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Short Form

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

OMB No 1545-1150

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)

2013

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▶ Information about Form 990-EZ and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

A For the 2013 calendar year, or tax year beginning January 1, 2013, and ending December 31, 2013

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

C Name of organization: **Chicago Latvian Association Inc**
 Number and street (or P O box, if mail is not delivered to street address): **4146 N Elston Ave**
 Room/suite: _____
 City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code: **Chicago IL 60618-1828**

D Employer identification number: **36-2372504**

E Telephone number: **773-588-2085**

F Group Exemption Number: **N/A**

G Accounting Method: Cash Accrual Other (specify) ▶ _____

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

I Website: ▶ **chicagolatvianassociation.com**

J Tax-exempt status (check only one) - 501(c)(3) 501(c) (4) ◀ (insert no.) 4947(a)(1) or 527

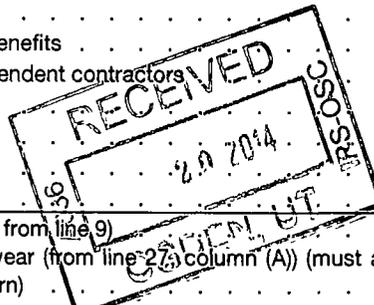
K Form of organization: Corporation Trust Association Other

L Add lines 5b, 6c, and 7b, to line 9 to determine gross receipts. If gross receipts are \$200,000 or more, or if total assets (Part II, column (B) below) are \$500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ ▶ \$ **95642**

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

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part I

		Revenue		Expenses		Net Assets	
1	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	1	4528	10	Grants and similar amounts paid (list in Schedule O)	10	300
2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	2		11	Benefits paid to or for members	11	0
3	Membership dues and assessments	3	2350	12	Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits	12	24135
4	Investment income	4	73457	13	Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors	13	0
5a	Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	5a	0	14	Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance	14	14331
b	Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses	5b	0	15	Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	15	364
c	Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a)	5c	0	16	Other expenses (describe in Schedule O)	16	56672
6	Gaming and fundraising events			17	Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16 ▶	17	95802
a	Gross income from gaming (attach Schedule G if greater than \$15,000)	6a	0	18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)	18	(160)
b	Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions from fundraising events reported on line 1) (attach Schedule G if the sum of such gross income and contributions exceeds \$15,000)	6b	0	19	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 20, column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	19	116134
c	Less: direct expenses from gaming and fundraising events	6c	0	20	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	20	
d	Net income or (loss) from gaming and fundraising events (add lines 6a and 6b and subtract line 6c)	6d	0	21	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20 ▶	21	115974
7a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	7a	0				
b	Less: cost of goods sold	7b	0				
c	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)	7c	0				
8	Other revenue (describe in Schedule O)	8	15307				
9	Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6d, 7c, and 8 ▶	9	95642				



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Part II Balance Sheets (see the instructions for Part II)
 Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part II

	(A) Beginning of year	(B) End of year
22 Cash, savings, and investments	42339	22 42177
23 Land and buildings	73859	23 73859
24 Other assets (describe in Schedule O)	0	24 0
25 Total assets	116198	25 116036
26 Total liabilities (describe in Schedule O)	214	26 0
27 Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	116134	27 116036

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments (see the instructions for Part III)
 Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part III

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose? _____

Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. In a clear and concise manner, describe the services provided, the number of persons benefited, and other relevant information for each program title.

		Expenses (Required for section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) trusts, optional for others)
28 Events held to promote Latvian culture & education, served approximately 500 people. Held 13 events including lectures, films, traditional craft instruction, craft fair, concerts, plays, grammar instruction. (Grants \$ _____) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	28a	31487
29 Cultural center serves neighborhood groups for gatherings, hosts international dance, Latvian folk dance groups. Ongoing weekly activity and single events serving about 250 people on a regular basis. (Grants \$ _____) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	29a	33637
30 Houses and supports the Latvian language library and Latvian Folk Art Museum which serves about 500 (Grants \$ _____) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	30a	6083
31 Other program services (describe in Schedule O) (Grants \$ _____) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	31a	
32 Total program service expenses (add lines 28a through 31a)	32	71207

Part IV List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees (list each one even if not compensated—see the instructions for Part IV)
 Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part IV

(a) Name and title	(b) Average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC) (if not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation	(e) Estimated amount of other compensation
Armand Birkens Director & President	4 hours	0	0	0
Dace Kezbers Director & Vice President	8 hours	0	0	0
Mara Jauntirans Director & Secretary	6 hours	0	0	0
Marite Plume Director & Treasurer	8 hours	0	0	0
Mara Kins Director	2 hours	0	0	0
Daina Jauntirans Director	8 hours	0	0	0
Dana Saltans Director	6 hours	0	0	0
Ruta Priedkalns Zirnis Director	2 hours	0	0	0
Reinis Kalnajs Director	16 hours	0	0	0
Inara Bundza Director	8 hours	0	0	0
John Vilcins Director	2 hours	0	0	0
Aivars Osis Director	1 hour	0	0	0

Part V Other Information (Note the Schedule A and personal benefit contract statement requirements in the instructions for Part V) Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part V

		Yes	No
33	Did the organization engage in any significant activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," provide a detailed description of each activity in Schedule O		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
34	Were any significant changes made to the organizing or governing documents? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the amended documents if they reflect a change to the organization's name. Otherwise, explain the change on Schedule O (see instructions)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
35a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year from business activities (such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a, among others)?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b	If "Yes," to line 35a, has the organization filed a Form 990-T for the year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
35b			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
c	Was the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization subject to section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements during the year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
35c			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
36	Did the organization undergo a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or significant disposition of net assets during the year? If "Yes," complete applicable parts of Schedule N		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
37a	Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions ▶ 37a _____		
b	Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
37b			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
38a	Did the organization borrow from, or make any loans to, any officer, director, trustee, or key employee or were any such loans made in a prior year and still outstanding at the end of the tax year covered by this return?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b	If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved	38b _____	
39	Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:		
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9	39a _____	
b	Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities	39b _____	
40a	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under: section 4911 ▶ _____ ; section 4912 ▶ _____ ; section 4955 ▶ _____		
b	Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year, or did it engage in an excess benefit transaction in a prior year that has not been reported on any of its prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
40b			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
c	Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958 ▶ _____		
d	Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization ▶ _____		
e	All organizations. At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If "Yes," complete Form 8886-T		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
40e			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
41	List the states with which a copy of this return is filed ▶ <u>Illinois</u>		
42a	The organization's books are in care of ▶ <u>Marite Plume</u> Telephone no. ▶ <u>224-250-5595</u> Located at ▶ <u>4146 N Elston Ave, Chicago IL</u> ZIP + 4 ▶ <u>60618-3114</u>		
b	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: ▶ _____ See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts .		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
42b			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
c	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside the U.S.? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: ▶ _____		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
42c			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
43	Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of Form 1041 —Check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/> and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year ▶ 43 _____		
44a	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b	Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
44b			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
c	Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the year?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
44c			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
d	If "Yes" to line 44c, has the organization filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
44d			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
45a	Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
45a			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
45b	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," Form 990 and Schedule R may need to be completed instead of Form 990-EZ (see instructions)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
45b			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Yes No

46 Did the organization engage, directly or indirectly, in political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I

46 Yes No [X]

Part VI Section 501(c)(3) organizations only

All section 501(c)(3) organizations must answer questions 47-49b and 52, and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51.

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part VI []

47 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

47 Yes No

48 Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E

48 Yes No

49a Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?

49a Yes No

b If "Yes," was the related organization a section 527 organization?

49b Yes No

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

Table with 5 columns: (a) Name and title of each employee, (b) Average hours per week devoted to position, (c) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC), (d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation, (e) Estimated amount of other compensation.

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

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

Table with 3 columns: (a) Name and business address of each independent contractor, (b) Type of service, (c) Compensation.

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

52 Did the organization complete Schedule A? Note. All section 501(c)(3) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must attach a completed Schedule A

Yes No [X]

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

Sign Here Signature of officer: Marite Plume, Treasurer Date: 4-17-14

Paid Preparer Use Only Print/Type preparer's name, Preparer's signature, Date, Check [] 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

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

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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.

▶ Information about Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

OMB No 1545-0047

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Name of the organization

Chicago Latvian Association Inc

Employer identification number

36-2372504

Statement 1 Form EZ, Part 1, Line 8, Other Revenue

Fundraisers § 15,157

Other Income § 150

Statement 2 Form 990 EZ, Part 1, Line 16

Support Cultural Events § 13,046

Furniture and Equipment § 429

Insurance § 5639

Library § 477

Maintenance & Repair § 31,101

Miscellaneous § 22

Office expense § 2357

Public Relations § 935

Regulatory & Related § 825

TOTAL § 54,831