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?	6b	
<b>7</b> <b>Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).</b>	7a	✓
<b>a</b> 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?	7b	
<b>b</b> If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?	7c	✓
<b>c</b> Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?	7d	
<b>d</b> If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year	7e	✓
<b>e</b> Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?	7f	✓
<b>f</b> Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?	7g	
<b>g</b> If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?	7h	
<b>h</b> If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?	8	
<b>8</b> <b>Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds and section 509(a)(3) supporting organizations.</b> Did the supporting organization, or a donor advised fund maintained by a sponsoring organization, have excess business holdings at any time during the year?	9a	
<b>9</b> <b>Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.</b>	9b	
<b>a</b> Did the organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?		
<b>b</b> Did the organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?		
<b>10</b> <b>Section 501(c)(7) organizations.</b> Enter:		
<b>a</b> Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12	10a	
<b>b</b> Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities	10b	
<b>11</b> <b>Section 501(c)(12) organizations.</b> Enter:		
<b>a</b> Gross income from members or shareholders	11a	
<b>b</b> Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.)	11b	
<b>12a</b> <b>Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts.</b> Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?	12a	
<b>b</b> If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year	12b	
<b>13</b> <b>Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.</b>	13a	
<b>a</b> Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state?		
<b>Note.</b> See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O.		
<b>b</b> Enter the amount of reserves the organization is required to maintain by the states in which the organization is licensed to issue qualified health plans	13b	
<b>c</b> Enter the amount of reserves on hand	13c	
<b>14a</b> Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?	14a	✓
<b>b</b> If "Yes," has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O	14b	

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

### Section A. Governing Body and Management

		1a	15	Yes	No
1a	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year . . . . .				
	If there are material differences in voting rights among members of the governing body, or if the governing body delegated broad authority to an executive committee or similar committee, explain in Schedule O.				
b	Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent . . . . .	1b	15		
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? . . . . .			2	✓
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? . . . . .			3	✓
4	Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed? . . . . .			4	✓
5	Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets? . . . . .			5	✓
6	Did the organization have members or stockholders? . . . . .			6	✓
7a	Did the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who had the power to elect or appoint one or more members of the governing body? . . . . .			7a	✓
b	Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body? . . . . .			7b	✓
8	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:			8a	✓
a	The governing body? . . . . .			8b	✓
b	Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body? . . . . .			9	✓
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. . . . .				

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

		Yes	No
10a	Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates? . . . . .	10a	✓
b	If "Yes," did the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with the organization's exempt purposes? . . . . .	10b	✓
11a	Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form? . . . . .	11a	✓
b	Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990. . . . .	12a	✓
12a	Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13 . . . . .	12b	✓
b	Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts? . . . . .	12c	✓
c	Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this was done . . . . .	13	✓
13	Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy? . . . . .	14	✓
14	Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy? . . . . .	15a	✓
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? . . . . .	15b	✓
a	The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official . . . . .	16a	✓
b	Other officers or key employees of the organization . . . . .		
	If "Yes" to line 15a or 15b, describe the process in Schedule O (see instructions). . . . .	16b	
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? . . . . .		
b	If "Yes," did the organization follow a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and take 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 ► Ohio
18	Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (Section 501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made 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 made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public during the tax year.
20	State the name, physical address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the books and records of the organization: ► Katrinka Morgan, Executive Director-9019 Kirtland Chardon Road, Kirtland, OH 44094, (440) 256-0514

**Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors**

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part VII

**Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees**

**1a** Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

• List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.

• List all of the organization's **current** key employees, if any. See instructions for definition of "key employee."

• List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee, or key employee) who received reportable compensation (Box 5 of Form W-2 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations.

• List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, and highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

• List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

List persons in the following order: individual trustees or directors; institutional trustees; officers; key employees; highest compensated employees; and former such persons.

Check this box if neither the organization nor any related organization compensated any current officer, director, or trustee.

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (describe hours for related organizations in Schedule O)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(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 director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former				
(1) Katrinka Morgan, Executive Director	32	✓						49,197	-0-	-0-	
(2) Linda Lain, President				✓					-0-	-0-	-0-
(3) Debbie Boutelier, Vice-President				✓					-0-	-0-	-0-
(4) Sue Edmundson, Secretary				✓					-0-	-0-	-0-
(5) Linda Lange, Treasurer				✓					-0-	-0-	-0-
(6) Linda Wells, Great Lakes District Delegate				✓					-0-	-0-	-0-
(7) Cindy Meier, Mid-Atlantic District Delegate				✓					-0-	-0-	-0-
(8) Claudia Van Nes, Northeast District Delegate				✓					-0-	-0-	-0-
(9) Rae McKimm, Southeast District Delegate				✓					-0-	-0-	-0-
(10) Mary Doebbeling, South Central District Delegate				✓					-0-	-0-	-0-
(11) Karen Mahshi, West District Delegate				✓					-0-	-0-	-0-
(12) Elizabeth Kennel, Botany and Horticulture Chairperson				✓					-0-	-0-	-0-
(13) Karen O'Brien, Development Chairperson				✓					-0-	-0-	-0-
(14) Carol Czechowski, Educational Chairperson				✓					-0-	-0-	-0-

**Part VII Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees (continued)**

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (describe hours for related organizations in Schedule O)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)					(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	
		Or director or trustee	Individual trustee	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee				
(15) Diane Poston, Membership Chairperson					✓			-0-	-0-	-0-
(16) Lois Sutton, Nominating Chairperson					✓			-0-	-0-	-0-
(17) Jim Adams, Honorary President					✓			-0-	-0-	-0-
(18)										
(19)										
(20)										
(21)										
(22)										
(23)										
(24)										
(25)										
1b Sub-total . . . . . ►							49,197	-0-	-0-	
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A . . . . . ►										
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c) . . . . . ►							49,197	-0-	-0-	
2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization ► 0										

		Yes	No
3 Did the organization list any <b>former</b> officer, director, or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual . . . . .	3	✓	
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual . . . . .	4	✓	
5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person . . . . .	5	✓	

**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. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

(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 of 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
<b>Contributions, Grants and Other Similar Amounts</b>	<b>1a</b> Federated campaigns . . . . .	<b>1a</b>			
	<b>b</b> Membership dues . . . . .	<b>1b</b> 112,705			
	<b>c</b> Fundraising events . . . . .	<b>1c</b>			
	<b>d</b> Related organizations . . . . .	<b>1d</b>			
	<b>e</b> Government grants (contributions)	<b>1e</b>			
	<b>f</b> All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	<b>1f</b> 71,022			
	<b>g</b> Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f: \$				
	<b>h</b> <b>Total.</b> Add lines 1a-1f ►	<b>183,727</b>			
<b>Program Service Revenue</b>		<b>Business Code</b>			
	<b>2a</b> Publications	<b>511120</b>	<b>13,266</b>	<b>13,266</b>	
	<b>b</b> Symposia	<b>900099</b>	<b>108,091</b>	<b>108,091</b>	
	<b>c</b>				
	<b>d</b>				
	<b>e</b>				
	<b>f</b> All other program service revenue .				
	<b>g</b> <b>Total.</b> Add lines 2a-2f ►	<b>121,357</b>			
	<b>3</b> Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts) . . . . . ►		<b>24,382</b>		<b>24,382</b>
	<b>4</b> Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds ►				
	<b>5</b> Royalties . . . . . ►				
		(i) Real	(ii) Personal		
	<b>6a</b> Gross rents . . . . .				
	<b>b</b> Less: rental expenses				
	<b>c</b> Rental income or (loss)				
	<b>d</b> Net rental income or (loss) . . . . . ►				
	<b>7a</b> Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities	(ii) Other		
		<b>41,039</b>			
	<b>b</b> Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses .	<b>54,530</b>			
	<b>c</b> Gain or (loss) . . . . .	<b>(13,491)</b>			
	<b>d</b> Net gain or (loss) . . . . . ►	<b>(13,491)</b>			<b>(13,491)</b>
<b>Other Revenue</b>	<b>8a</b> Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ . . . . . of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18 . . . . . a				
	<b>b</b> Less: direct expenses . . . . . b				
	<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from fundraising events . ►				
	<b>9a</b> Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19 . . . . . a				
	<b>b</b> Less: direct expenses . . . . . b				
	<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from gaming activities . . ►				
	<b>10a</b> Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances . . . . . a	<b>2,430</b>			
	<b>b</b> Less: cost of goods sold . . . . . b	<b>1,822</b>			
	<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory . . ►	<b>608</b>	<b>608</b>		
	<b>Miscellaneous Revenue</b>	<b>Business Code</b>			
	<b>11a</b> Insurance Assessments	<b>900099</b>	<b>1,320</b>	<b>1,320</b>	
	<b>b</b> Friends Library Revenue	<b>900099</b>	<b>1,479</b>	<b>1,479</b>	
	<b>c</b>				
	<b>d</b> All other revenue . . . . .				
	<b>e</b> <b>Total.</b> Add lines 11a-11d . . . . . ►	<b>2,799</b>			
	<b>12</b> <b>Total revenue.</b> See instructions. . . . . ►	<b>319,382</b>	<b>124,764</b>		<b>10,891</b>

**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).

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part IX

<i>Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.</i>		(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 United States. See Part IV, line 21	30,647	30,647		
2	Grants and other assistance to individuals in the United States. See Part IV, line 22	800	800		
3	Grants and other assistance to governments, organizations, and individuals outside the United States. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16				
4	Benefits paid to or for members				
5	Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	49,197	39,358	7,872	1,967
6	Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)				
7	Other salaries and wages	71,081	56,865	11,373	2,843
8	Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)				
9	Other employee benefits	279	223	45	11
10	Payroll taxes	10,343	8,274	1,655	414
11	Fees for services (non-employees):				
a	Management				
b	Legal	2,303	622	1,681	
c	Accounting	4,400	1,188	3,212	
d	Lobbying				
e	Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17				
f	Investment management fees				
g	Other				
12	Advertising and promotion				
13	Office expenses	17,767	14,213	2,843	711
14	Information technology	5,501	5,501		
15	Royalties				
16	Occupancy	13,937	11,150	2,230	557
17	Travel	19,701	11,908	6,009	1,784
18	Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19	Conferences, conventions, and meetings	98,437	98,070	275	92
20	Interest				
21	Payments to affiliates				
22	Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	18,818	15,054	3,011	753
23	Insurance	3,646	2,917	583	146
24	Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above. (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O.)				
a	Computer Consult	3,061	826	2,235	
b	District Operations	3,086	2,778		308
c	Member Benefits/Development	5,955	2,927		3,028
d	Publications	23,715	23,715		
e	All other expenses <b>Miscellaneous</b>	8,304	6,644	1,327	333
25	<b>Total functional expenses.</b> Add lines 1 through 24e	390,978	333,680	44,351	12,947
26	Joint costs. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation. Check here ► <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)				

## Part X Balance Sheet

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
Assets	1 Cash—non-interest-bearing		1	
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	18,595	2	15,291
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net		3	
	4 Accounts receivable, net		4	109
	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)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instructions)		6	
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net		7	
	8 Inventories for sale or use	6,449	8	8,187
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	9,442	9	10,577
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a 788,380		
	b Less: accumulated depreciation	10b 234,632	572,042	10c 553,748
	11 Investments—publicly traded securities	1,671,283	11	1,645,455
	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	38,787	15	37,478
	16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	2,316,598	16	2,270,845
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	32,179	17	30,729
	18 Grants payable		18	
	19 Deferred revenue	64,690	19	104,380
	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 (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17-24). Complete Part X of Schedule D	3,443		3,564
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	100,312	26	138,673
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	1,116,802	27	1,045,170
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets	188,980	28	191,152
	29 Permanently restricted net assets	910,504	29	895,850
	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	2,216,286	33	2,132,172
	34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	2,316,598	34	2,270,845

**Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets**Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part XI 

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12) . . . . .	1	319,382
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25) . . . . .	2	390,978
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1 . . . . .	3	(71,596)
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A)) . . . . .	4	2,216,286
5	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O) . . . . .	5	(12,518)
6	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3, 4, and 5 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B)) . . . . .	6	2,132,172

**Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting**Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part XII 

1 Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990:  Cash  Accrual  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? . . . . .

b Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant? . . . . .

c If "Yes" to line 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.

d If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were issued on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both:

Separate basis  Consolidated basis  Both consolidated and separate 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? . . . . .

b 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

	Yes	No
2a	✓	
2b		✓
2c	✓	
3a		✓
3b		

**SCHEDULE A**  
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**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.

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**2011**

Open to Public  
Inspection

Name of the organization

The Herb Society of America, Inc.

Employer identification number

34-1596261

**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 described in **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 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	
(A)									
(B)									
(C)									
(D)									
(E)									
<b>Total</b>									

**Part II Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 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 or if the organization failed to qualify under Part III. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part III.)

**Section A. Public Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2007	(b) 2008	(c) 2009	(d) 2010	(e) 2011	(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 <b>Total.</b> 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 <b>Public support.</b> Subtract line 5 from line 4. . . . .						

**Section B. Total Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2007	(b) 2008	(c) 2009	(d) 2010	(e) 2011	(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. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.) . . . . .						
11 <b>Total support.</b> Add lines 7 through 10						
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions) . . . . .					12	
13 <b>First five years.</b> If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and <b>stop here</b> . . . . . ► <input type="checkbox"/>						

**Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage**

14 Public support percentage for 2011 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f)) . . . . .	14	%
15 Public support percentage from 2010 Schedule A, Part II, line 14 . . . . .	15	%
16a <b>33<math>\frac{1}{3}</math>% support test—2011.</b> If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 $\frac{1}{3}$ % or more, check this box and <b>stop here</b> . The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization . . . . . ► <input type="checkbox"/>		
b <b>33<math>\frac{1}{3}</math>% support test—2010.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 $\frac{1}{3}$ % or more, check this box and <b>stop here</b> . The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization . . . . . ► <input type="checkbox"/>		
17a <b>10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2011.</b> 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 <b>stop here</b> . Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization . . . . . ► <input type="checkbox"/>		
b <b>10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2010.</b> 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 <b>stop here</b> . Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization . . . . . ► <input type="checkbox"/>		
18 <b>Private foundation.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions . . . . . ► <input type="checkbox"/>		

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

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 9 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part II.  
If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part II.)

**Section A. Public Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2007	(b) 2008	(c) 2009	(d) 2010	(e) 2011	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")	217,882	396,332	198,688	178,903	183,727	1,175,532
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 . . .	92,171	127,707	109,128	145,782	121,357	596,145
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 <b>Total.</b> Add lines 1 through 5 . . .	<b>310,053</b>	<b>524,039</b>	<b>307,816</b>	<b>324,685</b>	<b>305,084</b>	<b>1,771,677</b>
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 <b>Public support</b> (Subtract line 7c from line 6.) . . . . .						<b>1,771,677</b>

**Section B. Total Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2007	(b) 2008	(c) 2009	(d) 2010	(e) 2011	(f) Total
9 Amounts from line 6 . . . . .	<b>310,053</b>	<b>524,039</b>	<b>307,816</b>	<b>324,685</b>	<b>305,084</b>	<b>1,771,677</b>
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources .	60,189	45,193	34,343	25,005	24,382	189,112
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975 . . . .						
c Add lines 10a and 10b . . . . .	<b>60,189</b>	<b>45,193</b>	<b>34,343</b>	<b>25,005</b>	<b>24,382</b>	<b>189,112</b>
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 <b>Total support.</b> (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.) . . . . .	<b>370,242</b>	<b>569,232</b>	<b>342,159</b>	<b>349,690</b>	<b>329,466</b>	<b>1,960,789</b>
14 <b>First five years.</b> If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and <b>stop here</b> . . . . . ► <input type="checkbox"/>						

**Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage**

15 Public support percentage for 2011 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f)) . . . . .	<b>15</b>	<b>90.4 %</b>
16 Public support percentage from 2010 Schedule A, Part III, line 15 . . . . .	<b>16</b>	<b>88.4 %</b>

**Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage**

17 Investment income percentage for 2011 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f)) . . . . .	<b>17</b>	<b>9.6 %</b>
18 Investment income percentage from 2010 Schedule A, Part III, line 17 . . . . .	<b>18</b>	<b>11.6 %</b>
19a <b>33 1/3% support tests—2011.</b> 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 <b>stop here</b> . The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization . ► <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
b <b>33 1/3% support tests—2010.</b> 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 <b>stop here</b> . The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ► <input type="checkbox"/>		
20 <b>Private foundation.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a, or 19b, check this box and see instructions ► <input type="checkbox"/>		

**SCHEDULE D**  
(Form 990)**Supplemental Financial Statements**

OMB No 1545-0047

**2011**Open to Public  
InspectionDepartment of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization

The Herb Society of America, Inc.

Employer identification number

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► Complete if the organization answered "Yes," to Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b.  
 ► Attach to Form 990. ► See separate instructions.

<b>Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts.</b> Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 6.		
	(a) Donor advised funds	(b) Funds and other accounts
1 Total number at end of year . . . . .		
2 Aggregate contributions to (during year) . . . . .		
3 Aggregate grants from (during year) . . . . .		
4 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? . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
6 Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds can 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? . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

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

	Held at the End of the Tax Year
2a	
2b	
2c	
2d	

a Total number of conservation easements . . . . .

b Total acreage restricted by conservation easements . . . . .

c Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a) . . . . .

d Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 8/17/06, and not on a historic structure listed in the National Register . . . . .

3 Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the tax 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? . . . . .  Yes  No

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 section 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)? . . . . .  Yes  No

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 (ASC 958), 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 (ASC 958), 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 (ASC 958) 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 acquisition, accession, and other records, check any of the following that are a significant use of its collection items (check all that apply):

a <input type="checkbox"/> Public exhibition	d <input type="checkbox"/> Loan or exchange programs
b <input type="checkbox"/> Scholarly research	e <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____
c <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation for future generations	

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	
1d	
1e	
1f	

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	1,645,959	1,886,948	1,804,763	2,254,563	
b Contributions	48,098	56,523	67,458	255,989	
c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses	3,366	82,292	219,798	(201,596)	
d Grants or scholarships					
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs	143,139	379,804	205,071	504,193	
f Administrative expenses					
g End of year balance	1,554,284	1,645,959	1,886,948	1,804,763	

2 Provide the estimated percentage of the current year end balance (line 1g, column (a)) held as:

a Board designated or quasi-endowment ► 30.06 %

b Permanent endowment ► 57.64 %

c Temporarily restricted endowment ► 12.30 %

The percentages in lines 2a, 2b, and 2c should equal 100%.

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

(i) unrelated organizations . . . . .

(ii) related organizations . . . . .

b If "Yes" to 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R? . . . . .

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

Yes	No
3a(i)	✓
3a(ii)	✓
3b	

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

	Description of property	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land		28,375			28,375
b Buildings		710,730		188,674	522,056
c Leasehold improvements					
d Equipment		49,275		45,958	3,317
e Other					

Total. Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c.)) . . . . . ► 553,748

**Part VII Investments—Other Securities.** See Form 990, Part X, line 12.

(a) Description of security or category (including name of security)	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation. Cost or end-of-year market value
(1) Financial derivatives		
(2) Closely-held equity interests		
(3) Other		
(A)		
(B)		
(C)		
(D)		
(E)		
(F)		
(G)		
(H)		
(I)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 12.) ►		

**Part VIII Investments—Program Related.** See Form 990, Part X, line 13.

(a) Description of investment type	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation. Cost or end-of-year market value
(1)		
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		
(10)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 13.) ►		

**Part IX Other Assets.** See Form 990, Part X, line 15.

(a) Description	(b) Book value
(1)	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
(10)	

Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 15.) ►

**Part X Other Liabilities.** See Form 990, Part X, line 25.

(a) Description of liability	(b) Book value	
(1) Federal income taxes		
(2) Payroll liabilities	3,555	
(3) Sales tax payable	9	
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		
(10)		
(11)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 25.) ►	3,564	

2. FIN 48 (ASC 740) Footnote. In Part XIV, provide the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that reports the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740).

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

1 Total revenue (Form 990, Part VIII, column (A), line 12) . . . . .	1
2 Total expenses (Form 990, Part IX, column (A), line 25) . . . . .	2
3 Excess or (deficit) for the year. Subtract line 2 from line 1 . . . . .	3
4 Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments . . . . .	4
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 through 8 . . . . .	9
10 Excess or (deficit) for the year per audited financial statements. Combine lines 3 and 9 . . . . .	10

**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
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
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
c Add lines 4a and 4b . . . . .	4c
5 Total revenue. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12.) . . . . .	5

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

1 Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements . . . . .	1
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
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 must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18.) . . . . .	5

**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, line 2; 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.

Part V, Line 4 - The endowment funds of The Herb Society of America, Inc. are intended to be used on the donor-imposed stipulations. Use of these funds is in some cases restricted to only the income produced by the specific fund while others allow for invasion of the principal as permitted by actions of the Board. The funds are available to support the general purpose of The Society or are for specific programs such as The National Herb Garden, The Society's library, research and educational programs, district operations and enhancement and preservation of The Society's headquarters.

**SCHEDULE I**  
**(Form 990)**Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service  
Name of the organization**Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations,  
Governments, and Individuals in the United States**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 21 or 22.

► Attach to Form 990.

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**Part I General Information on Grants and Assistance**

1 Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of the grants or assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance?  Yes  No

2 Describe in Part IV the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of grant funds in the United States.

**Part II Grants and Other Assistance to Governments and Organizations in the United States**. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 21, for any recipient that received more than \$5,000. Check this box if no one recipient received more than \$5,000.

Part II can be duplicated if additional space is needed

1 (a) Name and address of organization or government	2 (b) EIN	3 (c) IRC section if applicable	4 (d) Amount of cash grant	5 (e) Amount of non-cash assistance	6 (f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	7 (g) Description of non-cash assistance	8 (h) Purpose of grant or assistance
(1) The U.S. National Arboretum 3501 New York Avenue (2) Washington, DC 20002	72-0564834	501(c)(3)	21,825				See Part IV
(3)							
(4)							
(5)							
(6)							
(7)							
(8)							
(9)							
(10)							
(11)							
(12)							

2 Enter total number of section 501(c)(3) and government organizations listed in the line 1 table

3 Enter total number of other organizations listed in the line 1 table

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Schedule I (Form 990) (2011)

**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. Part III can be duplicated 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
1						
2						
3						
4						
5						
6						
7						

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

Grants from The Herb Society of America, Inc. are made from the scholarship fund to selected recipients who have made applications outlining proposed programs of scientific or academic investigation of herbal plants. The scholarship committee determines the amount of the grants and it is subject to approval of the board of directors of The Herb Society of

America, Inc. Progress reports and a complete copy of finished work must be submitted. The National Herb Garden disbursements are made from The National Herb Garden fund to The

U.S. National Arboretum for day-to-day functioning of the garden. The National Herb Garden fund is a working fund with money available immediately through and by Friends of the U.S.

National Arboretum. Any expenditures of capital from this fund must be proposed by The National Herb Garden and approved by the board of directors of The Herb Society of America, Inc.

## Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on  
Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information.

► Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.

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### Form 990, Part III, Line 4d - Other Program Services

Various activities furthering the exempt purpose of The Herb Society of America, Inc. including the operations of a library and maintaining a website both which are available for use by members and non-members.

### Form 990, Part VI, Line 6, 7a and 7b

The Herb Society of America, Inc. has members. The governing body is elected by members and hold terms of 2 to 3 years. Decisions of the governing body are subject to approval by members. A meeting of members is held annually.

### Form 990, Part VI, Line 8a and 8b

Meetings held and actions undertaken during the year by the governing body as well as by committees acting on behalf of the governing body are documented in meeting minutes.

### Form 990, Part VI, Line 11b

The Form 990 is reviewed by an independent accountant and is provided to the Executive Director and Finance and Operating Committee for review prior to filing.

### Form 990, Part VI, Line 12c

Board members are required to sign a conflict of interest policy upon election and then annually while they are a member of the governing body.

### Form 990, part VI, Line 15

Compensation of the Executive Director and key employees, if any, is reviewed annually by the Executive Committee. Data is taken from the APGA compensation study in determining appropriate compensation amounts.

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**Form 990, Part VI, Line 19**

**The Herb Society of America, Inc. has posted on its website the organizations governing documents, conflict of interest policy, financial statements and Form 990.**

**Form 990, Part XI, Line 5**

**Other changes in net assets or fund balances is due to unrealized losses on investments.**