



See a Social Security Number? Say Something!
Report Privacy Problems to <https://public.resource.org/privacy>
Or call the IRS Identity Theft Hotline at 1-800-908-4490



Short Form

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

2015

Open to Public Inspection

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

▶ Do not enter social security numbers on this form as it may be made public.

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

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

A For the 2015 calendar year, or tax year beginning January 1, 2015, and ending December 31, 20 15

B Check if applicable:
 Address change
 Name change
 Initial return
 Final return/terminated
 Amended return
 Application pending

C Name of organization: Palisades Symphony Orchestra
 Number and street (or P.O. box, if mail is not delivered to street address) PO Box 214 Room/suite _____
 City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code Pacific Palisades, CA 90272

D Employer identification number: 23-7092760

E Telephone number: 323-851-1794

F Group Exemption Number: ▶ _____

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: ▶ palisadessymphony.org

J Tax-exempt status (check only one) — 501(c)(3) 501(c) () ◀ (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. ▶ \$ 29776.9

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		18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)
2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	2		19	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)
3	Membership dues and assessments	3		20	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)
4	Investment income	4		21	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20
5a	Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	5a			
5b	Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses	5b			
5c	Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a)	5c			
6a	Gross income from gaming (attach Schedule G if greater than \$15,000)	6a			
6b	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			
6c	Less: direct expenses from gaming and fundraising events	6c			
6d	Net income or (loss) from gaming and fundraising events (add lines 6a and 6b and subtract line 6c)	6d			
7a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	7a			
7b	Less: cost of goods sold	7b			
7c	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)	7c			
8	Other revenue (describe in Schedule O)	8			
9	Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6d, 7c, and 8	9			
10	Grants and similar amounts paid (list in Schedule O)	10			
11	Benefits paid to or for members	11			
12	Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits	12			
13	Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors	13			
14	Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance	14			
15	Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	15			
16	Other expenses (describe in Schedule O)	16			
17	Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16	17			
18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)	18			
19	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	19			
20	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	20			
21	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20	21			

SCANNED JUN 23 2016

PREPARED BY
 LO MINTO
 561-231-1111

95

3

Part II Balance Sheets (see the instructions for Part II)		(A) Beginning of year	(B) End of year
Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part II <input type="checkbox"/>			
22	Cash, savings, and investments	59893	22 62848
23	Land and buildings		23
24	Other assets (describe in Schedule O)		24
25	Total assets	59893	25 62848
26	Total liabilities (describe in Schedule O)		26
27	Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	59893	27 62848

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments (see the instructions for Part III)		Expenses	
Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part III <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		(Required for section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations; optional for others.)	
What is the organization's primary exempt purpose? <u>Educate and Provide music to the community</u>			
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.			
28	2 choral concerts per season, 120 performers, 300 in audience, produced with Brentwood-Palisades chorale at local church		
	(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	28a	11199
29	Concert version of Opera, 60 performers, 250 in audience		
	(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	29a	2866
30	Young Artist/alfred Newman Awards, provides 5 students from elementary to high school an opportunity to perform in concert		
	(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	30a	3721
31	Other program services (describe in Schedule O)		
	(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	31a	5693
32	Total program service expenses (add lines 28a through 31a)	32	23479

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 <input type="checkbox"/>				
(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
Eva Holberg - President	5 hr per week	-0-	-0-	-0-
1081 Palisair Pl Pac Pal, CA 90272				
Sigrid Hofer - VP fundraiser	2 hr/week	-0-	-0-	-0-
1026 Fiske St Pac Pal CA 90272				
Melissa Leicester - Treasurer	1 hr/week	-0-	-0-	-0-
1207 N Poinsettia Place West Hollywood CA 90046				
Joel Busch - Secretary	1 hr/mo	-0-	-0-	-0-
1035 Fiske St Pac Pal CA 90272				
Joel Lish - Conductor	10 hr/week	7700	-0-	-0-
18244 Jovan St Reseda CA 91335				
Cathy Conn - Refreshments Chair	2 hr/mo	-0-	-0-	-0-
1478 Paseo de Oro Pac Pal CA 90272				
Oliver Karp - Personnel	2 hr/week	-0-	-0-	-0-
Los Angeles, CA				

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

Table with columns for question number, question text, and Yes/No checkboxes. Includes questions 33 through 45b regarding organizational activities, financials, and compliance.

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

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."

(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
none				

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

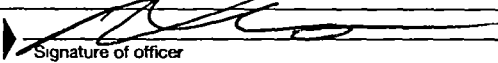
51 Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated independent contractors who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None."

(a) Name and business address of each independent contractor	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
none		

d Total number of other independent contractors each receiving over \$100,000 ▶ 0

52 Did the organization complete Schedule A? **Note:** All section 501(c)(3) organizations must attach a completed Schedule A ▶ Yes No

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  Date 5/17/16
 Signature of officer
Melissa Leicester - Treasurer
 Type or print name and title

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