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Form **990**

# Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

OMB No 1545-0047

**2011**

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)

Open to Public Inspection

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

**A** For the 2011 calendar year, or tax year beginning **07/01/11**, and ending **06/30/12**

<b>B</b> Check if applicable: <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Terminated <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	<b>C</b> Name of organization <b>OPERA CAROLINA ENDOWMENT</b>		<b>D</b> Employer identification number <b>20-2533756</b>
	Doing Business As		<b>E</b> Telephone number <b>704-332-7177</b>
	Number and street (or P O box if mail is not delivered to street address)		
	<b>301 S TRYON ST</b>		Room/suite <b>#1550</b>
City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4 <b>CHARLOTTE NC 28282-1915</b>			<b>G</b> Gross receipts \$ <b>64,785</b>
<b>F</b> Name and address of principal officer <b>JAMES MEENA</b> <b>301 S TRYON ST STE 1550</b> <b>CHARLOTTE NC 28282</b>			<b>H(a)</b> Is this a group return for affiliates? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <b>H(b)</b> Are all affiliates included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If "No," attach a list (see instructions)
<b>I</b> Tax-exempt status <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) <input type="checkbox"/> 501(c) ( ) (insert no) <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or <input type="checkbox"/> 527			
<b>J</b> Website <b>N/A</b>			
<b>K</b> Form of organization <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Association <input type="checkbox"/> Other			<b>L</b> Year of formation <b>2004</b>
			<b>M</b> State of legal domicile <b>NC</b>

## Part I Summary

<b>Activities &amp; Governance</b>	<b>1</b> Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities <b>TO SUPPORT THE ONGOING EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL ACTIVITIES OF OPERA CAROLINA.</b>		
	<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>	<b>5</b>
	<b>4</b> Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
	<b>5</b> Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2011 (Part V, line 2a)	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>6</b> Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	<b>6</b>	<b>15</b>
	<b>7a</b> Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	<b>7a</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>b</b> Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	<b>7b</b>	<b>0</b>	
<b>Revenue</b>	<b>8</b> Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	Prior Year	Current Year
	<b>9</b> Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	<b>279,266</b>	<b>40,097</b>
	<b>10</b> Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>11</b> Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	<b>53,664</b>	<b>24,688</b>
	<b>12</b> Total revenue - add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>13</b> Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)	<b>332,930</b>	<b>64,785</b>
	<b>14</b> Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)	<b>72,942</b>	<b>61,748</b>
	<b>15</b> Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>16a</b> Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>b</b> Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (A), line 25) <b>3,127</b>	<b>1,302</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>17</b> Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e)	<b>10,651</b>	<b>13,619</b>	
<b>18</b> Total expenses - Add lines 16 and 17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	<b>84,895</b>	<b>75,367</b>	
<b>19</b> Revenue less expenses - Subtract line 18 from line 12	<b>248,035</b>	<b>-10,582</b>	
<b>Net Assets or Fund Balances</b>	<b>20</b> Total assets (Part X, line 16)	Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
	<b>21</b> Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	<b>2,333,712</b>	<b>2,315,010</b>
	<b>22</b> Net assets or fund balances - Subtract line 21 from line 20	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
		<b>2,333,712</b>	<b>2,315,010</b>

## 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>	Signature of officer 	Date <b>11/13/12</b>			
	<b>JAMES MEENA</b> Type or print name and title	<b>PRESIDENT</b>			
<b>Paid Preparer Use Only</b>	Print/Type preparer's name <b>SUSAN C BENTON WILSON</b>	Preparer's signature 	Date <b>10/31/12</b>	Check <input type="checkbox"/> if PTIN self-employed	PTIN <b>P00056605</b>
	Firm's name <b>WAGNER NOBLE &amp; COMPANY</b>	Firm's EIN <b>56-1368162</b>			
	Firm's address <b>5970 FAIRVIEW ROAD, SUITE 402 CHARLOTTE, NC 28210</b>	Phone no <b>704-552-0553</b>			

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

**TO SUPPORT THE ONGOING EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL ACTIVITIES OF OPERA CAROLINA.**

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 \$ **61,748** including grants of \$ **61,748** ) (Revenue \$ )  
**MANAGED THE INVESTMENTS OF OPERA CAROLINA'S ENDOWMENT IN A FISCALLY SOUND MANNER TO MAXIMIZE THE FUNDS AVAILABLE TO OPERA CAROLINA FOR PROGRAMS AND OPERA PRODUCTIONS.**

4b (Code ) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

4c (Code ) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

4d Other program services (Describe in Schedule O )

(Expenses \$ including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

4e Total program service expenses **61,748**

**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	<b>X</b>	
2 Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors (see instructions)?	<b>X</b>	
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		<b>X</b>
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		<b>X</b>
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		<b>X</b>
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		<b>X</b>
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		<b>X</b>
8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III		<b>X</b>
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		<b>X</b>
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	<b>X</b>	
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		<b>X</b>
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		<b>X</b>
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		<b>X</b>
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		<b>X</b>
e Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X		<b>X</b>
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		<b>X</b>
12a Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII	<b>X</b>	
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	<b>X</b>	
13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E		<b>X</b>
14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?		<b>X</b>
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		<b>X</b>
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		<b>X</b>
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		<b>X</b>
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)		<b>X</b>
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		<b>X</b>
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		<b>X</b>
20a Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? If "Yes," complete Schedule H		<b>X</b>
b If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?		

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

	Yes	No
<b>21</b> 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	<b>X</b>	
<b>22</b> 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		<b>X</b>
<b>23</b> 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		<b>X</b>
<b>24a</b> 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>X</b>
<b>b</b> Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?		
<b>c</b> Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?		
<b>d</b> Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?		
<b>25a</b> <b>Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations.</b> Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I		<b>X</b>
<b>b</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		<b>X</b>
<b>26</b> 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		<b>X</b>
<b>27</b> 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		<b>X</b>
<b>28</b> 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)		
<b>a</b> A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV		<b>X</b>
<b>b</b> A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV		<b>X</b>
<b>c</b> 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		<b>X</b>
<b>29</b> Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M		<b>X</b>
<b>30</b> Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M		<b>X</b>
<b>31</b> Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I		<b>X</b>
<b>32</b> Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II		<b>X</b>
<b>33</b> 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		<b>X</b>
<b>34</b> Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Parts II, III, IV, and V, line 1	<b>X</b>	
<b>35a</b> Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?		<b>X</b>
<b>b</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		<b>X</b>
<b>36</b> <b>Section 501(c)(3) organizations.</b> Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2	<b>X</b>	
<b>37</b> 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		<b>X</b>
<b>38</b> Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11 and 19? <b>Note.</b> All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O	<b>X</b>	

**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
1a	Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096. Enter -0- if not applicable. <b>0</b>		
1b	Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable. <b>0</b>		
1c	Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?	<b>X</b>	
2a	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. <b>0</b>		
2b	If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns? <b>Note.</b> If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file (see instructions)		
3a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?		<b>X</b>
3b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O		
4a	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority over, a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?		<b>X</b>
4b	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country <b>▶</b> See instructions for filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts		
5a	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?		<b>X</b>
5b	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?		<b>X</b>
5c	If "Yes" to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?		
6a	Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than \$100,000, and did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible?		<b>X</b>
6b	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?		
<b>7 Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).</b>			
7a	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?		<b>X</b>
7b	If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?		
7c	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?		<b>X</b>
7d	If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year		
7e	Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?		<b>X</b>
7f	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?		<b>X</b>
7g	If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?		
7h	If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?		
8	<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?		<b>X</b>
<b>9 Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.</b>			
9a	Did the organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?		
9b	Did the organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?		
<b>10 Section 501(c)(7) organizations.</b> Enter:			
10a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12		
10b	Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities		
<b>11 Section 501(c)(12) organizations.</b> Enter:			
11a	Gross income from members or shareholders		
11b	Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.)		
12a	<b>Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts.</b> Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?		
12b	If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year		
<b>13 Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.</b>			
13a	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		
13b	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		
13c	Enter the amount of reserves on hand		
14a	Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?		<b>X</b>
14b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O		

**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**

		Yes	No
<b>1a</b>	<b>5</b>		
<b>1b</b>	<b>5</b>		
<b>2</b>			<b>X</b>
<b>3</b>			<b>X</b>
<b>4</b>			<b>X</b>
<b>5</b>			<b>X</b>
<b>6</b>			<b>X</b>
<b>7a</b>			<b>X</b>
<b>7b</b>			<b>X</b>
<b>8a</b>		<b>X</b>	
<b>8b</b>		<b>X</b>	
<b>9</b>			<b>X</b>

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

		Yes	No
<b>10a</b>			<b>X</b>
<b>10b</b>			
<b>11a</b>		<b>X</b>	
<b>11b</b>			
<b>12a</b>		<b>X</b>	
<b>12b</b>		<b>X</b>	
<b>12c</b>		<b>X</b>	
<b>13</b>		<b>X</b>	
<b>14</b>		<b>X</b>	
<b>15a</b>			<b>X</b>
<b>15b</b>			<b>X</b>
<b>16a</b>			<b>X</b>
<b>16b</b>			

**Section C. Disclosure**

**17** List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed ► **NONE**

**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.  
 Own website  Another's website  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 ► **VANESSA THORNE** **301 S TRYON ST, STE 1550**  
**CHARLOTTE** **NC 28282-1915 704-332-7177**

**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 organizations 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 trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(1) JOHN SILVIA DIRECTOR	1.00	X					0	0	0	
(2) CATHERINE CONNOR DIRECTOR	1.00	X					0	0	0	
(3) GENE HOOTS DIRECTOR	1.00	X					0	0	0	
(4) BILL STATON DIRECTOR	1.00	X					0	0	0	
(5) JAMES MEENA PRESIDENT	1.00			X			0	127,500	9,730	
(6) C WELLS HALL III SECRETARY	1.00			X			0	0	0	
(7)										
(8)										
(9)										
(10)										
(11)										
(12)										
(13)										
(14)										

**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
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(15)										
(16)										
(17)										
(18)										
(19)										
(20)										
(21)										
(22)										
(23)										
(24)										
(25)										
<b>1b Sub-total</b>								<b>127,500</b>	<b>9,730</b>	
<b>c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A</b>										
<b>d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)</b>								<b>127,500</b>	<b>9,730</b>	

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

	Yes	No
<b>3</b> Did the organization list any former officer, director, or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual		<b>X</b>
<b>4</b> 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		<b>X</b>
<b>5</b> 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		<b>X</b>

**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, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts</b>	<b>1a</b> Federated campaigns	<b>1a</b>					
	<b>b</b> Membership dues	<b>1b</b>					
	<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>	40,097				
	<b>g</b> Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f	\$					
	<b>h Total.</b> Add lines 1a-1f			40,097			
<b>Program Service Revenue</b>	<b>2a</b>	<b>Busn Code</b>					
	<b>b</b>						
	<b>c</b>						
	<b>d</b>						
	<b>e</b>						
	<b>f</b> All other program service revenue						
	<b>g Total.</b> Add lines 2a-2f						
<b>Other Revenue</b>	<b>3</b> Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)		31,160			31,160	
	<b>4</b> Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds						
	<b>5</b> Royalties						
	<b>6a</b> Gross rents	(i) Real	(ii) Personal				
		<b>b</b> Less rental exps					
		<b>c</b> Rental inc 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>b</b> Less cost or other basis & sales exps					
		<b>c</b> Gain or (loss)		-6,472			
		<b>d</b> Net gain or (loss)			-6,472		-6,472
	<b>8a</b> Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ of contributions reported on line 1c) See Part IV, line 18	<b>a</b>					
		<b>b</b> Less direct expenses	<b>b</b>				
		<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from fundraising events					
	<b>9a</b> Gross income from gaming activities See Part IV, line 19	<b>a</b>					
<b>b</b> Less direct expenses		<b>b</b>					
<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from gaming activities							
<b>10a</b> Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	<b>a</b>						
	<b>b</b> Less cost of goods sold	<b>b</b>					
	<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory						
<b>Miscellaneous Revenue</b>	<b>11a</b>	<b>Busn Code</b>					
	<b>b</b>						
	<b>c</b>						
	<b>d</b> All other revenue						
	<b>e Total.</b> Add lines 11a-11d						
<b>12 Total revenue.</b> See instructions			64,785	0	0	24,688	

**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

Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
<b>1</b> Grants and other assistance to governments and organizations in the U S See Part IV, line 21	61,748	61,748		
<b>2</b> Grants and other assistance to individuals in the U S See Part IV, line 22				
<b>3</b> Grants and other assistance to governments, organizations, and individuals outside the U S See Part IV, lines 15 and 16				
<b>4</b> Benefits paid to or for members				
<b>5</b> Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees				
<b>6</b> Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)				
<b>7</b> Other salaries and wages				
<b>8</b> Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)				
<b>9</b> Other employee benefits				
<b>10</b> Payroll taxes				
<b>11</b> Fees for services (non-employees)				
<b>a</b> Management				
<b>b</b> Legal				
<b>c</b> Accounting	6,750		6,750	
<b>d</b> Lobbying				
<b>e</b> Professional fundraising services See Part IV, line 17				
<b>f</b> Investment management fees	3,742		3,742	
<b>g</b> Other				
<b>12</b> Advertising and promotion				
<b>13</b> Office expenses				
<b>14</b> Information technology				
<b>15</b> Royalties				
<b>16</b> Occupancy				
<b>17</b> Travel				
<b>18</b> Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
<b>19</b> Conferences, conventions, and meetings				
<b>20</b> Interest				
<b>21</b> Payments to affiliates				
<b>22</b> Depreciation, depletion, and amortization				
<b>23</b> Insurance				
<b>24</b> 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.)				
<b>a</b> FUNDRAISING EXPENSE	3,127			3,127
<b>b</b>				
<b>c</b>				
<b>d</b>				
<b>e</b> All other expenses				
<b>25</b> Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	75,367	61,748	10,492	3,127
<b>26</b> 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)				

**Part X Balance Sheet**

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
<b>Assets</b>	1 Cash—non-interest bearing	31,779	1	61,074
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments		2	
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net	410,507	3	101,849
	4 Accounts receivable, net	490,929	4	590,453
	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	213,704	7	151,956
	8 Inventories for sale or use		8	
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges		9	
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment cost or other basis Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a		
	b Less accumulated depreciation	10b	10c	
	11 Investments—publicly traded securities	1,186,793	11	1,409,678
	12 Investments—other securities See Part IV, line 11		12	
	13 Investments—program-related See Part IV, line 11		13	
	14 Intangible assets		14	
	15 Other assets See Part IV, line 11		15	
16 <b>Total assets.</b> Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	2,333,712	16	2,315,010	
<b>Liabilities</b>	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses		17	
	18 Grants payable		18	
	19 Deferred revenue		19	
	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		25	
	26 <b>Total liabilities.</b> Add lines 17 through 25	0	26	0
<b>Net Assets or Fund Balances</b>	<b>Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.</b>			
	27 Unrestricted net assets	1,408,898	27	1,434,796
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets	109,526	28	64,926
	29 Permanently restricted net assets	815,288	29	815,288
	<b>Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34.</b>			
	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 <b>Total net assets or fund balances</b>	2,333,712	33	2,315,010	
34 <b>Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances</b>	2,333,712	34	2,315,010	

**Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets**

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

<b>1</b>	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	<b>1</b>	<b>64,785</b>
<b>2</b>	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	<b>2</b>	<b>75,367</b>
<b>3</b>	Revenue less expenses Subtract line 2 from line 1	<b>3</b>	<b>-10,582</b>
<b>4</b>	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	<b>4</b>	<b>2,333,712</b>
<b>5</b>	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	<b>5</b>	<b>-8,120</b>
<b>6</b>	Net assets or fund balances at end of year Combine lines 3, 4, and 5 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	<b>6</b>	<b>2,315,010</b>

**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
<b>2a</b>		<b>X</b>
<b>2b</b>	<b>X</b>	
<b>2c</b>	<b>X</b>	
<b>3a</b>		<b>X</b>
<b>3b</b>		

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

**Public Charity Status and Public Support**

OMB No 1545-0047

**2011**

**Open to Public Inspection**

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

**OPERA CAROLINA ENDOWMENT**

Employer identification number

**20-2533756**

**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?

	Yes	No
11g(i)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
11g(ii)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
11g(iii)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

h Provide the following information about the supported organization(s)

(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) OPERA CAROLINA	56-6019660	7	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		61,748
(B)									
(C)									
(D)									
(E)									
<b>Total</b>									<b>61,748</b>

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Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2011

**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
<b>1</b> Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants")						
<b>2</b> Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
<b>3</b> The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
<b>4 Total.</b> Add lines 1 through 3						
<b>5</b> 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)						
<b>6 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
<b>7</b> Amounts from line 4						
<b>8</b> Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
<b>9</b> Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
<b>10</b> Other income Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV)						
<b>11 Total support.</b> Add lines 7 through 10						

**12** Gross receipts from related activities, etc (see instructions) 12

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

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

<b>14</b> Public support percentage for 2011 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	%
<b>15</b> Public support percentage from 2010 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	%

- 16a 33 1/3% support test—2011.** 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—2010.** If the organization did not check a 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—2011.** 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—2010.** 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 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
<b>1</b> Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants.")						
<b>2</b> 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						
<b>3</b> Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
<b>4</b> Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
<b>5</b> The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
<b>6 Total.</b> Add lines 1 through 5						
<b>7a</b> Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						
<b>b</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						
<b>c</b> Add lines 7a and 7b						
<b>8 Public support</b> (Subtract line 7c from line 6)						

**Section B. Total Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2007	(b) 2008	(c) 2009	(d) 2010	(e) 2011	(f) Total
<b>9</b> Amounts from line 6						
<b>10a</b> Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
<b>b</b> Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						
<b>c</b> Add lines 10a and 10b						
<b>11</b> Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
<b>12</b> Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.)						
<b>13 Total support.</b> (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 section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here

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

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

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

<b>17</b> Investment income percentage for 2011 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	<b>17</b>	%
<b>18</b> Investment income percentage from 2010 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	<b>18</b>	%

**19a 33 1/3% support tests—2011.** 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—2010.** 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

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**Part IV. Supplemental Information.** Complete this part to provide the explanations required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b; and Part III, line 12. Also complete this part for any additional information. (See instructions).

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SCHEDULE D (Form 990)

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Financial Statements

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.

OMB No 1545-0047

2011

Open to Public Inspection

Name of the organization

Employer identification number

OPERA CAROLINA ENDOWMENT

20-2533756

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

Table with 2 columns: (a) Donor advised funds, (b) Funds and other accounts. Rows include: 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...?, 6 Did the organization inform all grantees...?

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

Table with 2 columns: Description, Held at the End of the Tax Year. Rows include: 1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements, 2 Complete lines 2a through 2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution..., 3 Number of conservation easements modified..., 4 Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located..., 5 Does the organization have a written policy..., 6 Staff and volunteer hours..., 7 Amount of expenses..., 8 Does each conservation easement..., 9 In Part XIV, describe how the organization reports...

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.

Table with 2 columns: Description, Amount. Rows include: 1a If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116..., 1b If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116..., 2 If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain...

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

	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	1,186,793	763,050	628,538		
b Contributions	210,000	240,000	54,296		
c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses	26,557	204,311	101,053		
d Grants or scholarships					
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs	9,877	16,812	17,751		
f Administrative expenses	3,741	3,756	3,086		
g End of year balance	1,409,678	1,186,793	763,050		

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

- a Board designated or quasi-endowment  %
  - b Permanent endowment  57.84 %
  - c Temporarily restricted endowment  42.16 %
- 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

	Yes	No
3a(i)		X
3a(ii)		X
3b		

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

**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				
b Buildings				
c Leasehold improvements				
d Equipment				
e Other				

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

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.

1. (a) Description of liability	(b) Book value
(1) Federal income taxes	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
(10)	
(11)	

Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 25 ) ▶

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	64,785
2	Total expenses (Form 990, Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	75,367
3	Excess or (deficit) for the year Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	-10,582
4	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	4	-8,120
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	-8,120
10	Excess or (deficit) for the year per audited financial statements Combine lines 3 and 9	10	-18,702

**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	56,665
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:		
a	Net unrealized gains on investments	2a	-8,120
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	-8,120
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	64,785
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	64,785

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

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	1	75,367
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	75,367
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	75,367

**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 XIV - SUPPLEMENTAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

**SCHEDULE D, PART V, LINE 4 - THE ENDOWMENT INVESTMENTS ARE USED TO MAXIMIZE THE FUNDS AVAILABLE TO OPERA CAROLINA FOR EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND OPERA PRODUCTIONS.**

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**Part XIV** Supplemental Information (continued)

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**SCHEDULE I  
(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**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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Inspection**

Name of the organization

**OPERA CAROLINA ENDOWMENT**

Employer identification number

**20-2533756**

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

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

Yes  No

**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	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section if applicable	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
(1)	OPERA CAROLINA 301 S TRYON ST SUITE 1550 CHARLOTTE NC 28282	56-6019660	3	61,748				SUPPORT OPERA PROGRA
(2)								
(3)								
(4)								
(5)								
(6)								
(7)								
(8)								
(9)								

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

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

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 990.

**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

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

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization

**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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Employer identification number

**20-2533756**

**FORM 990 - ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

**SCHEDULE R PART II COLUMN B - OPERA CAROLINA'S MISSION IS TO INSPIRE AND ENTERTAIN THE REGION'S DIVERSE COMMUNITY THROUGH THE PRESENTATION OF EXCELLENT OPERA, OPERETTA, MUSIC THEATRE AND EDUCATION OUTREACH PROGRAMS THAT ELEVATE THE QUALITY OF LIFE IN THE CAROLINAS.**

**FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 11B - ORGANIZATION'S PROCESS TO REVIEW FORM 990 THE CFO REVIEWS THE 990. THE DOCUMENT IS THEN REVIEWED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS PRIOR TO FILING.**

**FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 12C - ENFORCEMENT OF CONFLICTS POLICY THE ORGANIZATION REQUIRES ANNUAL DISCLOSURE OF ANY CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND REMINDS AND EDUCATES BOARD MEMBERS OF THEIR DUTY TO DISCLOSE ANY CONFLICT OF INTEREST. VENDORS ARE REVIEWED TO INSURE NO KNOWN CONFLICT EXISTS.**

**FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 19 - GOVERNING DOCUMENTS DISCLOSURE EXPLANATION ALL GOVERNING DOCUMENTS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS MAY BE EXAMINED UPON REQUEST AT THE OFFICE LOCATION.**

**FORM 990, PART XI, LINE 5 - OTHER CHANGES IN NET ASSETS EXPLANATION UNREALIZED GAINS AND LOSSES ON INVESTMENTS REPORTED ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AT MARKET VALUE.**

**SCHEDULE R  
(Form 990)**

**Related Organizations and Unrelated Partnerships**

OMB No 1545-0047

**2011**

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▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 33, 34, 35, 36, or 37.

▶ Attach to Form 990. ▶ See separate instructions.

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization

**OPERA CAROLINA ENDOWMENT**

Employer identification number  
**20-2533756**

**Part I Identification of Disregarded Entities (Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 33.)**

	(a) Name, address, and EIN of disregarded entity	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Total income	(e) End-of-year assets	(f) Direct controlling entity
(1)						
(2)						
(3)						
(4)						
(5)						

**Part II Identification of Related Tax-Exempt Organizations (Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related tax-exempt organizations during the tax year.)**

	(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Exempt Code section	(e) Public charity status (if section 501(c)(3))	(f) Direct controlling entity	(g) Section 512(b)(13) controlled entity?	
							Yes	No
(1)	<b>OPERA CAROLINA 301 S TRYON STREET SUITE 1550 CHARLOTTE NC 28282</b>	<b>SEE SCH O</b>	<b>NC</b>	<b>501</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>N/A</b>		<b>X</b>
(2)								
(3)								
(4)								
(5)								

**Part III Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Partnership** (Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related organizations treated as a partnership during the tax year.)

(1)	(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Direct controlling entity	(e) Predominant income (related, unrelated, excluded from tax under sections 512-514)	(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of-year assets	(h) Disproportionate alloc?		(i) Code V-UBI amount in box 20 of Schedule K-1 (Form 1065)	(j) General or managing partner?		(k) Percentage ownership
								Yes	No		Yes	No	
(1)													
(2)													
(3)													
(4)													

**Part IV Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Corporation or Trust** (Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related organizations treated as a corporation or trust during the tax year.)

(1)	(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Direct controlling entity	(e) Type of entity (C corp, S corp, or trust)	(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of-year assets	(h) Percentage ownership
(2)								
(3)								
(4)								

**Part V Transactions With Related Organizations** (Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 34, 35, 35a, or 36.)

Note. Complete line 1 if any entity is listed in Parts II, III, or IV of this schedule

1 During the tax year, did the organization engage in any of the following transactions with one or more related organizations listed in Parts II-IV?

- a Receipt of (i) interest (ii) annuities (iii) royalties or (iv) rent from a controlled entity
- b Gift, grant, or capital contribution to related organization(s)
- c Gift, grant, or capital contribution from related organization(s)
- d Loans or loan guarantees to or for related organization(s)
- e Loans or loan guarantees by related organization(s)

- f Sale of assets to related organization(s)
- g Purchase of assets from related organization(s)
- h Exchange of assets with related organization(s)
- i Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets to related organization(s)
- j Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets from related organization(s)
- k Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations for related organization(s)
- l Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations by related organization(s)
- m Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, or other assets with related organization(s)
- n Sharing of paid employees with related organization(s)

- o Reimbursement paid to related organization(s) for expenses
- p Reimbursement paid by related organization(s) for expenses
- q Other transfer of cash or property to related organization(s)
- r Other transfer of cash or property from related organization(s)

2 If the answer to any of the above is "Yes," see the instructions for information on who must complete this line, including covered relationships and transaction thresholds

	(a) Name of other organization	(b) Transaction type (a-r)	(c) Amount involved	(d) Method of determining amount involved
(1)	OPERA CAROLINA	R	61,748	ACTUAL CASH TRANSFERRED
(2)	OPERA CAROLINA	B	61,748	ACTUAL CASH TRANSFERRED
(3)	OPERA CAROLINA	Q	99,525	ACTUAL CASH TRANSFERRED
(4)	OPERA CAROLINA	N		
(5)	OPERA CAROLINA	M		
(6)				

Part VI Unrelated Organizations Taxable as a Partnership (Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 37.)

Provide the following information for each entity taxed as a partnership through which the organization conducted more than five percent of its activities (measured by total assets or gross revenue) that was not a related organization. See instructions regarding exclusion for certain investment partnerships.

(1)	(a) Name, address, and EIN of entity	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Predominant income (related, unrelated, excluded from tax under section 512-514)	(e) Are all partners section 501(c)(3) organizations?		(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of-year assets	(h) Disproportionate allocations?		(i) Code V-UBI amount in box 20 of Schedule K-1 (Form 1065)	(j) General or managing partner?		(k) Percentage ownership
					Yes	No			Yes	No		Yes	No	
(1)														
(2)														
(3)														
(4)														
(5)														
(6)														
(7)														
(8)														
(9)														
(10)														
(11)														

**Part VII Supplemental Information**

Complete this part to provide additional information for responses to questions on Schedule R (see instructions).

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Forms <b>990 / 990-PF</b>	<b>Other Notes and Loans Receivable</b>	<b>2011</b>
For calendar year 2011, or tax year beginning <b>07/01/11</b> , and ending <b>06/30/12</b>		

Name <b>OPERA CAROLINA ENDOWMENT</b>	Employer Identification Number <b>20-2533756</b>
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**FORM 990, PART X, LINE 7 - ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Name of borrower	Relationship to disqualified person
(1) <b>OPERA CAROLINA</b>	<b>NONE</b>
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
(10)	

Original amount borrowed	Date of loan	Maturity date	Repayment terms	Interest rate
(1) <b>125,000</b>	<b>04/20/06</b>	<b>09/07/06</b>	<b>DUE ON DEMAND</b>	<b>1.650</b>
(2)				
(3)				
(4)				
(5)				
(6)				
(7)				
(8)				
(9)				
(10)				

Security provided by borrower	Purpose of loan
(1) <b>NONE</b>	<b>PROVIDE ADDITIONAL WORKING CAPITAL</b>
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
(10)	

Consideration furnished by lender	Balance due at beginning of year	Balance due at end of year	Fair market value (990-PF only)
(1) <b>LOAN PROCEEDS</b>	<b>213,704</b>	<b>151,956</b>	
(2)			
(3)			
(4)			
(5)			
(6)			
(7)			
(8)			
(9)			
(10)			
<b>Totals</b>	<b>213,704</b>	<b>151,956</b>	