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Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

2007

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

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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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

A For the 2007 calendar year, or tax year beginning April 1, 2007, and ending March 31, 2008

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

C Name of organization American Guild of Variety Artists
 Number and street (or P O box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite
 363 Seventh Ave 17th Floor
 City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4
 New York NY 10001

D Employer identification number
13-0431735

E Telephone number
(212)675-1003

F Accounting method Cash Accrual
 Other (specify) ▶

G Website: ▶

J Organization type (check only one) ▶ 501(c) (5) ◀ (insert no) 4947(a)(1) or 527

K Check here if the organization is not a 509(a)(3) supporting organization and its gross receipts are normally not more than \$25,000. A return is not required, but if the organization chooses to file a return, be sure to file a complete return

L Gross receipts Add lines 6b, 8b, 9b, and 10b to line 12 ▶ 623,443

H and I are not applicable to section 527 organizations
H(a) Is this a group return for affiliates? Yes No
H(b) If "Yes," enter number of affiliates ▶
H(c) Are all affiliates included? Yes No
 (If "No," attach a list. See instructions.)
H(d) Is this a separate return filed by an organization covered by a group ruling? Yes No
I Group Exemption Number ▶
M Check if the organization is not required to attach Sch. B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF)

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

Revenue					
1	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received:				
a	Contributions to donor advised funds	1a			
b	Direct public support (not included on line 1a)	1b			
c	Indirect public support (not included on line 1a)	1c			
d	Government contributions (grants) (not included on line 1a)	1d			
e	Total (add lines 1a through 1d) (cash \$ _____ noncash \$ _____)	1e			0
2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts (from Part VII, line 93)	2			0
3	Membership dues and assessments	3			497,230
4	Interest on savings and temporary cash investments	4			963
5	Dividends and interest from securities	5			
6a	Gross rents	6a			
b	Less: rental expenses	6b			
c	Net rental income or (loss). Subtract line 6b from line 6a	6c			0
7	Other investment income (describe ▶)	7			
8a	Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(A) Securities	8a	(B) Other	
b	Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses		8b		
c	Gain or (loss) (attach schedule)	0	8c	0	
d	Net gain or (loss). Combine line 8c, columns (A) and (B)		8d		0
9	Special events and activities (attach schedule) If any amount is from gaming, check here <input type="checkbox"/>				
a	Gross revenue (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1b)	9a			
b	Less: direct expenses other than fundraising expenses	9b			
c	Net income or (loss) from special events. Subtract line 9b from line 9a	9c			0
10a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	10a			
b	Less: cost of goods sold	10b			
c	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (attach schedule) Subtract line 10b from line 10a	10c			0
11	Other revenue (from Part VII, line 103)	11			125,250
12	Total revenue. Add lines 1e, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6c, 7, 8d, 9c, 10c, and 11	12			623,443
Expenses					
13	Program services (from line 44, column (B))	13			0
14	Management and general (from line 44, column (C))	14			513,508
15	Fundraising (from line 44, column (D))	15			0
16	Payments to affiliates (attach schedule)	16			
17	Total expenses. Add lines 16 and 44, column (A)	17			513,508
Net Assets					
18	Excess or (deficit) for the year. Subtract line 17 from line 12	18			109,935
19	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 73, column (A))	19			96,657
20	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (attach explanation)	20			76,457
21	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18, 19, and 20	21			283,049

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Part II Statement of Functional Expenses All organizations must complete column (A). Columns (B), (C), and (D) are required for section 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts but optional for others. (See the instructions.)

<i>Do not include amounts reported on line 6b, 8b, 9b, 10b, or 16 of Part I.</i>		(A) Total	(B) Program services	(C) Management and general	(D) Fundraising
22a	Grants paid from donor advised funds (attach schedule) (cash \$ _____ noncash \$ _____) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>				
22b	Other grants and allocations (attach schedule) (cash \$ _____ noncash \$ _____) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>				
23	Specific assistance to individuals (attach schedule)				
24	Benefits paid to or for members (attach schedule)				
25a	Compensation of current officers, directors, key employees, etc. listed in Part V-A	16,600		16,600	
25b	Compensation of former officers, directors, key employees, etc. listed in Part V-B				
25c	Compensation and other distributions, not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)				
26	Salaries and wages of employees not included on lines 25a, b, and c	193,510		193,510	
27	Pension plan contributions not included on lines 25a, b, and c				
28	Employee benefits not included on lines 25a - 27				
29	Payroll taxes	16,859		16,859	
30	Professional fundraising fees				
31	Accounting fees	3,900		3,900	
32	Legal fees	31,199		31,199	
33	Supplies				
34	Telephone	14,544		14,544	
35	Postage and shipping	11,219		11,219	
36	Occupancy	74,932		74,932	
37	Equipment rental and maintenance	15,443		15,443	
38	Printing and publications	5,198		5,198	
39	Travel	2,959		2,959	
40	Conferences, conventions, and meetings				
41	Interest				
42	Depreciation, depletion, etc. (attach schedule)	2,551		2,551	
43	Other expenses not covered above (itemize):				
a	See schedule	124,594		124,594	
b					
c					
d					
e					
f					
g					
44	Total functional expenses. Add lines 22a through 43g (Organizations completing columns (B)-(D), carry these totals to lines 13-15)	513,508	0	513,508	0

Joint Costs. Check if you are following SOP 98-2
 Are any joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation reported in (B) Program services? Yes No
 If "Yes," enter (i) the aggregate amount of these joint costs \$ _____, (ii) the amount allocated to Program services \$ _____,
 (iii) the amount allocated to Management and general \$ _____, and (iv) the amount allocated to Fundraising \$ _____

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments (See the instructions.)

Form 990 is available for public inspection and, for some people, serves as the primary or sole source of information about a particular organization. How the public perceives an organization in such cases may be determined by the information presented on its return. Therefore, please make sure the return is complete and accurate and fully describes, in Part III, the organization's programs and accomplishments.

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose? ▶ <u>Governing body that negotiates contracts for members</u> All organizations must describe their exempt purpose achievements in a clear and concise manner. State the number of clients served, publications issued, etc. Discuss achievements that are not measurable. (Section 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must also enter the amount of grants and allocations to others.)	Program Service Expenses <small>(Required for 501(c)(3) and (4) orgs, and 4947(a)(1) trusts, but optional for others)</small>
a <u>Negotiating contracts for members for fair wages and benefits</u> (Grants and allocations \$ _____) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	
b (Grants and allocations \$ _____) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	
c (Grants and allocations \$ _____) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	
d (Grants and allocations \$ _____) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	
e <u>Other program services (attach schedule)</u> (Grants and allocations \$ _____) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	
f Total of Program Service Expenses (should equal line 44, column (B), Program services). . . . ▶	0

Part IV Balance Sheets (See the instructions.)

Note: Where required, attached schedules and amounts within the description column should be for end-of-year amounts only

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
Assets	45 Cash—non-interest-bearing	354,709	45	454,384
	46 Savings and temporary cash investments		46	22,336
	47a Accounts receivable	47a		
	b Less: allowance for doubtful accounts	47b		47c 0
	48a Pledges receivable	48a		
	b Less: allowance for doubtful accounts	48b		48c 0
	49 Grants receivable		49	
	50a Receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, and key employees (attach schedule)		50a	
	b Receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B) (attach schedule)		50b	
	51a Other notes and loans receivable (attach schedule)	51a		
	b Less allowance for doubtful accounts	51b		51c 0
	52 Inventories for sale or use		52	
	53 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	9,640	53	9,640
	54a Investments—publicly-traded securities <input type="checkbox"/> Cost <input type="checkbox"/> FMV		54a	
	b Investments—other securities (attach schedule) <input type="checkbox"/> Cost <input type="checkbox"/> FMV		54b	
	55a Investments—land, buildings, and equipment: basis	55a		
	b Less: accumulated depreciation (attach schedule)	55b		55c 0
	56 Investments—other (attach schedule)		56	
	57a Land, buildings, and equipment, basis	57a 126,041		
b Less: accumulated depreciation (attach schedule)	57b 121,029		57c 5,012	
58 Other assets, including program-related investments (describe ► SEE SCHEDULE ATTACHED)	401,270	58	460,066	
59 Total assets (must equal line 74) Add lines 45 through 58	765,619	59	951,438	
Liabilities	60 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	40,695	60	49,095
	61 Grants payable		61	
	62 Deferred revenue		62	
	63 Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and key employees (attach schedule)		63	
	64a Tax-exempt bond liabilities (attach schedule)		64a	
	b Mortgages and other notes payable (attach schedule)		64b	
	65 Other liabilities (describe ►)	628,267	65	619,294
	66 Total liabilities. Add lines 60 through 65	668,962	66	668,389
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 67 through 69 and lines 73 and 74			
	67 Unrestricted	96,657	67	283,049
	68 Temporarily restricted		68	
	69 Permanently restricted		69	
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 70 through 74			
	70 Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds		70	
	71 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, and equipment fund		71	
	72 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		72	
73 Total net assets or fund balances. Add lines 67 through 69 or lines 70 through 72 (Column (A) must equal line 19 and column (B) must equal line 21)	96,657	73	283,049	
74 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances. Add lines 66 and 73	765,619	74	951,438	

Part VI Other Information (continued)

		Yes	No
82a	Did the organization receive donated services or the use of materials, equipment, or facilities at no charge or at substantially less than fair rental value?		X
b	If "Yes," you may indicate the value of these items here. Do not include this amount as revenue in Part I or as an expense in Part II. (See instructions in Part III.)		
	82b _____		
83a	Did the organization comply with the public inspection requirements for returns and exemption applications?	X	
b	Did the organization comply with the disclosure requirements relating to <i>quid pro quo</i> contributions?	X	
84a	Did the organization solicit any contributions or gifts that were not tax deductible?		X
b	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?		
84b			
85a	501(c)(4), (5), or (6). Were substantially all dues nondeductible by members?		X
b	Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less? If "Yes" was answered to either 85a or 85b, do not complete 85c through 85h below unless the organization received a waiver for proxy tax owed for the prior year.	X	
c	Dues, assessments, and similar amounts from members	85c _____	
d	Section 162(e) lobbying and political expenditures	85d _____	
e	Aggregate nondeductible amount of section 6033(e)(1)(A) dues notices	85e _____	
f	Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures (line 85d less 85e)	85f _____	
g	Does the organization elect to pay the section 6033(e) tax on the amount on line 85f?	85g _____	
h	If section 6033(e)(1)(A) dues notices were sent, does the organization agree to add the amount on line 85f to its reasonable estimate of dues allocable to nondeductible lobbying and political expenditures for the following tax year?	85h _____	
86	501(c)(7) orgs. Enter a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 12.	86a _____	
b	Gross receipts, included on line 12, for public use of club facilities	86b _____	
87	501(c)(12) orgs. Enter a Gross income from members or shareholders	87a _____	
b	Gross income from other sources. (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.)	87b _____	
88a	At any time during the year, did the organization own a 50% or greater interest in a taxable corporation or partnership, or an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? If "Yes," complete Part IX.	88a _____	X
b	At any time during the year, did the organization, directly or indirectly, own a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," complete Part XI	88b _____	X
89a	501(c)(3) organizations. Enter: Amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under: section 4911 ▶ _____; section 4912 ▶ _____; section 4955 ▶ _____		
b	501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) orgs. Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year or did it become aware of an excess benefit transaction from a prior year? If "Yes," attach a statement explaining each transaction	89b _____	
c	Enter Amount of tax imposed on the organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958	▶ _____	
d	Enter Amount of tax on line 89c, above, reimbursed by the organization	▶ _____	
e	All organizations. At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?	89e _____	
f	All organizations. Did the organization acquire a direct or indirect interest in any applicable insurance contract?	89f _____	
g	For supporting organizations and sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds. Did the supporting organization, or a fund maintained by a sponsoring organization, have excess business holdings at any time during the year?	89g _____	
90a	List the states with which a copy of this return is filed ▶ _____		
b	Number of employees employed in the pay period that includes March 12, 2007 (See instructions.)	90b _____	6
91a	The books are in care of ▶ <u>Susanne Doris</u> Telephone no. ▶ <u>(212)675-1003</u> Located at ▶ <u>363 Seventh Avenue New York NY</u> ZIP + 4 ▶ <u>10001</u>		
b	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country ▶ <u>CA</u> See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1 , Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts.	91b _____	X
		Yes	No

Part VI Other Information (continued)

Yes No

- c At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside of the United States? **91c** Yes No
 If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country ▶
- 92** Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041—Check here
 and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year ▶ | **92** |

Part VII Analysis of Income-Producing Activities (See the instructions.)

Note: Enter gross amounts unless otherwise indicated.

	Unrelated business income		Excluded by section 512, 513, or 514		(E) Related or exempt function income
	(A) Business code	(B) Amount	(C) Exclusion code	(D) Amount	
93 Program service revenue:					
a _____					
b _____					
c _____					
d _____					
e _____					
f Medicare/Medicaid payments					
g Fees and contracts from government agencies					
94 Membership dues and assessments					497,230
95 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments			14	963	
96 Dividends and interest from securities					
97 Net rental income or (loss) from real estate:					
a debt-financed property					
b not debt-financed property					
98 Net rental income or (loss) from personal property					
99 Other investment income					
100 Gain or (loss) from sales of assets other than inventory					
101 Net income or (loss) from special events					
102 Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory					
103 Other revenue: a _____					
b Immigration Visa review fees					120,800
c miscellaneous					4,450
d _____					
e _____					
104 Subtotal (add columns (B), (D), and (E))		0		963	622,480
105 Total (add line 104, columns (B), (D), and (E))					623,443

Note: Line 105 plus line 1e, Part I, should equal the amount on line 12, Part I

Part VIII Relationship of Activities to the Accomplishment of Exempt Purposes (See the instructions.)

Line No.	Explain how each activity for which income is reported in column (E) of Part VII contributed importantly to the accomplishment of the organization's exempt purposes (other than by providing funds for such purposes)
94	Membership dues and other receipts allow for the company to assist in negotiating contracts for
104 b	its members for a fair wage and benefit package

Part IX Information Regarding Taxable Subsidiaries and Disregarded Entities (See the instructions.)

(A) Name, address, and EIN of corporation, partnership, or disregarded entity	(B) Percentage of ownership interest	(C) Nature of activities	(D) Total income	(E) End-of-year assets
	%			
	%			
	%			
	%			

Part X Information Regarding Transfers Associated with Personal Benefit Contracts (See the instructions.)

- (a) Did the organization, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract? Yes No
- (b) Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract? Yes No

Note: If "Yes" to (b), file Form 8870 and Form 4720 (see instructions)

Part XI Information Regarding Transfers To and From Controlled Entities. Complete only if the organization is a controlling organization as defined in section 512(b)(13).

106 Did the reporting organization **make** any transfers to a controlled entity as defined in section 512(b)(13) of the Code? If "Yes," complete the schedule below for each controlled entity.

	(A) Name, address, of each controlled entity	(B) Employer Identification Number	(C) Description of transfer	(D) Amount of transfer
a			
b			
c			
Totals				

107 Did the reporting organization **receive** any transfers from a controlled entity as defined in section 512(b)(13) of the Code? If "Yes," complete the schedule below for each controlled entity.

	(A) Name, address, of each controlled entity	(B) Employer Identification Number	(C) Description of transfer	(D) Amount of transfer
a			
b			
c			
Totals				

108 Did the organization have a binding written contract in effect on August 17, 2006, covering the interest, rents, royalties, and annuities described in question 107 above?

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.

Please Sign Here

Signature of officer: Suzanne K. Doris Date: 11 FEBRUARY 2009

Type or print name and title: SUZANNE K. DORIS EXECUTIVE SEC-TREAS. AGVA

Paid Preparer's Use Only

Preparer's signature: [Signature] Date: 2.17.09 Check if self-employed:

Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4: Soleway, Goldstein, Silverstein & Co. PC Preparer's SSN or PTIN (See Gen. Inst. X): P00011393

EIN: _____ Phone no: _____

Soleway, Goldstein, Silverstein & Co. PC
 275 Madison Ave - Suite 1305
 New York, N.Y. 10016
 13-3920818

Attachment to 2007 Form 990
Part V-A - Compensation Explanation

Name of Organization: American Guild of Variety Artists

EIN: 13-0431735

Name	Explanation
Rod Mckuen	Per diem fees
Frances Gaar	Per diem fees

American Guild Variety Artists
Form 990 – Year Ended March 31, 2008
ID# 13-0431735

Part I - Line 20 – Other Changes in Net Assets

Increase in receivable from affiliated organization	\$81,513
Write off of cash account closed in previous year	(5,054)
	<u>\$76,459</u>

Part II - Line 43 – Other Expenses

Outside Services	\$ 10,750
Per Capita Expense	13,812
Office Expenses	41,452
Processing fees	33,166
Insurance	6,078
Bank charges	5,567
Storage	410
Dues and Subscriptions	774
Miscellaneous	3,648
Utilities	<u>8,937</u>
	<u>\$124,594</u>

Part IV - Line 58 – Other Assets

	<u>March 31, 2007</u>	<u>March 31, 2008</u>
Accrued Interest Receivable	\$ 3,448	\$ -0-
Assets held as fiscal agent for others	304,702	295,729
Miscellaneous	4,127	-0-
Due from affiliated organizations	<u>88,993</u>	<u>164,337</u>
	<u>\$401,270</u>	<u>\$460,066</u>

Part IV - Line 65 – Other Liabilities

	<u>March 31, 2007</u>	<u>March 31, 2008</u>
Bond Security Deposit Payable	\$573,435	\$564,462
Deferred Revenue	<u>54,832</u>	<u>54,832</u>
	<u>\$628,267</u>	<u>\$619,294</u>