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Form 990  Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service	Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax 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 and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990	OMB No 1545-0047 2015 Open to Public Inspection
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A For the 2015 calendar year, or tax year beginning 07-01-2015 , and ending 06-30-2016			
B Check if applicable <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Final return/terminated <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	C Name of organization ARTS MIDWEST INC		D Employer identification number 41-1000424
	% JOE KEEGAN		E Telephone number (612) 341-0755
	Doing business as		
	Number and street (or P O box if mail is not delivered to street address)		Room/suite
	2908 HENNEPIN AVENUE Suite 200		
	City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55408		G Gross receipts \$ 6,024,742
	F Name and address of principal officer DAVID J FRAHER 2908 HENNEPIN AVENUE STE 200 MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55408		H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
I 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		H(b) Are all subordinates included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If "No," attach a list (see instructions)
J Website: ▶	WWW.ARTSMIDWEST.ORG		H(c) Group exemption number ▶
K Form of organization	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Association <input type="checkbox"/> Other ▶		L Year of formation 1973
			M State of legal domicile MN

Part I Summary	
Activities & Governance	1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities TO PROMOTE CREATIVITY, NURTURE CULTURAL LEADERSHIP & ENGAGE PEOPLE IN MEANINGFUL ARTS EXPERIENCES
	2 Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets
	3 Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a) 3 23
	4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b) 4 22
	5 Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2015 (Part V, line 2a) 5 23
	6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary) 6 53
	7a Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12 7a 0 b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34 7b
Revenue	8 Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h) Prior Year Current Year 5,496,231 4,940,111 9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g) 1,146,501 1,065,944 10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d) 1,086 699 11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e) 18,263 17,980 12 Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12) 6,662,081 6,024,744
	13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1–3) 2,402,557 2,408,880 14 Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4) 0 0 15 Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5–10) 1,581,180 1,653,820 16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e) 0 0 b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) <u>186,414</u> 17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a–11d, 11f–24e) 2,669,679 2,523,560 18 Total expenses Add lines 13–17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25) 6,653,416 6,586,270 19 Revenue less expenses Subtract line 18 from line 12 8,665 -561,530
	20 Total assets (Part X, line 16) Beginning of Current Year End of Year 5,962,484 5,268,011 21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26) 3,061,370 2,928,170 22 Net assets or fund balances Subtract line 21 from line 20 2,901,114 2,339,841

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						
Sign Here	*****					2016-11-05
	Signature of officer					Date
	DAVID J FRAHER PRESIDENT & CEO					
Type or print name and title						
Paid Preparer Use Only	Print/Type preparer's name WENDY HARDEN CPA		Preparer's signature WENDY HARDEN CPA		Date 2016-11-04	Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed PTIN P00956490
	Firm's name ▶ SCHECHTER DOKKEN KANTER CPAs					Firm's EIN ▶
	Firm's address ▶ 100 WASHINGTON AVE SO 1600					Phone no (612) 332-5500
	MINNEAPOLIS, MN 554012192					

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III ☒

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission
Arts Midwest promotes creativity, nurtures cultural leadership, and engages people in meaningful arts experiences, bringing vitality to Midwest communities and enriching peoples lives (See continuation on Schedule O)

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 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 \$ 3,394,220 including grants of \$ 1,373,787) (Revenue \$ 580,125)
PERFORMING ARTS Arts Midwest manages seven programs which connect high-quality performing artists to audiences in the Midwest and nationally Arts Midwest Touring Fund supports professional performing artists touring in our nine states Arts Midwest World Fest presents international musical ensembles in week-long residencies in smaller Midwest communities, while Caravanserai provides artistic expressions and cultures of Muslim societies to Americans through performing and media-arts residencies Midwest Conference convenes performing artists, artist managers, and presenters engaged in connecting the performing arts to audiences across the central U S (See continuation on Schedule O)

4b (Code) (Expenses \$ 1,374,606 including grants of \$ 1,012,700) (Revenue \$ 331,438)
LITERARY ARTS Arts Midwest manages NEA Big Read on behalf of the National Endowment for the Arts NEA Big Read is a program which broadens our understanding of our world, our communities, and ourselves through the joy of sharing a good book NEA Big Read supports organizations across the country in developing community-wide reading programs which encourage reading and participation by diverse audiences Organizations selected to participate in NEA Big Read receive a grant, access to online training resources and opportunities, and educational and promotional materials designed to support widespread community involvement (See continuation on Schedule O)

4c (Code) (Expenses \$ 1,049,269 including grants of \$ 22,400) (Revenue \$)
LEARNING INITIATIVES ArtsLab strengthens the impact of arts organizations in urban and rural communities through leadership and strategy development ArtsLab is designed to provide intensive professional development training, mentorship, and technical assistance to cultural leaders in the Upper Midwest through peer learning communities typically ranging from six month to two year duration The program is predominantly focused on strengthening nonprofit arts organizations in Minnesota and its neighboring states of North Dakota, South Dakota, Iowa and Wisconsin (See continuation on Schedule O)
See Additional Data

4d Other program services (Describe in Schedule O)
(Expenses \$ 149,529 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$ 154,381)

4e Total program service expenses ► 5,967,624

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

	Yes	No
1 Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? If "Yes," complete Schedule A	1 Yes	
2 Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors (see instructions)?	2 Yes	
3 Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I	3	No
4 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization engage in lobbying activities, or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II	4	No
5 Is the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization that receives membership dues, assessments, or similar amounts as defined in Revenue Procedure 98-19? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III	5	No
6 Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts for which donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I	6	No
7 Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II	7	No
8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III	8	No
9 Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21 for escrow or custodial account liability, serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X, or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV	9	No
10 Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in temporarily restricted endowments, permanent endowments, or quasi-endowments? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V	10	No
11 If the organization's answer to any of the following questions is "Yes," then complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable		
a Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI	11a Yes	
b Did the organization report an amount for investments—other securities in Part X, line 12 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII	11b	No
c Did the organization report an amount for investments—program related in Part X, line 13 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII	11c	No
d Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX	11d	No
e Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X	11e	No
f Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740)? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X	11f Yes	
12a Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII	12a Yes	
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 and XII is optional	12b	No
13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E	13	No
14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?	14a	No
b Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, investment, and program service activities outside the United States, or aggregate foreign investments valued at \$100,000 or more? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV	14b Yes	
15 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for any foreign organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV	15	No
16 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or other assistance to or for foreign individuals? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV	16	No
17 Did the organization report a total of more than \$15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I (see instructions)	17	No
18 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II	18	No
19 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III	19	No
20a Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? If "Yes," complete Schedule H	20a	No
b If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?	20b	

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

21	Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to any domestic organization or domestic government on Part IX, column (A), line 1? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II</i>	21	Yes	
22	Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for domestic individuals on Part IX, column (A), line 2? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III</i>	22		No
23	Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5 about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J</i>	23	Yes	
24a	Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? <i>If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25a</i>	24a		No
b	Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?	24b		
c	Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?	24c		
d	Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?	24d		
25a	Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>	25a		No
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>	25b		No
26	Did the organization report any amount on Part X, line 5, 6, or 22 for receivables from or payables to any current or former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, or disqualified persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II</i>	26		No
27	Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III</i>	27		No
28	Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties (see Schedule L, Part IV instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions)			
a	A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>	28a		No
b	A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>	28b		No
c	An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee (or a family member thereof) was an officer, director, trustee, or direct or indirect owner? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>	28c		No
29	Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>	29		No
30	Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>	30		No
31	Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I</i>	31		No
32	Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II</i>	32		No
33	Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I</i>	33		No
34	Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part II, III, or IV, and Part V, line 1</i>	34		No
35a	Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	35a		No
b	If "Yes" to line 35a, did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>	35b		
36	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>	36		No
37	Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI</i>	37		No
38	Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11b and 19? Note. All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O	38	Yes	

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part V ☐

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Part VI

Governance, Management, and Disclosure

For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to lines 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O. See instructions.

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VI

Section A. Governing Body and Management

			Yes	No
1a	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year	1a	23	
	If there are material differences in voting rights among members of the governing body, or if the governing body delegated broad authority to an executive committee or similar committee, explain in Schedule O			
b	Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent	1b	22	
2	Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee?	2		No
3	Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?	3	Yes	
4	Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?	4		No
5	Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?	5		No
6	Did the organization have members or stockholders?	6	Yes	
7a	Did the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who had the power to elect or appoint one or more members of the governing body?	7a		No
b	Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body?	7b		No
8	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following			
a	The governing body?	8a	Yes	
b	Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	8b	Yes	
9	Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses in Schedule O	9		No

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

			Yes	No
10a	Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?	10a		No
b	If "Yes," did the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with the organization's exempt purposes?	10b		
11a	Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?	11a	Yes	
b	Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990			
12a	Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13	12a	Yes	
b	Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	12b	Yes	
c	Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this was done	12c	Yes	
13	Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	13	Yes	
14	Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	14	Yes	
15	Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision?			
a	The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official	15a	Yes	
b	Other officers or key employees of the organization	15b		No
	If "Yes" to line 15a or 15b, describe the process in Schedule O (see instructions)			
16a	Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year?	16a		No
b	If "Yes," did the organization follow a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and take steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements?	16b		

Section C. Disclosure

17	List the States with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed	CA , IL , IN , IA , MA , MI , MN , NY , ND , OH , OR , PA , SD , WI
18	Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Form 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply. <input type="checkbox"/> Own website <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Another's website <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Upon request <input type="checkbox"/> Other (explain in Schedule O)	
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, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records	JOE KEEGAN 2908 HENNEPIN AVENUE SUITE 200 MINNEAPOLIS, MN 554081954 (612) 341-0755

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

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line 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, or highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's former directors or trustees that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

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

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

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(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) PETER CAPELL CHAIR	10 00	X		X				0	0	0
(2) SANDI CLARK VICE CHAIR	10 00	X		X				0	0	0
(3) RHODA PIERCE TREASURER	10 00	X		X				0	0	0
(4) SYLVIA C KAUFMAN SECRETARY	10 00	X		X				0	0	0
(5) MATTHEW HARRIS MEMBER AT-LARGE	10 00	X		X				0	0	0
(6) FLAVIA BASTOS DIRECTOR	10 00	X						0	0	0
(7) BRIAN J BONDE DIRECTOR	10 00	X						0	0	0
(8) GILBERTO CARDENAS DIRECTOR	10 00	X						0	0	0
(9) LOANN CRANE DIRECTOR	10 00	X						0	0	0
(10) KEN FISCHER DIRECTOR	10 00	X						0	0	0
(11) CYNDI PEDERSON DIRECTOR	10 00	X						0	0	0
(12) MARY PICKARD DIRECTOR	10 00	X						0	0	0
(13) KYMM BARTLETT MARTINEZ DIRECTOR	10 00	X						0	0	0
(14) ASHWINI RAMASWAMY DIRECTOR	10 00	X						0	0	0

Part VII

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

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(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) JANE RASMUSSEN DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
(16) OMARI RUSH DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
(17) BRIAN TIEMANN DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
(18) MICHAEL VINSON DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
(19) GREGORY VOLAN DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
(20) SARA VANCE WADDELL DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
(21) MATTHEW WALLACE DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
(22) JAN WEBB DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
(23) BRUCE BERNBERG PAST TREASURER	1 0 0 0	X		X				0	0	0
(24) DAVID J FRAHER PRESIDENT & CEO	50 0 0 0	X		X				188,617	0	24,127
(25) SUSAN CHANDLER VICE PRESIDENT	40 0 0 0					X		128,573	0	18,938
1b Sub-Total										
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A										
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)						317,190		0		43,065
2	Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization ► 2									

		Yes	No
3	Did the organization list any former officer, director or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>		No
4	For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>	Yes	
5	Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person</i>		No

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

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VIII

				(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512-514
Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts	1a	Federated campaigns . . .	1a				
	b	Membership dues	1b				
	c	Fundraising events	1c				
	d	Related organizations . . .	1d				
	e	Government grants (contributions)	1e	4,171,977			
	f	All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f	768,136			
	g	Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f \$					
	h	Total. Add lines 1a-1f			4,940,113		
Program Service Revenue	2a	ARTS MIDWEST CONFERENCE	Business Code				
			711300	580,125	580,125		
	b	STATE ARTS AGENCY DUES	900099	331,438			331,438
	c	STATE SPECIAL PROJECTS	711130	154,381	154,381		
	d						
	e						
	f	All other program service revenue					
	g	Total. Add lines 2a-2f			1,065,944		
Other Revenue	3	Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)		699			699
	4	Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds . .		0			
	5	Royalties		0			
	6a	(i) Real					
		(ii) Personal					
	b	Less rental expenses					
	c	Rental income or (loss)		0	0		
	d	Net rental income or (loss)		0			
	7a	(i) Securities					
		(ii) Other					
	b	Less cost or other basis and sales expenses					
	c	Gain or (loss)					
	d	Net gain or (loss)		0			
	8a	Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c) See Part IV, line 18 . . .					
		a					
		b					
	b	Less direct expenses					
	c	Net income or (loss) from fundraising events . .		0			
	9a	Gross income from gaming activities See Part IV, line 19					
		a					
		b					
	b	Less direct expenses					
	c	Net income or (loss) from gaming activities . . .		0			
	10a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances . .					
a							
b							
b							
b	Less cost of goods sold						
c	Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory . .		0				
Miscellaneous Revenue		Business Code					
11a	MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE		900099	17,986			17,986
b							
c							
d	All other revenue						
e	Total. Add lines 11a-11d			17,986			
12	Total revenue. See Instructions			6,024,742	734,506		350,123

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)

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line 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
1	Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21	2,408,887	2,408,887		
2	Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22	0			
3	Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16	0			
4	Benefits paid to or for members	0			
5	Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	199,302	84,824	100,439	14,039
6	Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)	0			
7	Other salaries and wages	1,162,233	798,671	258,012	105,550
8	Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)	64,911	38,404	21,186	5,321
9	Other employee benefits	136,911	79,787	45,985	11,139
10	Payroll taxes	90,464	59,058	22,548	8,858
11	Fees for services (non-employees)				
a	Management	0			
b	Legal	4,125	2,887	1,238	
c	Accounting	69,752		69,752	
d	Lobbying	0			
e	Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17	0			
f	Investment management fees	0			
g	Other (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O)	1,105,560	1,010,385	78,656	16,519
12	Advertising and promotion	43,133	43,133		
13	Office expenses	117,864	66,701	47,637	3,526
14	Information technology	60,068	29,392	30,676	
15	Royalties	0			
16	Occupancy	149,535		149,535	
17	Travel	552,645	429,320	120,343	2,982
18	Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials	0			
19	Conferences, conventions, and meetings	286,904	262,448	23,566	890
20	Interest	0			
21	Payments to affiliates	0			
22	Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	35,007		35,007	
23	Insurance	19,247		19,247	
24	Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O)				
a	COST ALLOCATION - OVERHEAD/IND	0	612,254	-629,201	16,947
b	PROGRAM EVALUATION	32,650	19,227	13,121	302
c	PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	21,444	12,628	8,618	198
d	EDUCATION MATERIALS	3,452	3,452		
e	All other expenses	22,181	6,166	15,872	143
25	Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	6,586,275	5,967,624	432,237	186,414
26	Joint costs. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)				

Part X

Balance Sheet

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part X

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				(A)		(B)
				Beginning of year		End of year
Assets	1	Cash—non-interest-bearing		0	1	0
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments		2,496,873	2	2,126,868
	3	Pledges and grants receivable, net		3,222,020	3	2,870,068
	4	Accounts receivable, net		44,174	4	22,439
	5	Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees. Complete Part II of Schedule L		0	5	0
	6	Loans and other 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). Complete Part II of Schedule L		0	6	0
	7	Notes and loans receivable, net		0	7	0
	8	Inventories for sale or use		0	8	0
	9	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges		112,022	9	65,529
	10a	Land, buildings, and equipment—cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a404,306			
	b	Less: accumulated depreciation	10b343,648	87,395	10c	60,658
	11	Investments—publicly traded securities		0	11	88,929
	12	Investments—other securities. See Part IV, line 11		0	12	0
	13	Investments—program-related. See Part IV, line 11		0	13	0
	14	Intangible assets		0	14	0
	15	Other assets. See Part IV, line 11		0	15	33,524
	16	Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)		5,962,484	16	5,268,015
Liabilities	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses		334,193	17	333,896
	18	Grants payable		2,349,151	18	2,219,407
	19	Deferred revenue		378,026	19	374,872
	20	Tax-exempt bond liabilities		0	20	0
	21	Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D		0	21	0
	22	Loans and other payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons. Complete Part II of Schedule L		0	22	0
	23	Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties		0	23	0
	24	Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties		0	24	0
	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		0	25	0
	26	Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25		3,061,370	26	2,928,175
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.					
	27	Unrestricted net assets		1,902,595	27	1,922,385
	28	Temporarily restricted net assets		998,519	28	417,455
	29	Permanently restricted net assets		0	29	0
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34.					
	30	Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds			30	
	31	Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building or equipment fund			31	
	32	Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds			32	
	33	Total net assets or fund balances		2,901,114	33	2,339,840
	34	Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances		5,962,484	34	5,268,015

Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XI ☐

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	6,024,742
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	6,586,275
3	Revenue less expenses Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	-561,533
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	2,901,114
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	259
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	
7	Investment expenses	7	
8	Prior period adjustments	8	
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	9	
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	10	2,339,840

Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XII ☐

	Yes	No
1 Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990 <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> 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? If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both <input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis		No
b Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant? If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis	Yes	
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	Yes	
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?	Yes	
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	

Additional Data

Software ID:
Software Version:
EIN: 41-1000424
Name: ARTS MIDWEST INC

Form 990, Part III - 4 Program Service Accomplishments (See the Instructions)

(Code) (Expenses \$ 107,536 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$ 154,381)
VISUAL ARTS - SEE SCHEDULE O
(Code) (Expenses \$ 41,993 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)
REGIONAL ACTIVITIES

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990EZ)

Public Charity Status and Public Support

OMB No 1545-0047

2015

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

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization ARTS MIDWEST INC	Employer identification number 41-1000424
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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)

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A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i).**
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A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii).**(Attach Schedule E (Form 990 or 990-EZ))
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A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).**
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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 _____
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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)
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A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(v).**
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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)
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A community trust described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)** (Complete Part II)
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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)
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An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety See **section 509(a)(4).**
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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 in lines 11a through 11d that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 11e, 11f, and 11g
- a

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Type I. A supporting organization operated, supervised, or controlled by its supported organization(s), typically by giving the supported organization(s) the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the directors or trustees of the supporting organization **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and B.**
- b

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Type II. A supporting organization supervised or controlled in connection with its supported organization(s), by having control or management of the supporting organization vested in the same persons that control or manage the supported organization(s) **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and C.**
- c

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Type III functionally integrated. A supporting organization operated in connection with, and functionally integrated with, its supported organization(s) (see instructions) **You must complete Part IV, Sections A, D, and E.**
- d

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Type III non-functionally integrated. A supporting organization operated in connection with its supported organization(s) that is not functionally integrated The organization generally must satisfy a distribution requirement and an attentiveness requirement (see instructions) **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and D, and Part V.**
- e

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Check this box if the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, Type III functionally integrated, or Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organization
- f

Enter the number of supported organizations
- g

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 (see instructions))	(iv) Is the organization listed in your governing document?		(v) Amount of monetary support (see instructions)	(vi) Amount of other support (see instructions)
			Yes	No		
Total						

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)2011	(b)2012	(c)2013	(d)2014	(e)2015	(f)Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any unusual grants)	7,009,949	5,516,372	4,452,577	5,496,231	4,940,113	27,415,242
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						0
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						0
4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3	7,009,949	5,516,372	4,452,577	5,496,231	4,940,113	27,415,242
5 The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f)						1,858,374
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4						25,556,868

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a)2011	(b)2012	(c)2013	(d)2014	(e)2015	(f)Total
7 Amounts from line 4	7,009,949	5,516,372	4,452,577	5,496,231	4,940,113	27,415,242
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	3,384	2,389	1,458	1,086	699	9,016
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						0
10 Other income Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI)	3,277	314	21,370	18,263	17,986	61,210
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						27,485,468

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

125,633,582

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

14 Public support percentage for 2015 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	92.983 %
15 Public support percentage for 2014 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	92.980 %

- 16a 33 1/3% support test—2015.**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—2014.**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—2015.**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 VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ☐
- b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2014.**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 VI 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)2011	(b)2012	(c)2013	(d)2014	(e)2015	(f)Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants.")						
2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose						
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5						
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						
b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year						
c Add lines 7a and 7b						
8 Public support. (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)						

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a)2011	(b)2012	(c)2013	(d)2014	(e)2015	(f)Total
9 Amounts from line 6						
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						
c Add lines 10a and 10b						
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.)						
13 Total support. (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.)						
14 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here ► <input type="checkbox"/>						

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

15 Public support percentage for 2015 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	15	
16 Public support percentage from 2014 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	16	

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2015 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	17	
18 Investment income percentage from 2014 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	
19a 33 1/3% support tests—2015. 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 ► <input type="checkbox"/>		
b 33 1/3% support tests—2014. 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 ► <input type="checkbox"/>		
20 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a, or 19b, check this box and see instructions ► <input type="checkbox"/>		

Part IV Supporting Organizations

(Complete only if you checked a box on line 11 of Part I. If you checked 11a of Part I, complete Sections A and B. If you checked 11b of Part I, complete Sections A and C. If you checked 11c of Part I, complete Sections A, D, and E. If you checked 11d of Part I, complete Sections A and D, and complete Part V.)

Section A. All Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
1 Are all of the organization's supported organizations listed by name in the organization's governing documents? If "No," describe in Part VI how the supported organizations are designated. If designated by class or purpose, describe the designation. If historic and continuing relationship, explain.	1	
2 Did the organization have any supported organization that does not have an IRS determination of status under section 509(a)(1) or (2)? If "Yes," explain in Part VI how the organization determined that the supported organization was described in section 509(a)(1) or (2).	2	
3a Did the organization have a supported organization described in section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6)? If "Yes," answer (b) and (c) below.	3a	
b Did the organization confirm that each supported organization qualified under section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) and satisfied the public support tests under section 509(a)(2)? If "Yes," describe in Part VI when and how the organization made the determination.	3b	
c Did the organization ensure that all support to such organizations was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes? If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization put in place to ensure such use.	3c	
4a Was any supported organization not organized in the United States ("foreign supported organization")? If "Yes" and if you checked 11a or 11b in Part I, answer (b) and (c) below.	4a	
b Did the organization have ultimate control and discretion in deciding whether to make grants to the foreign supported organization? If "Yes," describe in Part VI how the organization had such control and discretion despite being controlled or supervised by or in connection with its supported organizations.	4b	
c Did the organization support any foreign supported organization that does not have an IRS determination under sections 501(c)(3) and 509(a)(1) or (2)? If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization used to ensure that all support to the foreign supported organization was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes.	4c	
5a Did the organization add, substitute, or remove any supported organizations during the tax year? If "Yes," answer (b) and (c) below (if applicable). Also, provide detail in Part VI, including (i) the names and EIN numbers of the supported organizations added, substituted, or removed, (ii) the reasons for each such action, (iii) the authority under the organization's organizing document authorizing such action, and (iv) how the action was accomplished (such as by amendment to the organizing document).	5a	
b Type I or Type II only. Was any added or substituted supported organization part of a class already designated in the organization's organizing document?	5b	
c Substitutions only. Was the substitution the result of an event beyond the organization's control?	5c	
6 Did the organization provide support (whether in the form of grants or the provision of services or facilities) to anyone other than (a) its supported organizations, (b) individuals that are part of the charitable class benefited by one or more of its supported organizations, or (c) other supporting organizations that also support or benefit one or more of the filing organization's supported organizations? If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI .	6	
7 Did the organization provide a grant, loan, compensation, or other similar payment to a substantial contributor (defined in IRC 4958(c)(3)(C)), a family member of a substantial contributor, or a 35-percent controlled entity with regard to a substantial contributor? If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990).	7	
8 Did the organization make a loan to a disqualified person (as defined in section 4958) not described in line 7? If "Yes," complete Part II of Schedule L (Form 990).	8	
9a Was the organization controlled directly or indirectly at any time during the tax year by one or more disqualified persons as defined in section 4946 (other than foundation managers and organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or (2))? If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI .	9a	
b Did one or more disqualified persons (as defined in line 9(a)) hold a controlling interest in any entity in which the supporting organization had an interest? If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI .	9b	
c Did a disqualified person (as defined in line 9(a)) have an ownership interest in, or derive any personal benefit from, assets in which the supporting organization also had an interest? If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI .	9c	
10a Was the organization subject to the excess business holdings rules of IRC 4943 because of IRC 4943(f) (regarding certain Type II supporting organizations, and all Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations)? If "Yes," answer b below.	10a	
b Did the organization have any excess business holdings in the tax year? (Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine whether the organization had excess business holdings.)	10b	
11 Has the organization accepted a gift or contribution from any of the following persons?		
a A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in (b) and (c) below, the governing body of a supported organization?	11a	
b A family member of a person described in (a) above?	11b	
c A 35% controlled entity of a person described in (a) or (b) above? If "Yes" to a, b, or c, provide detail in Part VI.	11c	

Part IV

Supporting Organizations (continued)

Section B. Type I Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
<div>1</div> <div>Did the directors, trustees, or membership of one or more supported organizations have the power to regularly appoint or elect at least a majority of the organization's directors or trustees at all times during the tax year? <i>If "No," describe in Part VI how the supported organization(s) effectively operated, supervised, or controlled the organization's activities. If the organization had more than one supported organization, describe how the powers to appoint and/or remove directors or trustees were allocated among the supported organizations and what conditions or restrictions, if any, applied to such powers during the tax year.</i></div>		
<div>2</div> <div>Did the organization operate for the benefit of any supported organization other than the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI how providing such benefit carried out the purposes of the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised or controlled the supporting organization.</i></div>		

Section C. Type II Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
<div>1</div> <div>Were a majority of the organization's directors or trustees during the tax year also a majority of the directors or trustees of each of the organization's supported organization(s)? <i>If "No," describe in Part VI how control or management of the supporting organization was vested in the same persons that controlled or managed the supported organization(s).</i></div>		

Section D. All Type III Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
<div>1</div> <div>Did the organization provide to each of its supported organizations, by the last day of the fifth month of the organization's tax year, (1) a written notice describing the type and amount of support provided during the prior tax year, (2) a copy of the Form 990 that was most recently filed as of the date of notification, and (3) copies of the organization's governing documents in effect on the date of notification, to the extent not previously provided?</div>		
<div>2</div> <div>Were any of the organization's officers, directors, or trustees either (i) appointed or elected by the supported organization(s) or (ii) serving on the governing body of a supported organization? <i>If "No," explain in Part VI how the organization maintained a close and continuous working relationship with the supported organization(s).</i></div>		
<div>3</div> <div>By reason of the relationship described in (2), did the organization's supported organizations have a significant voice in the organization's investment policies and in directing the use of the organization's income or assets at all times during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role the organization's supported organizations played in this regard.</i></div>		

Section E. Type III Functionally-Integrated Supporting Organizations

<div>1</div> <div>Check the box next to the method that the organization used to satisfy the Integral Part Test during the year (see instructions)</div> <div><div>a</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> The organization satisfied the Activities Test. Complete line 2 below.</div><div><div>b</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> The organization is the parent of each of its supported organizations. Complete line 3 below.</div><div><div>c</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> The organization supported a governmental entity. Describe in Part VI how you supported a government entity (see instructions).</div></div></div></div>		
<div>2</div> <div>Activities Test. Answer (a) and (b) below.</div>		
<div>a</div> <div>Did substantially all of the organization's activities during the tax year directly further the exempt purposes of the supported organization(s) to which the organization was responsive? <i>If "Yes," then in Part VI identify those supported organizations and explain how these activities directly furthered their exempt purposes, how the organization was responsive to those supported organizations, and how the organization determined that these activities constituted substantially all of its activities.</i></div>		
<div>b</div> <div>Did the activities described in (a) constitute activities that, but for the organization's involvement, one or more of the organization's supported organization(s) would have been engaged in? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI the reasons for the organization's position that its supported organization(s) would have engaged in these activities but for the organization's involvement.</i></div>		
<div>3</div> <div>Parent of Supported Organizations. Answer (a) and (b) below.</div>		
<div>a</div> <div>Did the organization have the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the officers, directors, or trustees of each of the supported organizations? Provide details in Part VI.</div>		
<div>b</div> <div>Did the organization exercise a substantial degree of direction over the policies, programs and activities of each of its supported organizations? If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role played by the organization in this regard.</div>		

Part V Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations

1 Check here if the organization satisfied the Integral Part Test as a qualifying trust on Nov. 20, 1970: **See instructions.** All other Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations must complete Sections A through E. ☐

Section A - Adjusted Net Income		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1	Net short-term capital gain	1	
2	Recoveries of prior-year distributions	2	
3	Other gross income (see instructions)	3	
4	Add lines 1 through 3	4	
5	Depreciation and depletion	5	
6	Portion of operating expenses paid or incurred for production or collection of gross income or for management, conservation, or maintenance of property held for production of income (see instructions)	6	
7	Other expenses (see instructions)	7	
8	Adjusted Net Income (subtract lines 5, 6 and 7 from line 4)	8	

Section B - Minimum Asset Amount		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1	Aggregate fair market value of all non-exempt-use assets (see instructions for short tax year or assets held for part of year)	1	
a	Average monthly value of securities	1a	
b	Average monthly cash balances	1b	
c	Fair market value of other non-exempt-use assets	1c	
d	Total (add lines 1a, 1b, and 1c)	1d	
e	Discount claimed for blockage or other factors (explain in detail in Part VI) _____		
2	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to non-exempt use assets	2	
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1d	3	
4	Cash deemed held for exempt use. Enter 1-1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions)	4	
5	Net value of non-exempt-use assets (subtract line 4 from line 3)	5	
6	Multiply line 5 by .035	6	
7	Recoveries of prior-year distributions	7	
8	Minimum Asset Amount (add line 7 to line 6)	8	

Section C - Distributable Amount		Current Year	
1	Adjusted net income for prior year (from Section A, line 8, Column A)	1	
2	Enter 85% of line 1	2	
3	Minimum asset amount for prior year (from Section B, line 8, Column A)	3	
4	Enter greater of line 2 or line 3	4	
5	Income tax imposed in prior year	5	
6	Distributable Amount. Subtract line 5 from line 4, unless subject to emergency temporary reduction (see instructions)	6	
7	Check here if the current year is the organization's first as a non-functionally-integrated Type III supporting organization (see instructions) <input type="checkbox"/>		

Part V Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations (continued)

Section D - Distributions	Current Year
1 Amounts paid to supported organizations to accomplish exempt purposes	
2 Amounts paid to perform activity that directly furthers exempt purposes of supported organizations, in excess of income from activity	
3 Administrative expenses paid to accomplish exempt purposes of supported organizations	
4 Amounts paid to acquire exempt-use assets	
5 Qualified set-aside amounts (prior IRS approval required)	
6 Other distributions (describe in Part VI) See instructions	
7 Total annual distributions. Add lines 1 through 6	
8 Distributions to attentive supported organizations to which the organization is responsive (provide details in Part VI) See instructions	
9 Distributable amount for 2015 from Section C, line 6	
10 Line 8 amount divided by Line 9 amount	

Section E - Distribution Allocations (see instructions)	(i) Excess Distributions	(ii) Underdistributions Pre-2015	(iii) Distributable Amount for 2015
1 Distributable amount for 2015 from Section C, line 6			
2 Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2015 (reasonable cause required--see instructions)			
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2015			
a			
b			
c			
d From 2013.			
e From 2014.			
f Total of lines 3a through e			
g Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
h Applied to 2015 distributable amount			
i Carryover from 2010 not applied (see instructions)			
j Remainder Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from 3f			
4 Distributions for 2015 from Section D, line 7 \$			
a Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
b Applied to 2015 distributable amount			
c Remainder Subtract lines 4a and 4b from 4			
5 Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2015, if any Subtract lines 3g and 4a from line 2 (if amount greater than zero, see instructions)			
6 Remaining underdistributions for 2015 Subtract lines 3h and 4b from line 1 (if amount greater than zero, see instructions)			
7 Excess distributions carryover to 2016. Add lines 3j and 4c			
8 Breakdown of line 7			
a			
b			
c Excess from 2013.			
d From 2014.			
e From 2015.			

Part VI **Supplemental Information.**

Provide the explanations required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b; Part III, line 12; Part IV, Section A, lines 1, 2, 3b, 3c, 4b, 4c, 5a, 6, 9a, 9b, 9c, 11a, 11b, and 11c; Part IV, Section B, lines 1 and 2; Part IV, Section C, line 1; Part IV, Section D, lines 2 and 3; Part IV, Section E, lines 1c, 2a, 2b, 3a and 3b; Part V, line 1; Part V, Section B, line 1e; Part V Section D, lines 5, 6, and 8; and Part V, Section E, lines 2, 5, and 6. Also complete this part for any additional information. (See instructions).

Facts And Circumstances Test

Return Reference

Explanation

SCHEDULE D

(Form 990)

Supplemental Financial Statements

OMB No 1545-0047

2015

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Department of the Treasury

Internal Revenue Service

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

► Attach to Form 990.

Information about Schedule D (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

Name of the organization	Employer identification number
ARTS MIDWEST INC	41-1000424

Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 6.

	(a) Donor advised funds	(b) Funds and other accounts
1	Total number at end of year	
2	Aggregate value of contributions to (during year)	
3	Aggregate value of grants from (during year)	
4	Aggregate value at end of year	
5	Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control?	
	<div><input type="checkbox"/> Yes</div> <div><input type="checkbox"/> No</div>	
6	Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds can be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor, or for any other purpose conferring impermissible private benefit?	
	<div><input type="checkbox"/> Yes</div> <div><input type="checkbox"/> No</div>	

Part II Conservation Easements.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 7.

1	Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply)	
	<div><input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of land for public use (e.g., recreation or education)</div> <div><input type="checkbox"/> Protection of natural habitat</div> <div><input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of open space</div>	<div><input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of an historically important land area</div> <div><input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of a certified historic structure</div>
2	Complete lines 2a through 2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution in the form of a conservation easement on the last day of the tax year	
a	Total number of conservation easements	2a
b	Total acreage restricted by conservation easements	2b
c	Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a)	2c
d	Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 8/17/06, and not on a historic structure listed in the National Register	2d
3	Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the tax year ►	
4	Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located ►	
5	Does the organization have a written policy regarding the periodic monitoring, inspection, handling of violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds?	
	<div><input type="checkbox"/> Yes</div> <div><input type="checkbox"/> No</div>	
6	Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year	
	►	
7	Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year	
	► \$	
8	Does each conservation easement reported on line 2(d) above satisfy the requirements of section 170(h)(4)(B)(i) and section 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)?	
	<div><input type="checkbox"/> Yes</div> <div><input type="checkbox"/> No</div>	
9	In Part XIII, describe how the organization reports conservation easements in its revenue and expense statement, and balance sheet, and include, if applicable, the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that describes the organization's accounting for conservation easements	

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 8.

1a	If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), not to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide, in Part XIII, the text of the footnote to its financial statements that describes these items	
b	If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide the following amounts relating to these items	
	(i) Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1	► \$
	(ii) Assets included in Form 990, Part X	► \$
2	If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain, provide the following amounts required to be reported under SFAS 116 (ASC 958) relating to these items	
a	Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1	► \$
b	Assets included in Form 990, Part X	► \$

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets
(continued)

- 3** Using the organization's acquisition, accession, and other records, check any of the following that are a significant use of its collection items (check all that apply)
- a** ☐ Public exhibition

d ☐ Loan or exchange programs

b ☐ Scholarly research

e ☐ Other

c ☐ Preservation for future generations
- 4** Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIII
- 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" on 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 XIII and complete the following table
- | | Amount |
|--|-----------|
| c Beginning balance | 1c |
| d Additions during the year | 1d |
| e Distributions during the year | 1e |
| f Ending balance | 1f |
- 2a** Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- b** If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII Check here if the explanation has been provided in Part XIII ☐

Part V Endowment Funds. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

	(a)Current year	(b)Prior year	b (c)Two years back	(d)Three years back	(e)Four years back
1a Beginning of year balance					
b Contributions					
c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses					
d Grants or scholarships					
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs					
f Administrative expenses					
g End of year balance					

- 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 ▶

c Temporarily restricted endowment ▶
- The percentages on lines 2a, 2b, and 2c should equal 100%
- 3a** Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by
- (i)** unrelated organizations

(ii) related organizations
- b** If "Yes" on 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?
- 4** Describe in Part XIII the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds

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

Part VI Land, Buildings, and Equipment.
Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 11a. 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		183,549	179,566	3,983
d Equipment		139,141	83,024	56,117
e Other		81,616	81,058	558
Total. Add lines 1a through 1e (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c)) ▶				60,658

Part XI Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return
Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements	1	6,107,515
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12		
a	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	2a	259
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b	82,514
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	2d	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	82,773
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	6,024,742
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 XIII)	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	6,024,742

Part XII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return.
Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	1	6,668,789
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25		
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a	82,514
b	Prior year adjustments	2b	
c	Other losses	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	2d	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	82,514
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	6,586,275
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 XIII)	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	6,586,275

Part XIII Supplemental Information

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, lines 2d and 4b, and Part XII, lines 2d and 4b. Also complete this part to provide any additional information.

Return Reference	Explanation
PART X, LINE 2	The Organization is classified as a tax-exempt public charity under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and is subject to federal and state income tax only on net unrelated business income. The Organization had no unrelated business taxable income in 2016 and 2015. Management evaluated the Organizations tax positions and concluded there were no uncertain tax positions that require adjustments to the financial statements. The Organization is open to examination for fiscal tax years 2013 through 2016.

Part XIII **Supplemental Information** *(continued)*

Return Reference	Explanation

**SCHEDULE F
(Form 990)**

Statement of Activities Outside the United States

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Inspection**

- ▶ **Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990,
Part IV, line 14b, 15, or 16.**
- ▶ **Attach to Form 990.**

▶ **Information about Schedule F (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization
ARTS MIDWEST INC

Employer identification number

41-1000424

Part I General Information on Activities Outside the United States.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 14b.

- 1 For grantmakers.** Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of its grants and other assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- 2 For grantmakers.** Describe in Part V the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of its grants and other assistance outside the United States
- 3** Activities per Region (The following Part I, line 3 table can be duplicated if additional space is needed)

(a) Region	(b) Number of offices in the region	(c) Number of employees, agents, and independent contractors in region	(d) Activities conducted in region (by type) (e g , fundraising, program services, investments, grants to recipients located in the region)	(e) If activity listed in (d) is a program service, describe specific type of service(s) in region	(f) Total expenditures for and investments in region
(1) South America			Program Services	PROGRAMMING/TRAVEL	78,798
(2) North America			Program Services	PROGRAMMING/TRAVEL	7,727
(3) East Asia and the Pacific			Program Services	PROGRAMMING/TRAVEL	54,309
(4) Middle East and North Africa			Program Services	PROGRAMMING/TRAVEL	19,811
(5) Europe (Including Iceland and Greenland)			Program Services	PROGRAMMING/TRAVEL	5,291
3a Sub-total					165,936
b Total from continuation sheets to Part I					
c Totals (add lines 3a and 3b)					165,936

Part II

Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations or Entities Outside the United States.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 15, for any recipient who received more than \$5,000. Part II can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

1	(a) Name of organization	(b) IRS code section and EIN (if applicable)	(c) Region	(d) Purpose of grant	(e) Amount of cash grant	(f) Manner of cash disbursement	(g) Amount of non-cash assistance	(h) Description of non-cash assistance	(i) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)
(1)									
(2)									
(3)									
(4)									

2 Enter total number of recipient organizations listed above that are recognized as charities by the foreign country, recognized as tax-exempt by the IRS, or for which the grantee or counsel has provided a section 501(c)(3) equivalency letter ▶ _____

3 Enter total number of other organizations or entities ▶ _____

Part III **Grants and Other Assistance to Individuals Outside the United States.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 16.
Part III can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

(a) Type of grant or assistance	(b) Region	(c) Number of recipients	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Manner of cash disbursement	(f) Amount of non-cash assistance	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)
(1)							
(2)							
(3)							
(4)							
(5)							
(6)							
(7)							
(8)							
(9)							
(10)							
(11)							
(12)							
(13)							
(14)							
(15)							
(16)							
(17)							
(18)							

Part IV Foreign Forms

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Was the organization a U S transferor of property to a foreign corporation during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 926, Return by a U S Transferor of Property to a Foreign Corporation (see Instructions for Form 926)*

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Yes

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No
- 2

Did the organization have an interest in a foreign trust during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 3520, Annual Return to Report Transactions with Foreign Trusts and Receipt of Certain Foreign Gifts, and/or Form 3520-A, Annual Information Return of Foreign Trust With a U S Owner (see Instructions for Forms 3520 and 3520-A, do not file with Form 990)*

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Yes

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No
- 3

Did the organization have an ownership interest in a foreign corporation during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 5471, Information Return of U S Persons with Respect to Certain Foreign Corporations (see Instructions for Form 5471)*

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Yes

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No
- 4

Was the organization a direct or indirect shareholder of a passive foreign investment company or a qualified electing fund during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 8621, Information Return by a Shareholder of a Passive Foreign Investment Company or Qualified Electing Fund (see Instructions for Form 8621)*

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Yes

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No
- 5

Did the organization have an ownership interest in a foreign partnership during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 8865, Return of U S Persons with Respect to Certain Foreign Partnerships (see Instructions for Form 8865)*

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Yes

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No
- 6

Did the organization have any operations in or related to any boycotting countries during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 5713, International Boycott Report (see Instructions for Form 5713, do not file with Form 990)*

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Yes

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No

Part V **Supplemental Information**

Provide the information required by Part I, line 2 (monitoring of funds); Part I, line 3, column (f) (accounting method; amounts of investments vs. expenditures per region); Part II, line 1 (accounting method); Part III (accounting method); and Part III, column (c) (estimated number of recipients), as applicable. Also complete this part to provide any additional information (see instructions).

990 Schedule F, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
PART I, LINE 3	All expenditures in Part I, Line 3, Part F are accounted for on the Accrual Basis

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41-1000424

1 Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of the grants or assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance?

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

☐ Yes ☐ No[illegible]

3 Enter total number of other organizations listed in the line 1 table 37

Part III **Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Individuals.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on 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

Part IV **Supplemental Information.** Provide the information required in Part I, line 2, Part III, column (b), and any other additional information.

Return Reference	Explanation
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Additional Data

Software ID:
Software Version:
EIN: 41-1000424
Name: ARTS MIDWEST INC

Form 990,Schedule I, Part II, Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments.

(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
Oceanside Public Library 330 North Coast Highway Oceanside,CA 920542824	95-1688570	170(c)(1)	20,000				Big Read
Kaw Nation PO Box 50 Kaw City,OK 746410050	73-1184157	501(c)(3)	8,817				Big Read
City of Peabody 82 Main Street Peabody,MA 019605553	04-6054008	170(c)(1)	13,600				Big Read

Form 990, Schedule I, Part II, Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments.

(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
Friends of the Knox County Public Library 500 West Church Avenue Knoxville, TN 379022505	23-7208195	501(c)(3)	15,000				Big Read
Cromaine District Library PO Box 308 3688 North Hartland Roa Hartland, MI 483530308	38-3274706	501(c)(3)	10,000				Big Read
Worcester County Library Foundation 307 North Washington Street Snow Hill, MD 218631062	20-2766558	501(c)(3)	15,000				Big Read

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Community College of Philadelphia 1700 Spring Garden Street Philadelphia, PA 191303936	23-6391672	170(c)(1)	11,600				Big Read
Staten Island OutLOUD 350 Richmond Terrace 2B Staten Island, NY 103011516	27-1531761	501(c)(3)	8,000				Big Read
Grounds For Sculpture 80 Sculptors Way Trenton, NJ 086193451	22-3694371	501(c)(3)	15,000				Big Read

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City of Charlottesville 210 East Market Street Charlottesville, VA 229025209	54-6001202	170(c)(1)	7,750				Big Read
Miami Dade College - Miami Book Fair 300 NE 2nd Ave Freedom Tower 7th Fl Miami, FL 331322204	59-1210485	501(c)(3)	16,200				Big Read
Literacy Connects 200 East Yavapai Road Tucson, AZ 857053650	23-7047508	501(c)(3)	16,200				Big Read

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Owen County Public Library 1370 Highway 22 East Owenton, KY 403599096	61-0476697	170(c)(1)	10,800				Big Read
City of Davenport 321 Main Street Davenport, IA 528011409	42-1204594	170(c)(1)	10,000				Big Read
City of San Leandro 300 Estudillo Avenue San Leandro, CA 945774706	94-6000421	170(c)(1)	15,000				Big Read

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County of Volusia - Library Support Center 1290 Indian Lake Road Daytona Beach, FL 321241038	59-0000885	170(c)(1)	15,000				Big Read
Massillon Museum 121 Lincoln Way East Massillon, OH 446466633	34-6001833	501(c)(3)	15,000				Big Read
East Central University 1100 East Fourteenth Street Box k2 Ada, OK 74820	73-6017987	170(c)(1)	12,600				Big Read

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Albion College 611 East Porter Street Albion, MI 492242127	38-1359081	501(c)(3)	8,500				Big Read
Golden Isles Arts and Humanities Association 1530 Newcastle Street Brunswick, GA 315206805	58-1822047	501(c)(3)	15,000				Big Read
DeKalb Public Library 309 Oak Street DeKalb, IL 601153369	36-6005846	170(c)(1)	15,000				Big Read

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Indian Trails Public Library District 355 Schoenbeck Road Wheeling, IL 600904467	36-2512797	170(c)(1)	11,200				Big Read
City of Germantown TN 1930 South Germantown Road Germantown, TN 381382815	62-6014996	170(c)(1)	10,000				Big Read
Waukesha Public Library 321 Wisconsin Avenue Waukesha, WI 531864713	39-6005642	170(c)(1)	13,800				Big Read

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7 Stages Theatre 1105 Euclid Avenue Atlanta, GA 303071925	58-1372363	501(c)(3)	15,000				Big Read
Birmingham-Southern College 900 Arkadelphia Road 1504 Yorkmont Birmingham, AL 352540002	63-0288811	501(c)(3)	16,200				Big Read
Matthews Opera House and Arts Center 612 North Main Street Spearfish, SD 577832445	36-3652212	501(c)(3)	12,500				Big Read

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University of Georgia Post Award Accounting 310 E Campus Athens, GA 30602	58-6001998	170(c)(1)	16,200				Big Read
Wake County - West Regional Library 4000 Louis Stephens Dr Raleigh, NC 27519	56-6000347	170(c)(1)	10,000				Big Read
Research Foundation of State University of NY E230 Thompson Hall Office of Sponso Fredonia, NY 140631127	14-1368361	501(c)(3)	15,000				Big Read

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Rutgers State University 311 North 5th Street Camden, NJ 081021405	22-6001086	501(c)(3)	15,000				Big Read
Muscogee County Friends of Libraries 3000 Macon Road Columbus, GA 319062201	31-1596861	501(c)(3)	16,200				Big Read
University of Central Florida 12201 Research Parkway Suite 501 Orlando, FL 328263246	59-2924021	170(c)(1)	15,000				Big Read

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Beardsley & Memorial Library 40 Munro Place Winsted, CT 060981509	06-0662106	501(c)(3)	15,000				Big Read
City of Kenosha PO Box 1414 812 56th Street Kenosha, WI 531411414	39-6091654	170(c)(1)	16,200				Big Read
Wayne Metropolitan Community Action Agency 2121 Biddle Avenue Suite 102 Wyandotte, MI 481924064	38-1976979	501(c)(3)	10,000				Big Read

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Paramount Arts Center PO Box 1546 1300 Winchester Avenue Ashland, KY 411011546	61-1181883	501(c)(3)	12,000				Big Read
Hope College PO Box 9000 Holland, MI 494229000	38-1381271	501(c)(3)	16,200				Big Read
Beaufort County 311 Scott Street Beaufort, SC 299025556	57-6000311	170(c)(1)	16,200				Big Read

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Orange County 1501 East Saint Andrew Place Santa Ana, CA 927054930	95-6009280	170(c)(1)	15,000				Big Read
Catawba County 115 West C Street Newton, NC 286583331	30-0275654	170(c)(1)	11,800				Big Read
Lewis & Clark Library 120 South Last Chance Gulch Helena, MT 596014165	81-0398318	170(c)(1)	16,200				Big Read

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Ball State University 2000 West University Avenue Muncie, IN 473061022	35-6000221	170(c)(1)	15,000				Big Read
King County Library System Foundation Service Center 960 Newport Way Nort Issaquah, WA 980272702	91-1505230	501(c)(3)	15,000				Big Read
Washington County Public Library System 205 Oak Hill Street Abingdon, VA 242102823	54-6001667	170(c)(1)	20,000				Big Read

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Just Buffalo Literary Center 617 Main Street 202A Buffalo, NY 142031400	22-2995665	501(c)(3)	15,000				Big Read
ArtReach St Croix 224 North 4th Street Stillwater, MN 550824807	41-1758837	501(c)(3)	15,000				Big Read
Scott County Historical Society 235 Fuller Street South Shakopee, MN 553791320	41-0944151	501(c)(3)	6,130				Big Read

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Springfield-Greene County Library District 4653 South Campbell Avenue Springfield, MO 658101723	05-0534215	170(c)(1)	10,000				Big Read
Fishtrap Inc PO Box 38 Enterprise, OR 978280038	93-1075971	501(c)(3)	10,500				Big Read
Wichita Public Library Foundation 223 South Main Street Wichita, KS 672023715	48-6000653	501(c)(3)	20,000				Big Read

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Broward Public Library Foundation 100 South Andrews Ave Florida Center for the Book Browar Fort Lauderdale, FL 333011830	59-2224746	501(c)(3)	16,200				Big Read
City of Waukegan 128 North County Street Waukegan, IL 600854306	36-6006139	170(c)(1)	8,000				Big Read
City of Los Angeles 201 North Figueroa Street Suite 140 Los Angeles, CA 900122623	95-6000735	170(c)(1)	16,200				Big Read

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City of Rancho Cucamonga 7368 Archibald Avenue Rancho Cucamonga, CA 917301401	95-3213002	170(c)(1)	15,000				Big Read
Radford University PO Box 6926 Radford, VA 241426926	54-6001789	170(c)(1)	15,000				Big Read
Danville Library Inc 307 West Broadway Street Danville, KY 404221407	61-0492383	501(c)(3)	7,010				Big Read

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Columbia College Chicago Library 600 South Michigan Avenue Chicago, IL 606051900	36-6112087	501(c)(3)	16,200				Big Read
Peoria Public Library 107 Northeast Monroe Street Peoria, IL 616021070	37-6001761	170(c)(1)	10,000				Big Read
Mid-Continent Public Library 15616 East US Hwy 24 Independence, MO 640502057	44-6000522	170(c)(1)	15,000				Big Read

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The Lower Eastside Girls Club of New York 101 Avenue D Suite 12E New York, NY 100095446	13-3942063	501(c)(3)	15,000				Big Read
Metropolitan State University 700 East 7th Street St Paul, MN 551065003	41-6007162	170(c)(1)	14,200				Big Read
University of Wisconsin - Whitewater Irvin L Young Auditorium 930 West M Whitewater, WI 531902122	39-1805963	501(c)(3)	15,000				Big Read

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The University of Southern Mississippi 118 College Drive 5157 Hattiesburg, MS 394060002	64-6000818	501(c)(3)	10,000				Big Read
Governors State University 1 University Parkway The Center for Performing Arts University Park, IL 60471	36-2684803	170(c)(1)	12,100				Big Read
Evanston Public Library 1703 Orrington Avenue Evanston, IL 602013886	36-6005870	170(c)(1)	15,000				Big Read

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Dearborn Public Library 16301 Michigan Avenue Dearborn, MI 481262723	38-6004605	170(c)(1)	10,000				Big Read
Arts Herndon Inc PO Box 940 730 Elden Street Herndon, VA 201720940	52-1432391	501(c)(3)	10,000				Big Read
Chesapeake Children's Museum 25 Silopanna Road Annapolis, MD 214031117	52-1808319	501(c)(3)	15,000				Big Read

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Hiram College PO Box 67 Hiram, OH 442340067	34-0714670	501(c)(3)	15,000				Big Read
Mercantile Library Association of the City of NY 17 East 47th Street New York, NY 100171920	13-1624084	501(c)(3)	15,000				Big Read
Hartford Public Library 500 Main Street Hartford, CT 061033075	06-6026029	501(c)(3)	16,200				Big Read

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City of Attleboro 74 North Main Street Attleboro, MA 027032218	04-6001378	170(c)(1)	10,000				Big Read
Pennyroyal Arts Council Inc PO Box 1038 Hopkinsville, KY 422411038	31-0922296	501(c)(3)	16,200				Big Read
Galesburg Public Library 40 East Simmons Street Galesburg, IL 614014515	37-6001163	170(c)(1)	9,000				Big Read

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Montana State University PO Box 174120 Black Box Theater 258 Bozeman, MT 597172470	81-6010045	501(c)(3)	25,000				Shakespeare
California Shakespeare Theater 701 Heinz Avenue Berkeley, CA 947102732	51-0169452	501(c)(3)	25,000				Shakespeare
Shakespeare & Company Inc 70 Kemble Street Lenox, MA 012402813	04-2666826	501(c)(3)	25,000				Shakespeare

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Hudson Valley Shakespeare Festival Inc 143 Main Street Cold Spring, NY 105162819	13-3499385	501(c)(3)	25,000				Shakespeare
Actors' Shakespeare Project Inc 191 Highland Avenue Suite 2B Somerville, MA 021431544	20-0815685	501(c)(3)	25,000				Shakespeare
African-American Shakespeare Company 762 Fulton Street Suite 306 San Francisco, CA 941024119	94-3192980	501(c)(3)	25,000				Shakespeare

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Hartford Stage Company 50 Church Street Hartford, CT 061031201	06-0790484	501(c)(3)	25,000				Shakespeare
Trinity Repertory Company 201 Washington Street Providence, RI 029033226	22-2547262	501(c)(3)	25,000				Shakespeare
Administrators of the Tulane Educational Fund 6823 St Charles Avenue Office of Research Adm, LA 701185665	72-0423889	501(c)(3)	25,000				Shakespeare

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Cape Fear Regional Theatre at Fayetteville Inc 1209 Hay Street Fayetteville, NC 283054772	56-0856992	501(c)(3)	25,000				Shakespeare
A Noise Within 3352 East Foothill Boulevard Pasadena, CA 911073111	95-4443878	501(c)(3)	25,000				Shakespeare
Southern Utah University 351 West Center Street Cedar City, UT 847202470	87-6000481	501(c)(3)	25,000				Shakespeare

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The Warehouse Theatre 37 Augusta Street Greenville, SC 296013501	57-0609773	501(c)(3)	25,000				Shakespeare
Trustees of Amherst College Folger Shakespeare Library 201 East Washington, DC 200091004	04-2103542	501(c)(3)	25,000				Shakespeare
Two River Theatre Company Inc 21 Bridge Avenue Red Bank, NJ 077011105	52-1857757	501(c)(3)	25,000				Shakespeare

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Shakespeare Festival St Louis 5715 Elizabeth Avenue St Louis, MO 631102801	43-1815139	501(c)(3)	25,000				Shakespeare
Theater at Monmouth PO Box 385 Monmouth, ME 042590385	01-0287022	501(c)(3)	25,000				Shakespeare
The PA Shakespeare Festival at DeSales University 2755 Station Avenue Center Valley, PA 180349565	23-2655672	501(c)(3)	25,000				Shakespeare

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Pittsburgh Public Theater Corporation 621 Penn Avenue Pittsburgh, PA 152223204	23-7398683	501(c)(3)	25,000				Shakespeare
Group 1 Acting Company Inc PO Box 898 New York, NY 101080898	13-2759292	501(c)(3)	25,000				Shakespeare
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill UNC-OSR 104 Airport Dr Ste 2200 C PlayMakers Repertory Company Chapel Hill, NC 275995023	56-6001393	509(a)	25,000				Shakespeare

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CSC Repertory Ltd 136 East 13th Street New York, NY 100035306	23-7025308	501(c)(3)	25,000				Shakespeare
Actors Theatre of Louisville Inc 316 West Main Street Louisville, KY 402022916	61-0645030	501(c)(3)	25,000				Shakespeare
Park Square Theatre Company 408 St Peter Street Suite 110 St Paul, MN 551029700	41-1280683	501(c)(3)	25,000				Shakespeare

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The Shakespeare Theatre of New Jersey 3 Vreeland Road Florham Park, NJ 079321505	22-1962163	501(c)(3)	25,000				Shakespeare
Will Geer Theatricum Botanicum PO Box 1222 Topanga, CA 902901222	23-7369475	501(c)(3)	25,000				Shakespeare
Oregon Shakespeare Festival Association 15 South Pioneer Street PO Box 158 Ashland, OR 975202749	93-0407022	501(c)(3)	25,000				Shakespeare

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Nebraska Shakespeare Festival 2500 California Plaza c/o Dept of Fine Arts Creighton U Omaha, NE 681780133	47-0699092	501(c)(3)	25,000				Shakespeare
Atlanta Shakespeare Company 499 Peachtree Street New American Shakespeare Tavern Atlanta, GA 303083102	58-1404045	501(c)(3)	25,000				Shakespeare
Alley Theatre 615 Texas Avenue Houston, TX 770022710	74-1143076	501(c)(3)	25,000				Shakespeare

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Great Lakes Theater Festival Inc 1501 Euclid Avenue Suite 300 Cleveland, OH 441152108	34-0901212	501(c)(3)	25,000				Shakespeare
Chicago Shakespeare Theater 800 East Grand Avenue on Navy Pier Chicago, IL 606115461	36-3467607	501(c)(3)	25,000				Shakespeare
Idaho Shakespeare Festival Inc PO Box 9365 Boise, ID 837079365	82-0316246	501(c)(3)	25,000				Shakespeare

Form 990, Schedule I, Part II, Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments.

(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
Aquila Theatre Company 51 Bedford Road Suite 10 Katonah, NY 105362135	57-1069546	501(c)(3)	25,000				Shakespeare
American Players Theatre of Wisconsin Inc PO Box 819 5950 Golf Course Road Spring Green, WI 535888036	39-1583361	501(c)(3)	25,000				Shakespeare
Seattle Shakespeare Festival PO Box 19595 Seattle, WA 981091595	91-1512717	501(c)(3)	25,000				Shakespeare

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Tennessee Shakespeare Company PO Box 382143 Germantown, TN 381832143	26-2113887	501(c)(3)	25,000				Shakespeare
Shakespeare Theatre 516 8th Street Southeast Washington, DC 200032834	52-1405988	501(c)(3)	25,000				Shakespeare
Alabama Shakespeare Festival One Festival Drive Montgomery, AL 361174605	63-0652734	501(c)(3)	25,000				Shakespeare

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Guthrie Theater Foundation 818 South 2nd Street Minneapolis, MN 554151252	41-0854160	501(c)(3)	25,000				Shakespeare

Schedule J
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Compensation Information

For certain Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees
 ► Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 23.
 ► Attach to Form 990.
 ► Information about Schedule J (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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Name of the organization

ARTS MIDWEST INC

Employer identification number

41-1000424

Part I

Questions Regarding Compensation

	Yes	No
<div>1a</div> <div>Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a. Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items.</div> <div> <div> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> First-class or charter travel <input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use </div> <div> <input type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions <input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence </div> <div> <input type="checkbox"/> Tax indemnification and gross-up payments <input type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees </div> <div> <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account <input type="checkbox"/> Personal services (e.g., maid, chauffeur, chef) </div> </div>		
<div>b</div> <div>If any of the boxes in line 1a are checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or reimbursement or provision of all of the expenses described above? If "No," complete Part III to explain.</div>	1b	Yes
<div>2</div> <div>Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all directors, trustees, officers, including the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked in line 1a?</div>	2	Yes
<div>3</div> <div>Indicate which, if any, of the following the filing organization used to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director. Check all that apply. Do not check any boxes for methods used by a related organization to establish compensation of the CEO/Executive Director, but explain in Part III.</div> <div> <div> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation committee <input type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract </div> <div> <input type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study </div> <div> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form 990 of other organizations <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval by the board or compensation committee </div> </div>		
<div>4</div> <div>During the year, did any person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a with respect to the filing organization or a related organization:</div>		
<div>a</div> <div>Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment?</div>	4a	No
<div>b</div> <div>Participate in, or receive payment from, a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan?</div>	4b	No
<div>c</div> <div>Participate in, or receive payment from, an equity-based compensation arrangement?</div>	4c	No
<div> <div>If "Yes" to any of lines 4a-c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III.</div> <div>Only 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations must complete lines 5-9.</div> </div>		
<div>5</div> <div>For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the revenues of:</div>		
<div>a</div> <div>The organization?</div>	5a	No
<div>b</div> <div>Any related organization?</div>	5b	No
<div> <div>If "Yes," on line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III.</div> </div>		
<div>6</div> <div>For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the net earnings of:</div>		
<div>a</div> <div>The organization?</div>	6a	No
<div>b</div> <div>Any related organization?</div>	6b	No
<div> <div>If "Yes," on line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III.</div> </div>		
<div>7</div> <div>For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any non-fixed payments not described in lines 5 and 6? If "Yes," describe in Part III.</div>	7	No
<div>8</div> <div>Were any amounts reported on Form 990, Part VII, paid or accrued pursuant to a contract that was subject to the initial contract exception described in Regulations section 53.4958-4(a)(3)? If "Yes," describe in Part III.</div>	8	No
<div>9</div> <div>If "Yes" on line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in Regulations section 53.4958-6(c)?</div>	9	

Part II Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees. Use duplicate copies if additional space is needed.

For each individual whose compensation must be reported on Schedule J, report compensation from the organization on row (i) and from related organizations, described in the instructions, on row (ii). Do not list any individuals that are not listed on Form 990, Part VII.

Note. The sum of columns (B)(i)-(iii) for each listed individual must equal the total amount of Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, applicable column (D) and (E) amounts for that individual.

(A) Name and Title		(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC compensation			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation in column (B) reported as deferred on prior Form 990
		(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
1 DAVID J FRAHER PRESIDENT & CEO	(i)	163,951 ----- 0	20,000 ----- 0	4,666 ----- 0	11,977 ----- 0	12,150 ----- 0	212,744 ----- 0	0 ----- 0
	(ii)							

Part III **Supplemental Information**

Provide the information, explanation, or descriptions required for Part I, lines 1a, 1b, 3, 4a, 4b, 4c, 5a, 5b, 6a, 6b, 7, and 8, and for Part II. Also complete this part for any additional information.

Return Reference	Explanation
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**SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)**

Department of the
Treasury
Internal Revenue
Service

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.**

Name of the organization
ARTS MIDWEST INC

Employer identification number

41-1000424

Return Reference	Explanation
PART III, LINE 1	(Continuation from Part III) Arts Midw est w orks collaboratively w ith private and public arts supporters throughout Illinois, Indiana, low a, Michigan, Minnesota, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota, and Wisconsin Arts Midw est designs and develops performing arts touring programs, leadership and strategic planning training, exhibitions, and funding programs that fulfill its mission

Return Reference	Explanation
PART III, LINE 4A	<p>(Continuation from Part III) Shakespeare in American Communities supports U S theater companies performing Shakespeare for high school and middle school students NEA Performing Arts Discovery encourages international touring networks by introducing arts presenters from China and Chile to U S performing artists and artforms, primarily at our Arts Midwest Conference The Native American / China Exchange tours highly-esteemed Native American performers to smaller cities and rural areas across China to introduce Chinese people to an often-overlooked facet of American culture Arts Midwest touring fund engages people in meaningful experiences with the fine arts of dance, music, theater, and other performing arts forms The program provides financial support to presenting organizations in the Midwest Funded engagements feature public performances and community engagement activities by professional touring artists that reach underserved audiences and foster exchanges between artists and Midwest communities During the 2016-2017 funding season, Arts Midwest Touring Fund awarded over \$380,000 to more than 142 presenting organizations across the nine-state region Arts Midwest World Fest connects small and mid-sized Midwestern communities to world cultures through week-long residencies with global performers Ensembles from Israel (Baladino), China (Anda Union), South Africa/Canada (Lorraine Klaasen Ensemble), and Quebec (Le Vent Du Nord) are conducting week-long residencies consisting of public concerts, school concerts, and outreach activities in the following nine Midwest communities Brookings, SD, Wahpeton, ND, Thief River Falls, MN, Rhinelander, WI, Forest City, IA, Lebanon, IL, Wilmington, OH, Adrian, MI, and Plymouth, IN The program provides arts enrichment while inspiring multicultural outreach, awareness, and appreciation In each two year cycle, we serve approximately 90,000 students and 15,000 adults through approximately 45 performances and 300 educational activities Caravanserai A Place Where Cultures Meet creates new pathways for Americans to experience the diversity of contemporary Muslim artistic expressions by introducing U S audiences to exciting and dynamic Muslim performing artists The 2015-2016 Caravanserai American Voices season featured contemporary Muslim American musical expressions shared by Palestinian-American multi-instrumentalist Ronnie Malley, Indian-American soul-singer Zeshan Bagewadi, popular hip-hop/soul duo The Reminders, hip-hop dance troupe MaMa2 and DJ Man-O-Wax Three performing arts organizations in the Midwestern United States hosted two musical residencies featuring Organizations included North Dakota Museum of Art (Grand Forks, ND), A Center for the Arts (Fergus Falls, MN) and The Dennon Museum Center (Traverse City, MI) Over the course of the performance season, the participating artists reached over 6,700 youth and adults through 32 educational events, 11 community outreach activities, and 9 public performances The Arts Midwest Conference is the preeminent booking and educational conference for the Midwest performing arts industry The 28th Annual Conference was held in Kansas City, Missouri, September 9-12, 2015, it served 1,026 performing artists, managers, and agents, performing arts presenters/venues, and arts administrators from 42 states and the District of Columbia, five Canadian provinces, and the countries of Chile, China, France and Germany Each year the four-day Arts Midwest Conference provides opportunities to network, learn, and experience live performing arts Arts Midwest continues to manage Shakespeare in American Communities, which supports theater companies bringing professional productions of Shakespeare to high school and middle school students across the country In 2016-2017, this national program of the National Endowment for the Arts awarded \$1 million in grants to 40 nonprofit, professional theater companies across the nation to perform the works of William Shakespeare for students Each of the participating theater companies will present productions of Shakespeare plays to students from at least 10 schools Accompanying educational activities include in-school residencies, workshops, and post-performance discussions Through support from the National Endowment for the Arts, the NEA Performing Arts Discovery builds and sustains international arts networks and highlights the rich diversity of the U S performing arts market The program seeks to share exceptional performers who may be unfamiliar to foreign presenters, provide a forum for collaboration between cultural organizations, and ultimately expand the global opportunities for performing artists from across the Midwestern United States In pursuit of this goal, the NEA Performing Arts Discovery brings booking representatives and leaders from global performing arts venues to the annual Arts Midwest Conference International delegates receive a special orientation led by prominent U S speakers and Arts Midwest staff before fully participating in Conference programming, including visiting the exhibit hall, enjoying meals and social events, and attending performance showcases In 2015, the NEA Performing Arts Discovery hosted five delegates representing four major presenting organizations in Chile and four delegates representing more than 50 theaters in China The Native American / China Exchange features distinguished Native American artists conducting interactive workshops and performances in smaller cities and rural areas across China Presented in partnership with the U S Embassy in Beijing, the project seeks to reach diverse Chinese publics including rural citizens, relocated or migrant workers, and ethnic minorities who may not normally participate in cultural programming The program draws on the rich native traditions within the Midwest region along with Arts Midwests established network in China to encourage cross-cultural dialogue using traditional cultural practices The 2015/2016 exchange featured artists Kevin Locke, Gene Tagaban, and Doug Good Feather who conducted activities in the city of Harbin and across the province of Heilongjiang, China In total the program reached 2,394 individuals, including 810 youths, through 4 educational, 17 community, and 5 formal performance activities</p>

Return Reference	Explanation
PART III, LINE 4B	<p>(Continuation from Part III) Each community event lasts approximately one month and includes a kick-off event to launch the program locally, ideally attended by the mayor and other local luminaries, major events devoted specifically to the book (e g panel discussions and author reading), events using the book as a point of departure (e g film screenings and theatrical readings), and book discussions in diverse locations and aimed at a wide range of audiences. In 2015-2016, 75 nonprofit organizations (including arts organizations, universities, libraries, and municipalities) representing 31 states received grants totaling \$1,012,500 to host Big Read programs between September 2015 and June 2016. Each community focused on one of 37 featured books, which included such well-known titles as 'The Adventures of Tom Sawyer' by Mark Twain, 'The Great Gatsby' by F. Scott Fitzgerald, 'The Call of the Wild' by Jack London, and the stories and poems of Edgar Allan Poe.</p>

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PART III, LINE 4C	<p>(Continuation from Part III) ArtsLab is rooted in the belief that the arts are essential to a Midwest filled with vibrant communities, competitive industries, and strong economies. Since fall 2014, Arts Midwest has been conducting research to understand existing, deeply held public values, and we have been pursuing communications strategies that demonstrate the connection between those values and arts, culture, and creative expression. These efforts are informing a long-term Creating Connection initiative, which is driven by a goal of making arts and culture a more recognized, valued, and expected part of everyday life through catalyzing social change around the way people support, advocate for, and expect creativity in their lives. Our activities include sharing our research at national conferences, providing trainings to arts organizations and community leaders across the country, and developing tools and resources to guide those leaders in identifying new audiences, engaging new stakeholders, and delivering programs and services that are aligned with community values.</p>

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PART III, LINE 4D	<p>The Arts Midwest Printmaker Exchange is a visual arts program of Arts Midwest with support from the Pennsylvania Council on the Arts and the Robert Sterling Clark Foundation. Through a two-way exchange, the program encourages artistic development for established visual artists while building lasting relationships between artists and organizations in the United States and Chile. The program worked with two lead printmaking studios: Artists Image Resource in Pittsburgh, USA, and Taller 99 in Santiago, Chile. The program began with a leadership exchange: in June 2015, leaders from Artists Image Resource traveled to Chile, and in September 2016, leaders from Taller 99 traveled to Pittsburgh. These leadership visits created deep relationships between the two studios and facilitated planning for the following artist exchanges. From April 12-May 12, 2016, two Chilean artists visited Artists Image Resource in Pittsburgh. From June 6-June 25, 2016, two U.S. artists visited Taller 99 in Santiago. Each set of artists worked in residency alongside local printmakers, explored new methods to create work, hosted discussions and exhibitions, and visited key cultural venues. The participating studios will expand on the relationship established through this exchange with activities planned separately in 2016-2017.</p>

Return Reference	Explanation
PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 3	THE ORGANIZATION CONTRACTS WITH CLIFTONLARSONALLEN, LLP, AN ACCOUNTING FIRM, TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT SERVICES DURING FY 2016, THE ORGANIZATION PAID \$41,246 FOR THESE SERVICES

Return Reference	Explanation
PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 6	THE MEMBERS OF THE ORGANIZATION ARE NON-VOTING AND CONSIST OF THOSE INTERESTED IN THE GOALS AND PURPOSES OF THE CORPORATION MEMBERSHIP IS ATTAINED UPON APPLICATION

Return Reference	Explanation
PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 11B	A DETAILED REVIEW WAS CONDUCTED BY THE ORGANIZATION'S PRESIDENT & CEO AND BY THE TREASURER THE FULL BOARD CONDUCTED A FINAL REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE RETURN PRIOR TO FILING

Return Reference	Explanation
PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 12C	<p>Each director, officer, key employee and member of a committee with board delegated powers shall complete and sign a conflicts of interest policy annual statement at the time of his or her initial election or appointment and annually thereafter. An interested person may make a presentation at the board or committee meeting regarding the proposed transaction or arrangement, but after such presentation, the interested person shall leave the meeting during the discussion of, and the vote on, the proposed transaction or arrangement that results in the conflict of interest. Additionally (1) the chairperson of the board (or committee) shall, if appropriate, appoint a disinterested person or committee to investigate alternatives to the proposed transaction or arrangement (2) after exercising due diligence, the board (or committee) shall determine whether the organization can obtain a more advantageous transaction or arrangement with reasonable efforts from a person or entity that would not give rise to a conflict of interest (3) If a more advantageous transaction or arrangement is not reasonably attainable under the circumstances that would not give rise to a conflict of interest, the board (or committee) shall determine by a majority vote of the disinterested directors (or committee members), whether the transaction or arrangement is in the organization's best interest and for its own benefit and whether the transaction is fair and reasonable to the organization and shall make its decision as to whether to enter into the transaction or arrangement in conformity with such determination. Detailed minutes of board or committee meetings are maintained to document all such situations.</p>

Return Reference	Explanation
PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 15A	<p>The executive committee sets compensation for the president & CEO The executive committee uses the following procedures to set the compensation of the president & CEO (1) for the purpose of setting the president & CEOs compensation, the executive committee shall be made up entirely of individuals who do not have a conflict of interest with respect to the compensation arrangement (2) the executive committee obtains and relies upon appropriate data as to comparability prior to making its determination regarding the compensation of the president & CEO Appropriate comparability data includes compensation levels paid by organizations of similar size and complexity nationally, regionally and locally, and current compensation surveys Detailed documents are maintained of all deliberations and decisions The process of determining the compensation of the president & CEO last included review and approval by independent persons, comparability data and contemporaneous substantiation in 2015 The executive committee delegates to the president & CEO the authority to set compensation for other executives</p>

Return Reference	Explanation
PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 19	The organization does not make its governing documents or conflict of interest policy available to the public The organizations financial statements are made available to the public through the Minnesota Attorney Generals office

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990 PART IX LINE 11G	DESCRIPTION OTHER PROFESSIONAL FEES TOTAL FEES 1105560