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345 Seventh Avenue, 8th FL
New York, NY 10001
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October 13, 2010

Chelsea Opera Inc
Po Box 277
New York, NY 10113-0277

Chelsea Opera Inc:

Enclosed are the original and one copy of the 2009 Exempt
Organization returns, as follows...

2009 FORM 990

2009 NEW YORK ANNUAL FILING FOR CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS

Each original should be dated, signed and filed in accordance
with the filing instructions. The copy should be retained
for your files.

Very truly yours,

Terry Bernstein

TAX RETURN FILING INSTRUCTIONS

FORM 990

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

..... July 31, 2010

Prepared for	Chelsea Opera Inc Po Box 277 New York, NY 10113-0277
Prepared by	Bernstein and Associates 345 Seventh Avenue, 8th FL New York, NY 10001 212-947-2000
Amount due or refund	Not applicable
Make check payable to	Not applicable
Mail tax return and check (if applicable) to	Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Center Ogden, UT 84201-0027
Return must be mailed on or before	December 15, 2010
Special Instructions	The return should be signed and dated.

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

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

A For the 2009 calendar year, or tax year beginning **AUG 1, 2009** **and ending** **JUL 31, 2010**

B Check if applicable: <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Terminated <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	Please use IRS label or print or type. See Specific Instructions.	C Name of organization CHELSEA OPERA INC Doing Business As Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite PO BOX 277 City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4 NEW YORK, NY 10113-0277	D Employer identification number 20-1965815
		F Name and address of principal officer: LYNNE HAYDEN-FINDLAY 521 EAST 14 ST APT 1C, NEW YORK, NY 10009	E Telephone number 212-260-1794
		I Tax-exempt status: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c) (3) ◀ (insert no.) <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or <input type="checkbox"/> 527	G Gross receipts \$ 68894.
		J Website: ▶ CHELSEAOPERA.ORG	H(a) Is this a group return for affiliates? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No H(b) Are all affiliates included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If "No," attach a list. (see instructions)
		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: 2004 M State of legal domicile: NY

Part I Summary					
Activities & Governance	1	Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: <u>OPERA PRODUCTIONS AND CONCERTS</u>			
	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	3	3
	4	Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	0	0
	5	Total number of employees (Part V, line 2a)	5	0	0
	6	Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	25	25
	7a	Total gross unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a	0.	0.
b	Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	7b	0.	0.	
Revenue	8	Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	Prior Year 34626.	Current Year 36903.	36903.
	9	Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	24775.	31946.	31946.
	10	Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	10.	45.	45.
	11	Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)			
	12	Total revenue - add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	59411.	68894.	68894.
Expenses	13	Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)			
	14	Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)			
	15	Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)			
	16a	Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)			
	b	Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶ <u>1386.</u>			
17	Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24f)	49767.	55413.	55413.	
18	Total expenses. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	49767.	55413.	55413.	
19	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	9644.	13481.	13481.	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	20	Total assets (Part X, line 16)	Beginning of Current Year 10022.	End of Year 23503.	23503.
	21	Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)			
	22	Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	10022.	23503.	23503.

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	Signature of officer LYNNE HAYDEN-FINDLAY, PRES.-TREASURER Type or print name and title	Date		
Paid Preparer's Use Only	Preparer's signature ▶ Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4 BERNSTEIN AND ASSOCIATES 205 LEXINGTON AVENUE, 17TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10016	Date	Check if self-employed <input type="checkbox"/>	Preparer's identifying number (see instructions) EIN ▶ Phone no. ▶ 646-278-9107

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

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission: SEE SCHEDULE O FOR CONTINUATION
CHELSEA OPERA IS A PROFESSIONAL COMPANY PRESENTING FULLY STAGED OPERAS WITH CHAMBER ORCHESTRA. MODEST IN SCALE YET OFFERING THE HIGHEST ARTISTIC VALUES, CHELSEA OPERA OPERATES IN AN INTIMATE PERFORMANCE SPACE IN A LANDMARK VENUE IN THE CHELSEA DISTRICT OF NEW YORK CITY

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 [X]
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 [X]
If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O.

4 Describe the exempt purpose achievements for each of the organization's three largest program services by expenses. Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) trusts are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported.

4a (Code:) (Expenses \$ 19302. including grants of \$ 8675.) (Revenue \$ 9273.)
AM AHL AND THE NIGHT VISITORS: IN OUR THIRD PRODUCTION OF THIS BELOVED CLASSIC, WE UPDATED THE SETTING TO MAKE THE STORY MORE RELEVANT AND COMPELLING TO MODERN, URBAN AUDIENCES, RECEIVING STRONG POSITIVE COMMENTS FROM ALL WHO ATTENDED. WE SUCCESSFULLY PARTNERED WITH GOOD SHEPHERD SERVICES TO INTRODUCE 30 UNDERPRIVILEGED STUDENTS FROM RED HOOK BROOKLYN TO OPERA, HELP THEM LEARN ABOUT CAREERS IN THEATER, AND GUIDE THEM IN PAINTING CARDBOARD APARTMENT HOUSE WHICH BECAME AN INTEGRAL PART OF THE PRODUCTION SET. ANOTHER GROUP OF 20 STUDENTS FROM PS 20 LEARNED ABOUT THE OPERA AND THEN PAINTED THEIR IMPRESSIONS OF THE STORY. TWO OF THESE PAINTINGS BECAME THE FRONT AND BACK COVERS OF THE OPERAS PROGRAM.

4b (Code:) (Expenses \$ 25096. including grants of \$ 5425.) (Revenue \$ 13396.)
LE NOZZE DI FIGARO: ONE OF THE LONGEST OPERAS IN THE ITALIAN TRADITION, AN EXTRA WEEKS REHEARSAL WAS ADDED TO ENSURE THAT RECITATIVES WERE FLUID AND CLEAR, AND THAT THE ARIAS AND ENSEMBLES EMERGED FROM THE STAGING AS A DIRECT RESULT OF CHARACTERIZATION. WE CHOSE TO SET THE ACTION IN 1930 PRE-FASCIST SPAIN THAT ALMOST DUPLICATES THE SOCIO/ECONOMIC/POLITICAL PROFILE OF 1780S EUROPE. AUDIENCE REACTION WAS VERY STRONG: EACH TIME WE SEE A CHELSEA PRODUCTION IT GETS BETTER. BRAVO! AND THE PERFORMANCE WAS SENSATIONAL. WHAT SPLENDID VOICES AND TALENTED ACTORS YOU HAVE ASSEMBLED! ALL BUT THREE SMALL ROLES WERE DOUBLE CAST WITH SEVERAL ARTISTS AMONG THE SINGERS AND THE ORCHESTRA RETURNING. A FORMER PRODUCTION INTERN WAS HIRED AS THE PRODUCTION STAGE MANAGER.

4c (Code:) (Expenses \$ 3103. including grants of \$ 1000.) (Revenue \$ 7777.)
CHELSEA OPERA PRESENTS: THE SERIES PROVIDES ARTISTS WITH A CHANCE TO BE HEARD AT NO COST WITH THE ARTISTIC AND FINANCIAL SUPPORT OF A PROFESSIONAL COMPANY. THEMATICALLY BASED AND DESIGNED TO COMPLEMENT MAINSTAGE EVENTS WHILE KEEPING IT VISIBLE, PROGRAMS OFFER AN OPPORTUNITY TO PRESENT EXCERPTS FROM OPERAS THAT ARE NOT POSSIBLE TO STAGE. THESE CONCERTS FEATURED THE CHELSEA OPERA CHAMBER ORCHESTRA IN VOCAL AND INSTRUMENTAL ENSEMBLES, GERMAN OPERA AND OPERETTA, FAMILIAR AND UNFAMILIAR OPERAS BASED ON THE WORKS OF SHAKESPEARE. AN UNEXPECTED 4TH CONCERT FEATURED THE WORKS OF TERRY QUINN, GARY FAGIN AND STEPHEN PAULUS. THIS COLLABORATION LED TO FURTHER CONVERSATIONS ABOUT COMMISSIONING AN OPERA FROM THE PAULUS/QUINN TEAM. THE CONCERT SERIES BECAME INCREASINGLY POPULAR AND REACHED NEAR SOLD-OUT STATUS.

4d Other program services. (Describe in Schedule O.)
(Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4e Total program service expenses \$ 47501.

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)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule A</i>	X	
2	Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors?	X	
3	Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I</i>		X
4	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II</i>		X
5	Section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), and 501(c)(6) organizations. Is the organization subject to the section 6033(e) notice and reporting requirement and proxy tax? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III</i>		X
6	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts where donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I</i>		X
7	Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II</i>		X
8	Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III</i>		X
9	Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21; serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X; or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV</i>		X
10	Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in term, permanent, or quasi-endowments? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V</i>		X
11	Is the organization's answer to any of the following questions "Yes"? <i>If so, complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable</i>	X	
	• Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI.</i>		
	• 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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII.</i>		
	• 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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII.</i>		
	• 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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX.</i>		
	• Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X.</i>		
	• 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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X.</i>		
12	Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII.</i>		X
12A	Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," completing Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII is optional</i>	Yes	No
			X
13	Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule E</i>		X
14a	Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?		X
14b	Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, and program service activities outside the United States? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part I</i>		X
15	Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or assistance to any organization or entity located outside the United States? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part II</i>		X
16	Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or assistance to individuals located outside the United States? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part III</i>		X
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I</i>		X
18	Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II</i>		X
19	Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III</i>		X
20	Did the organization operate one or more hospitals? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule H</i>		X

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

	Yes	No
21 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants and other assistance to governments and organizations in the United States on Part IX, column (A), line 1? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II</i>		X
22 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants and other assistance to individuals in the United States on Part IX, column (A), line 2? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III</i>		X
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>		X
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 25</i>		X
b Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?		
c Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?		
d Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?		
25a Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>		X
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>		X
26 Was a loan to or by a current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, highly compensated employee, or disqualified person outstanding as of the end of the organization's tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II</i>		X
27 Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor, or a grant selection committee member, or to a person related to such an individual? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III</i>		X
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>	X	
b A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		X
c An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee of the organization (or a family member) was an officer, director, trustee, or direct or indirect owner? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		X
29 Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>		X
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>		X
31 Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I</i>		X
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>		X
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>		X
34 Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Parts II, III, IV, and V, line 1</i>		X
35 Is any related organization a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>		X
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>		X
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>		X
38 Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11 and 19?	X	

Note. All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O.

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096, Annual Summary and Transmittal of U.S. Information Returns. Enter -0- if not applicable		
	1a 0		
b	Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable		
	1b 0		
c	Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?		X
	1c		
2a	Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return		
	2a 0		
b	If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns? Note. If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file this return. (see instructions)		
	2b		
3a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year covered by this return?		X
	3a		
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O		
	3b		
4a	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority over, a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?		X
	4a		
b	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: _____ See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts.		
	4b		
5a	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?		X
	5a		
b	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?		X
	5b		
c	If "Yes," to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T, Disclosure by Tax-Exempt Entity Regarding Prohibited Tax Shelter Transaction?		
	5c		
6a	Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than \$100,000, and did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible?		X
	6a		
b	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?		
	6b		
7 Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).			
a	Did the organization receive a payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods and services provided to the payor?		X
	7a		
b	If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?		
	7b		
c	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?		X
	7c		
d	If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year		
	7d		
e	Did the organization, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?		X
	7e		
f	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?		X
	7f		
g	For all contributions of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?		X
	7g		
h	For contributions of cars, boats, airplanes, and other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C as required?		X
	7h		
8 Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds and section 509(a)(3) supporting organizations.	Did the supporting organization, or a donor advised fund maintained by a sponsoring organization, have excess business holdings at any time during the year?		X
	8		
9 Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.			
a	Did the organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?		X
	9a		
b	Did the organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?		X
	9b		
10 Section 501(c)(7) organizations.	Enter:		
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12	10a	
b	Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities	10b	
11 Section 501(c)(12) organizations.	Enter:		
a	Gross income from members or shareholders	11a	
b	Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.)	11b	
12a Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts.	Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?	12a	
b	If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year	12b	

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

Section A. Governing Body and Management

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body		
	1a 3		
b	Enter the number of voting members that are independent		
	1b 0		
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?		X
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?		X
4	Did the organization make any significant changes to its organizational documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?		X
5	Did the organization become aware during the year of a material diversion of the organization's assets?		X
6	Does the organization have members or stockholders?		X
7a	Does the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who may elect one or more members of the governing body?		X
b	Are any decisions of the governing body subject to approval by members, stockholders, or other persons?		X
7b			
8	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:		
a	The governing body?	X	
8a			
b	Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	X	
8b			
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		X

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

		Yes	No
10a	Does the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?		X
b	If "Yes," does the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with those of the organization?		
10b			
11	Has the organization provided a copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?	X	
11A	Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990.		
12a	Does the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13		X
b	Are officers, directors or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?		
12b			
c	Does the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this is done		
12c			
13	Does the organization have a written whistleblower policy?		X
14	Does the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?		X
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		X
15a			
b	Other officers or key employees of the organization		X
15b			
	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?		X
b	If "Yes," has the organization adopted a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and taken 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 **NY**
- 18** Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you make these available. Check all that apply.
 Own website Another's website Upon request
- 19** Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how), the organization makes its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public.
- 20** State the name, physical address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the books and records of the organization: **LYNNE HAYDEN-FINDLAY - 212-260-1794**
521 EAST 14TH STREET APT 1C, NEW YORK, NY 10009

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

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. Use Schedule J-2 if additional space is needed.

• 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. See instructions for definition of "key employee."

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

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

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

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

Check this box if the organization did not compensate any current officer, director, or trustee.

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week	(C) Position (check all that apply)						(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			
LYNNE HAYDEN-FINDLAY PRES. - TREASURER	30.00	X						0.	0.	0.
LEONARDA PRIORE VP-SEC.	30.00	X						0.	0.	0.
LARRY F. BEERS VP	10.00	X						0.	0.	0.

Part VIII Statement of Revenue		(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512, 513, or 514	
Contributions, gifts, grants and other similar amounts	1 a Federated campaigns	1a				
	b Membership dues	1b				
	c Fundraising events	1c	950.			
	d Related organizations	1d				
	e Government grants (contributions)	1e	7350.			
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f	28603.			
	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f: \$					
	h Total. Add lines 1a-1f		36903.			
	Program Service Revenue	2 a TICKET SALES	Business Code 711300	30446.	30446.	
b SINGER FEES		711300	1050.		1050.	
c HONORARIUM		711300	450.		450.	
d						
e						
f All other program service revenue						
g Total. Add lines 2a-2f			31946.			
Other Revenue	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)		45.		45.	
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds					
	5 Royalties					
	6 a Gross Rents	(i) Real				
		(ii) Personal				
		b Less: rental expenses				
		c Rental income or (loss)				
	d Net rental income or (loss)					
	7 a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities				
		(ii) Other				
		b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses				
		c Gain or (loss)				
	d Net gain or (loss)					
	8 a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ 950. of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18	a	0.			
		b Less: direct expenses	b			
c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events			0.			
9 a Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19	a					
	b Less: direct expenses	b				
	c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities					
10 a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	a					
	b Less: cost of goods sold	b				
	c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory					
Miscellaneous Revenue		Business Code				
11 a						
b						
c						
d All other revenue						
e Total. Add lines 11a-11d						
12 Total revenue. See instructions.		68894.	30446.	0.	1545.	

Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete all columns.

All other organizations must complete column (A) but are not required to complete columns (B), (C), and (D).

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 governments and organizations in the U.S. See Part IV, line 21				
2 Grants and other assistance to individuals in the U.S. See Part IV, line 22				
3 Grants and other assistance to governments, organizations, and individuals outside the U.S. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16				
4 Benefits paid to or for members				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees				
6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)				
7 Other salaries and wages				
8 Pension plan contributions (include section 401(k) and section 403(b) employer contributions)				
9 Other employee benefits				
10 Payroll taxes				
11 Fees for services (non-employees):				
a Management				
b Legal				
c Accounting				
d Lobbying				
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17				
f Investment management fees				
g Other				
12 Advertising and promotion				
13 Office expenses	2954.		2003.	951.
14 Information technology				
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy				
17 Travel	267.		267.	
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings				
20 Interest				
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization				
23 Insurance	1148.		1148.	
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above. (Expenses grouped together and labeled miscellaneous may not exceed 5% of total expenses shown on line 25 below.)				
a PRODUCTION EXPENSE	47501.	47501.		
b STORAGE RENTAL	1439.		1439.	
c SINGER FEES	700.		700.	
d MEMBERSHIPS	595.		595.	
e TICKETS PURCHASED	435.			435.
f All other expenses	374.		374.	
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24f	55413.	47501.	6526.	1386.
26 Joint costs. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation ...				

Part X Balance Sheet

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
Assets	1 Cash - non-interest-bearing	10022.	1	23503.
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments		2	
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net		3	
	4 Accounts receivable, net		4	
	5 Receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees. Complete Part II of Schedule L		5	
	6 Receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B). Complete Part II of Schedule L		6	
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net		7	
	8 Inventories for sale or use		8	
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges		9	
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a		
	b Less: accumulated depreciation	10b		10c
	11 Investments - publicly traded securities		11	
	12 Investments - other securities. See Part IV, line 11		12	
	13 Investments - program-related. See Part IV, line 11		13	
	14 Intangible assets		14	
	15 Other assets. See Part IV, line 11		15	
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)		10022.	16	23503.
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses		17	
	18 Grants payable		18	
	19 Deferred revenue		19	
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities		20	
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D		21	
	22 Payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons. Complete Part II of Schedule L		22	
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties		23	
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties		24	
25 Other liabilities. Complete Part X of Schedule D		25		
26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25		0.	26	0.
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.			
	27 Unrestricted net assets		27	
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets		28	
	29 Permanently restricted net assets		29	
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34.			
	30 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds	0.	30	0.
	31 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund	0.	31	0.
	32 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds	10022.	32	23503.
33 Total net assets or fund balances	10022.	33	23503.	
34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	10022.	34	23503.	

Part XI Financial Statements and Reporting

1 Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990: Cash Accrual Other _____

If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O.

2a Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant?

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

c If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant?

If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O.

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

Separate basis Consolidated basis Both consolidated and separate basis

3a As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?

b If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits.

	Yes	No
2a		X
2b		X
2c		
3a		X
3b		

Form **990** (2009)

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Public Charity Status and Public Support

Complete if the organization is a section 501(c)(3) organization or a section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust.
▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ. ▶ See separate instructions.

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Open to Public Inspection

Name of the organization **CHELSEA OPERA INC** Employer identification number **20-1965815**

Part I Reason for Public Charity Status (All organizations must complete this part.) See instructions.

The organization is not a private foundation because it is: (For lines 1 through 11, check only one box.)

- 1 A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i)**.
- 2 A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)**. (Attach Schedule E.)
- 3 A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**.
- 4 A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**. Enter the hospital's name, city, and state: _____
- 5 An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 6 A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(v)**.
- 7 An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 8 A community trust described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 9 An organization that normally receives: (1) more than 33 1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions - subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33 1/3% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975. See **section 509(a)(2)**. (Complete Part III.)
- 10 An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety. See **section 509(a)(4)**.
- 11 An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2). See **section 509(a)(3)**. Check the box that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 11e through 11h.
 - a Type I b Type II c Type III - Functionally integrated d Type III - Other
- e By checking this box, I certify that the organization is not controlled directly or indirectly by one or more disqualified persons other than foundation managers and other than one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2).
- f If the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, or Type III supporting organization, check this box
- g Since August 17, 2006, has the organization accepted any gift or contribution from any of the following persons?

	Yes	No
(i) A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in (ii) and (iii) below, the governing body of the supported organization?	11g(i)	
(ii) A family member of a person described in (i) above?	11g(ii)	
(iii) A 35% controlled entity of a person described in (i) or (ii) above?	11g(iii)	
- h Provide the following information about the supported organization(s).

(i) Name of supported organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1-9 above or IRC section (see instructions))	(iv) Is the organization in col. (i) listed in your governing document?		(v) Did you notify the organization in col. (i) of your support?		(vi) Is the organization in col. (i) organized in the U.S.?		(vii) Amount of support
			Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	
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.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) 2009	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")	28901.	29629.	31945.	34626.		125101.
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3	28901.	29629.	31945.	34626.		125101.
5 The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f)						
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4.						125101.

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) 2009	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4	28901.	29629.	31945.	34626.		125101.
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	103.	146.	145.	10.		404.
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on	100.	200.	50.			350.
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.)						
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						125855.
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)					12	108899.

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 2009 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	99.40	%
15 Public support percentage from 2008 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	99.21	%

16a 33 1/3% support test - 2009. 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 - 2008. 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 - 2009. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and **stop here.** Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization

b 10% -facts-and-circumstances test - 2008. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and **stop here.** Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization

18 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions

Part III Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Section 509(a)(2) (Complete only if you checked the box on line 9 of Part I.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) 2009	(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) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) 2009	(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 IV.)						
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**

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

15 Public support percentage for 2009 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	15	%
16 Public support percentage from 2008 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	16	%

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2009 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	17	%
18 Investment income percentage from 2008 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	%

19a 33 1/3% support tests - 2009. If the organization did not check the box on line 14, and line 15 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 17 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and **stop here**. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization

b 33 1/3% support tests - 2008. If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 18 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and **stop here**. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization

20 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a, or 19b, check this box and see instructions

Schedule B
(Form 990, 990-EZ,
or 990-PF)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Schedule of Contributors

▶ Attach to Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF.

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Name of the organization

CHELSEA OPERA INC

Employer identification number

20-1965815

Organization type (check one):

Filers of:

Section:

Form 990 or 990-EZ

501(c)(3) (enter number) organization

4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust **not** treated as a private foundation

527 political organization

Form 990-PF

501(c)(3) exempt private foundation

4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust treated as a private foundation

501(c)(3) taxable private foundation

Check if your organization is covered by the **General Rule** or a **Special Rule**.

Note. Only a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization can check boxes for both the General Rule and a Special Rule. See instructions.

General Rule

For an organization filing Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF that received, during the year, \$5,000 or more (in money or property) from any one contributor. Complete Parts I and II.

Special Rules

For a section 501(c)(3) organization filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that met the 33 1/3% support test of the regulations under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi), and received from any one contributor, during the year, a contribution of the greater of **(1)** \$5,000 or **(2)** 2% of the amount on (i) Form 990, Part VIII, line 1h or (ii) Form 990-EZ, line 1. Complete Parts I and II.

For a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, aggregate contributions of more than \$1,000 for use *exclusively* for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or the prevention of cruelty to children or animals. Complete Parts I, II, and III.

For a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, contributions for use *exclusively* for religious, charitable, etc., purposes, but these contributions did not aggregate to more than \$1,000. If this box is checked, enter here the total contributions that were received during the year for an *exclusively* religious, charitable, etc., purpose. Do not complete any of the parts unless the **General Rule** applies to this organization because it received nonexclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions of \$5,000 or more during the year. ▶ \$ _____

Caution. An organization that is not covered by the General Rule and/or the Special Rules does not file Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF), but it **must** answer "No" on Part IV, line 2 of its Form 990, or check the box on line H of its Form 990-EZ, or on line 2 of its Form 990-PF, to certify that it does not meet the filing requirements of Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).

LHA For Privacy Act and Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF.

Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF) (2009)

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Part I Contributors (see instructions)

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Aggregate contributions	(d) Type of contribution
1	BETTINA BARUCH FOUNDATION 112 MADISON AVENUE, 3RD FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10016-7416	\$ 5000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
_____	_____ _____ _____	\$ _____	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
_____	_____ _____ _____	\$ _____	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
_____	_____ _____ _____	\$ _____	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
_____	_____ _____ _____	\$ _____	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
_____	_____ _____ _____	\$ _____	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
_____	_____ _____ _____	\$ _____	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)

Schedule D
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Financial Statements

▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes," to Form 990,
Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, or 12.

▶ Attach to Form 990. ▶ See separate instructions.

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

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

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

1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply).

<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of land for public use (e.g., recreation or pleasure)	<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of an historically important land area
<input type="checkbox"/> Protection of natural habitat	<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of a certified historic structure
<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of open space	

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.

	Held at the End 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	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? Yes No

6 Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ▶ _____

7 Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ▶ \$ _____

8 Does each conservation easement reported on line 2(d) above satisfy the requirements of section 170(h)(4)(B)(i) and section 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)? Yes No

9 In Part XIV, describe how the organization reports conservation easements in its revenue and expense statement, and balance sheet, and include, if applicable, the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that describes the organization's accounting for conservation easements.

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

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

1a If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116, not to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide, in Part XIV, the text of the footnote to its financial statements that describes these items.

b If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116, to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide the following amounts relating to these items:

(i) Revenues included in Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 ▶ \$ _____

(ii) Assets included in Form 990, Part X ▶ \$ _____

2 If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain, provide the following amounts required to be reported under SFAS 116 relating to these items:

a Revenues included in Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 ▶ \$ _____

b Assets included in Form 990, Part X ▶ \$ _____

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- 3 Using the organization's acquisition, accession, and other records, check any of the following that are a significant use of its collection items (check all that apply):
- a Public exhibition
 - b Scholarly research
 - c Preservation for future generations
 - d Loan or exchange programs
 - e Other _____
- 4 Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIV.
- 5 During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection? Yes No

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

- 1a Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X? Yes No
- b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIV and complete the following table:
- | | Amount |
|---------------------------------|-----------|
| 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? Yes No
- b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIV.

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

	(a) Current year	(b) Prior year	(c) Two years back	(d) Three years back	(e) Four years back
1a Beginning of year balance					
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 year end balance held as:
- a Board designated or quasi-endowment _____ %
 - b Permanent endowment _____ %
 - c Term endowment _____ %
- 3a Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by:
- | | Yes | No |
|---|---------------|----|
| (i) unrelated organizations | 3a(i) | |
| (ii) related organizations | 3a(ii) | |
| b If "Yes" to 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R? | 3b | |
- 4 Describe in Part XIV the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds.

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

Description of investment	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land				
b Buildings				
c Leasehold improvements				
d Equipment				
e Other				
Total. Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c).)				0.

Part XI Reconciliation of Change in Net Assets from Form 990 to Audited Financial Statements		
1	Total revenue (Form 990, Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	68894.
2	Total expenses (Form 990, Part IX, column (A), line 25)	55413.
3	Excess or (deficit) for the year. Subtract line 2 from line 1	13481.
4	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	
5	Donated services and use of facilities	
6	Investment expenses	
7	Prior period adjustments	
8	Other (Describe in Part XIV.)	
9	Total adjustments (net). Add lines 4 through 8	
10	Excess or (deficit) for the year per audited financial statements. Combine lines 3 and 9	13481.

Part XII Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return		
1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements	1
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:	
a	Net unrealized gains on investments	2a
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c
d	Other (Describe in Part XIV.)	2d
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1:	
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a
b	Other (Describe in Part XIV.)	4b
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c
5	Total revenue. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12.)	5

Part XIII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return		
1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	1
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25:	
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a
b	Prior year adjustments	2b
c	Other losses	2c
d	Other (Describe in Part XIV.)	2d
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1:	
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a
b	Other (Describe in Part XIV.)	4b
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c
5	Total expenses. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18.)	5

Part XIV Supplemental Information

Complete this part to provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9; Part III, lines 1a and 4; Part IV, lines 1b and 2b; Part V, line 4; Part X, line 2; Part XI, line 8; Part XII, lines 2d and 4b; and Part XIII, lines 2d and 4b. Also complete this part to provide any additional information.

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Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on
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FORM 990, PART III, LINE 1, DESCRIPTION OF ORGANIZATION MISSION:

PROVIDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR ARTISTS TO ADVANCE THEIR CRAFT IN A

PROFESSIONAL VENUE. THE COMPANY PRODUCES STANDARD, MODERN AND NEW

OPERAS, MAKING THEM ENGAGING, AFFORDABLE AND ACCESSIBLE TO A BROAD

SPECTRUM OF THE COMMUNITY. INTENSELY INTERESTED IN ATTRACTING

FIRST-TIME AUDIENCES, CHELSEA OPERA IS COMMITTED TO OFFERING CREATIVE

PRE-PERFORMANCE PROGRAMS, ADDITIONAL CONCERT SERIES PERFORMANCES, AND

FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN AND YOUTH, STRUCTURED EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH PROGRAMS

COUPLED WITH LIVE PERFORMANCES

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 11: A COPY IS PROVIDED BY EMAIL TO EACH

BOARD MEMBER, TWO OF WHICH CO-SIGN.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 19: A COPY OF THE 990 AND/OR FINANCIAL

STATEMENTS ARE PROVIDED UPON REQUEST. OTHERWISE, THE 990 IS AVAILABLE FROM

THE NYS ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE, CHARITIES REGISTRATION BUREAU. IT CAN

ALSO BE DOWNLOADED FROM NYCHARITIES.ORG, THE FOUNDATION CENTER LIBRARY

WEBSITE, AND CHELSEA OPERA'S WEBSITE.

SCH L, PART IV, BUSINESS TRANSACTIONS INVOLVING INTERESTED PERSONS:

(A) NAME OF PERSON: LYNNE HAYDEN-FINDLAY

(D) DESCRIPTION OF TRANSACTION: MS. HAYDEN-FINDLAY WAS ENGAGED AS A

STAGE DIRECTOR FOR TWO MAINTAGE PRODUCTIONS.

(A) NAME OF PERSON: LEONARDA PRIORE

(D) DESCRIPTION OF TRANSACTION: MS. PRIORE WAS ENGAGED AS A SINGER FOR

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TAX RETURN FILING INSTRUCTIONS

NEW YORK FORM CHAR500, ANNUAL FILING REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

July 31, 2010

Prepared for	Chelsea Opera Inc Po Box 277 New York, NY 10113-0277
Prepared by	Bernstein and Associates 345 Seventh Avenue, 8th FL New York, NY 10001 212-947-2000
Mail tax return to	New York State Department of Law Charities Bureau - Registration Section 120 Broadway New York, NY 10271
Return must be mailed on or before	December 15, 2010
Special Instructions	<p>New York Form CHAR500 must be signed and dated by both of the authorized individuals. Also be sure that the attached copy of federal Form 990 has been properly signed and dated.</p> <p>Enclose a check for \$35 made payable to NYS Department of Law. Include the organization's state registration number(s) on the remittance.</p>

Form CHAR500	Annual Filing for Charitable Organizations New York State Department of Law (Office of the Attorney General) Charities Bureau - Registration Section 120 Broadway New York, NY 10271 http://www.charitiesnys.com	2009
This form used for Article 7-A, EPTL and dual filers (replaces forms CHAR 497, CHAR 010 and CHAR 006)		Open to Public Inspection

1. General Information			
a. For the fiscal year beginning (mm/dd/yyyy) 08/01/2009 and ending (mm/dd/yyyy) 07/31/2010			
b. Check if applicable for NYS: <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial filing <input type="checkbox"/> Final filing <input type="checkbox"/> Amended filing <input type="checkbox"/> NY registration pending	c. Name of organization CHELSEA OPERA INC		d. Fed. employer ID no. (EIN) 20-1965815
	e. NY State registration no. 239248		
	f. Telephone number 212 260-1794		
	g. Email CHELSEAOPERA@AOL.CO		
Number and street (or P.O. box if mail not delivered to street address) PO BOX 277		Room/suite	
City or town, state or country and ZIP + 4 NEW YORK, NY 10113-0277			

2. Certification - Two Signatures Required			
We certify under penalties of perjury that we reviewed this report, including all attachments, and to the best of our knowledge and belief, they are true, correct and complete in accordance with the laws of the State of New York applicable to this report.			
a. President or Authorized Officer	Signature	LEONARDA PRIORE Printed Name	VP-SEC Title PRES. -TREAS Date
b. Chief Financial Officer or Treas.	Signature	LYNNE HAYDEN-FINDLAY Printed Name	URER Title Date

3. Annual Report Exemption Information	
a. Article 7-A annual report exemption (Article 7-A registrants and dual registrants) Check <input type="checkbox"/> if total contributions from NY State (including residents, foundations, corporations, government agencies, etc.) did not exceed \$25,000 and the organization did not engage a professional fund raiser (PFR) or fund raising counsel (FRC) to solicit contributions during this fiscal year. NOTE: An organization may claim this exemption if no PFR or FRC was used and either: 1) it received an allocation from a federated fund, United Way or incorporated community appeal and contributions from other sources did not exceed \$25,000 or 2) it received all or substantially all of its contributions from one government agency to which it submitted an annual report similar to that required by Article 7-A.	
b. EPTL annual report exemption (EPTL registrants and dual registrants) Check <input type="checkbox"/> if gross receipts did not exceed \$25,000 and assets (market value) did not exceed \$25,000 at any time during this fiscal year.	
For EPTL or Article 7-A registrants claiming the annual report exemption under the one law under which they are registered and for dual registrants claiming the annual report exemptions under both laws, simply complete part 1 (General Information), part 2 (Certification) and part 3 (Annual Report Exemption Information) above. Do not submit a fee, do not complete the following schedules and do not submit any attachments to this form.	

4. Article 7-A Schedules	
If you did not check the Article 7-A annual report exemption above, complete the following for this fiscal year:	
a. Did the organization use a professional fund raiser, fund raising counsel or commercial co-venturer for fund raising activity in NY State? ... <input type="checkbox"/> Yes* <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
* If "Yes", complete Schedule 4a.	
b. Did the organization receive government contributions (grants)? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes* <input type="checkbox"/> No	
* If "Yes", complete Schedule 4b.	

5. Fee Submitted: See last page for summary of fee requirements.	
Indicate the filing fee(s) you are submitting along with this form:	
a. Article 7-A filing fee	\$ <u>10.</u>
b. EPTL filing fee	\$ <u>25.</u>
c. Total fee	\$ <u>35.</u>
Submit only one check or money order for the total fee, payable to "NYS Department of Law"	

6. Attachments - For organizations that are not claiming annual report exemptions under both laws, see last page for required attachments ▶▶▶
