

Form 990

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

OMB No 1545-0047

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

2008

Open to Public Inspection

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 2008 calendar year, or tax year beginning 01-01-2008 and ending 12-31-2008

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

Please use IRS label or print or type. See Specific Instructions.

C Name of organization: COUNTRY MUSIC FOUNDATION INC. Doing Business As: country music hall of fame and museu. Address: 222 FIFTH AVE SOUTH, NASHVILLE, TN 37203

D Employer identification number: 62-0753887. E Telephone number: (615) 416-2043. G Gross receipts \$ 13,149,761

F Name and address of Principal Officer: kyle young, 222 fifth ave south, nashville, TN 37203

H(a) Is this a group return for affiliates? No. H(b) Are all affiliates included? No. H(c) Group Exemption Number

I Tax-exempt status: 501(c)(3)

J Web site: WWW.countrymusicHALLOFFAME.com

K Type of organization: Corporation

L Year of Formation: 1964. M State of legal domicile: TN

Part I Summary

Table with 3 columns: Description, Prior Year, Current Year. Rows include: 1-6 Activities & Governance, 7a-b Revenue, 8-12 Revenue, 13-19 Expenses, 20-22 Net Assets or Fund Balances.

Part II Signature Block

Please Sign Here: Declaration of preparer, Signature of officer (nina hammontree), Date (2009-10-12)

Paid Preparer's Use Only: Preparer's signature (Mark E Follis CPA), Date (2009-10-15), Firm's name (DEMPSEY VANTREASE & FOLLIS PLLC), Address (630 S CHURCH ST STE 300, MURFREESBORO, TN 37130)

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? Yes No

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

**1** Briefly describe the organization's mission

See Additional Data Table

**2** Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ?  Yes  No  
 If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O

**3** Did the organization cease conducting or make significant changes in how it conducts any program services?  Yes  No  
 If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O

**4** Describe the exempt purpose achievements for each of the organization's three largest program services by expenses. Section 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations and 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 \$ 9,227,905 including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ 5,860,002 )  
 the museum provides an authentic, object-based learning experience that examines the history of country and related southern vernacular music the museum experience is extended through a range of high-quality, free-choice learning opportunities including interpretive programs such as immersion in the sounds of music through historic reissue recordings and/or live performances, in-depth historical and/or biographical studies through books and other publications, film and television screenings, oral histories, question and answer sessions, panel discussions, and live interviews, hands-on activities from songwriting to instrument demonstrations to dance, print and broadcast and internet presentations, and school programs that support the social studies, language arts and music curriculum















**4b** (Code ) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

**4c** (Code ) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )




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

**4e** Total program service expenses \$ 9,227,905 *Must equal Part IX, Line 25, column (B).*

**Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules**

	Yes	No
<b>1</b> 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> 	Yes	
<b>2</b> Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors? 	Yes	
<b>3</b> 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> 		No
<b>4</b> Section 501(c)(3) organizations Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II</i> 	Yes	
<b>5</b> 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>		
<b>6</b> Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any 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> 		No
<b>7</b> 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>		No
<b>8</b> Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III</i> 	Yes	
<b>9</b> 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> 		No
<b>10</b> Did the organization hold assets in term, permanent, or quasi-endowments? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V</i> 	Yes	
<b>11</b> Did the organization report an amount in Part X, lines 10, 12, 13, 15, or 25? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable</i> 	Yes	
<b>12</b> Did the organization receive an audited financial statement for the year for which it is completing this return that was prepared in accordance with GAAP? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII</i> 	Yes	
<b>13</b> Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule E</i>		No
<b>14a</b> Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the U S ?		No
<b>b</b> Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, and program service activities outside the U S ? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part I</i>		No
<b>15</b> 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>		No
<b>16</b> 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>		No
<b>17</b> Did the organization report more than \$15,000 on Part IX, column (A), line 11e? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I</i> 		No
<b>18</b> Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II</i> 	Yes	
<b>19</b> Did the organization report more than \$15,000 on Part VIII, line 9a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III</i> 		No
<b>20</b> Did the organization operate one or more hospitals? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule H</i>		No
<b>21</b> Did the organization report more than \$5,000 on Part IX, column (A), line 1? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II</i>		No
<b>22</b> Did the organization report more than \$5,000 on Part IX, column (A), line 2? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III</i>		No
<b>23</b> Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, questions 3, 4, or 5? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J</i> 	Yes	
<b>24a</b> 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 questions 24b-24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to question 25</i>		No
<b>b</b> Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?		
<b>c</b> Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?		
<b>d</b> Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?		
<b>25a</b> 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>		No
<b>b</b> Did the organization become aware that it had engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person from a prior year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>		No
<b>26</b> 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>		No
<b>27</b> Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, or substantial contributor, or to a person related to such an individual? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III</i>		No

**Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules** *(Continued)*

		Yes	No
<b>28</b>	During the tax year, did any person who is a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee		
<b>a</b>	Have a direct business relationship with the organization (other than as an officer, director, trustee, or employee), or an indirect business relationship through ownership of more than 35% in another entity (individually or collectively with other person(s) listed in Part VII, Section A)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i> . . . . .		No
<b>b</b>	Have a family member who had a direct or indirect business relationship with the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i> . . . . .		No
<b>c</b>	Serve as an officer, director, trustee, key employee, partner, or member of an entity (or a shareholder of a professional corporation) doing business with the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i> . . . . .		No
<b>29</b>	Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i> 	Yes	
<b>30</b>	Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i> . . . . . 	Yes	
<b>31</b>	Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I</i> . . . . . 		No
<b>32</b>	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> . . . . .		No
<b>33</b>	Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations section 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I</i> . . . . .		No
<b>34</b>	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> . . . . .		No
<b>35</b>	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> . . . . .		No
<b>36</b>	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> . . . . .		No
<b>37</b>	Did the organization conduct more than 5 percent 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> . . . . .		No

**Part V** Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

		Yes	No
<b>1a</b>	Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096, <i>Annual Summary and Transmittal of U.S. Information Returns</i> . Enter -0- if not applicable . . . . .		
	<b>1a</b> 161		
<b>b</b>	Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable . . . . .		
	<b>1b</b> 0		
<b>c</b>	Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners? . . . . .	Yes	
<b>2a</b>	Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, <i>Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements</i> filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return . . . . .		
	<b>2a</b> 160		
<b>b</b>	If at least one is reported in 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns? . . . . . <b>Note:</b> If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file this return.	Yes	
<b>3a</b>	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year covered by this return? . . . . .	Yes	
<b>b</b>	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O . . . . .	Yes	
<b>4a</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)? . . . . .		No
<b>b</b>	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country _____ See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for <b>Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts</b> .		
<b>5a</b>	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year? . . . . .		No
<b>b</b>	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? . . . . .		No
<b>c</b>	If "Yes," to 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T, <i>Disclosure by Tax-Exempt Entity Regarding Prohibited Tax Shelter Transaction</i> ? . . . . .		
<b>6a</b>	Did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible? . . . . .		No
<b>b</b>	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible? . . . . .		
<b>7</b>	<i>Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).</i>		
<b>a</b>	Did the organization provide goods or services in exchange for any quid pro quo contribution of \$75 or more? . . . . .	Yes	
<b>b</b>	If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided? . . . . .	Yes	
<b>c</b>	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282? . . . . .		No
<b>d</b>	If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year . . . . .		
	<b>7d</b>		
<b>e</b>	Did the organization, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract? . . . . .		No
<b>f</b>	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract? . . . . .		No
<b>g</b>	For all contributions of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required? . . . . .		
<b>h</b>	For contributions of cars, boats, airplanes, and other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C as required? . . . . .		
<b>8</b>	<i>Section 501(c)(3) and other sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds and section 509(a)(3) supporting organizations.</i> Did the supporting organization, or a fund maintained by a sponsoring organization, have excess business holdings at any time during the year? . . . . .		
<b>9</b>	<i>Section 501(c)(3) and other sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.</i>		
<b>a</b>	Did the organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966? . . . . .		
<b>b</b>	Did the organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person? . . . . .		
<b>10</b>	<i>Section 501(c)(7) organizations.</i> Enter		
<b>a</b>	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12 . . . . .		
	<b>10a</b>		
<b>b</b>	Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities . . . . .		
	<b>10b</b>		
<b>11</b>	<i>Section 501(c)(12) organizations.</i> Enter		
<b>a</b>	Gross income from members or shareholders . . . . .		
	<b>11a</b>		
<b>b</b>	Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them) . . . . .		
	<b>11b</b>		
<b>12a</b>	<i>Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts.</i> Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041? . . . . .		
<b>b</b>	If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year . . . . .		
	<b>12b</b>		

**Part VI Governance, Management, and Disclosure (Sections A, B, and C request information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)**

**Section A. Governing Body and Management**

For each "Yes" response to lines 2-7 below, and for a "No" response to lines 8 or 9b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O. See instructions.

		Yes	No
<b>1a</b>	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body . . . . .		
<b>1b</b>	Enter the number of voting members that are independent . . . . .		
<b>2</b>	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? . . . . .		No
<b>3</b>	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? . . . . .		No
<b>4</b>	Did the organization make any significant changes to its organizational documents since the prior Form 990 was filed? . . . . .		No
<b>5</b>	Did the organization become aware during the year of a material diversion of the organization's assets? . . . . .		No
<b>6</b>	Does the organization have members or stockholders? . . . . .		No
<b>7a</b>	Does the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who may elect one or more members of the governing body? . . . . .		No
<b>7b</b>	Are any decisions of the governing body subject to approval by members, stockholders, or other persons? . . . . .		No
<b>8</b>	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following		
<b>8a</b>	the governing body? . . . . .	Yes	
<b>8b</b>	each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body? . . . . .		No
<b>9a</b>	Does the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates? . . . . .		No
<b>9b</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? . . . . .		
<b>10</b>	Was a copy of the Form 990 provided to the organization's governing body before it was filed? All organizations must describe in Schedule O the process, if any, the organization uses to review the Form 990 . . . . .		No
<b>11</b>	Is there any officer, director or 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 . . . . .		No

**Section B. Policies**

		Yes	No
<b>12a</b>	Does the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No", go to line 13 . . . . .	Yes	
<b>12b</b>	Are officers, directors or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts? . . . . .	Yes	
<b>12c</b>	Does the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this is done . . . . .	Yes	
<b>13</b>	Does the organization have a written whistleblower policy? . . . . .		No
<b>14</b>	Does the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy? . . . . .	Yes	
<b>15</b>	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		
<b>15a</b>	The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official? . . . . .		No
<b>15b</b>	Other officers or key employees of the organization? . . . . . Describe the process in Schedule O		No
<b>16a</b>	Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year? . . . . .		No
<b>16b</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? . . . . .		

**Section C. Disclosure**

<b>17</b>	List the States with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed <u>TN</u>
<b>18</b>	Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Form 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you make these available. Check all that apply. <input type="checkbox"/> own website <input type="checkbox"/> another's website <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> upon request
<b>19</b>	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. See Additional Data Table
<b>20</b>	State the name, physical address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the books and records of the organization MS NINA HAMMONTREE 222 FIFTH AVE SOUTH nashville, TN 37203 (615) 416-2043







**Part VIII Statement of Revenue**

			(A) Total Revenue	(B) Related or Exempt Function Revenue	(C) Unrelated Business Revenue	(D) Revenue Excluded from Tax under IRC 512, 513, or 514	
<b>Contributions, gifts, grants and other similar amounts</b>	<b>1a</b>	Federated campaigns . . . . . <b>1a</b>					
	<b>b</b>	Membership dues . . . . . 171,977					
	<b>c</b>	Fundraising events . . . . . 199,700					
	<b>d</b>	Related organizations . . . . . <b>1d</b>					
	<b>e</b>	Government grants (contributions) <b>1e</b> 388,029					
	<b>f</b>	All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above <b>1f</b> 2,379,261					
	<b>g</b>	Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f \$ _____					
	<b>h</b>	<b>Total (Add lines 1a-1f)</b> . . . . . 3,138,967					
<b>Program Service Revenue</b>			Business Code				
	<b>2a</b>	admission fees 900,099	4,437,130	4,437,130			
	<b>b</b>	event income 900,099	1,422,872		1,422,872		
	<b>c</b>						
	<b>d</b>						
	<b>e</b>						
	<b>f</b>	All other program service revenue					
	<b>g</b>	<b>Total. Add lines 2a-2f</b> . . . . . \$ 5,860,002					
<b>Other Revenue</b>	<b>3</b>	Investment income (including dividends, interest other similar amounts) . . . . .	48,183			48,183	
	<b>4</b>	Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds . . . . .					
	<b>5</b>	Royalties . . . . .	97,316			97,316	
	<b>6a</b>		(i) Real				
			(ii) Personal				
		<b>b</b>	Gross Rents				
		<b>c</b>	Less rental expenses				
	<b>d</b>	Rental income or (loss)					
	<b>d</b>	Net rental income or (loss) . . . . .					
	<b>7a</b>		(i) Securities				
			(ii) Other				
		<b>b</b>	Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory 512,705				
<b>c</b>		Less cost or other basis and sales expenses 549,897					
<b>d</b>	Gain or (loss) -37,192						
<b>d</b>	Net gain or (loss) . . . . . -37,192						
<b>8a</b>		Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ 40,000 of contributions reported on line 1c) See Part IV, line 18 Attach Schedule G if total exceeds \$15,000 . . . . . <b>a</b> 199,700					
	<b>b</b>	Less direct expenses . . . . . <b>b</b> 57,003					
	<b>c</b>	Net income or (loss) from fundraising events . . . . . -17,003					
<b>9a</b>		Gross income from gaming activities See part IV, line 19 Complete Schedule G if total exceeds \$15,000 . . . . . <b>a</b>					
	<b>b</b>	Less direct expenses . . . . . <b>b</b>					
	<b>c</b>	Net income or (loss) from gaming activities . . . . .					
<b>10a</b>		Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances . . . . . <b>a</b> 3,343,394					
	<b>b</b>	Less cost of goods sold . . . . . <b>b</b> 1,384,408					
	<b>c</b>	Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory . . . . . 1,958,986		1,357,732	601,254		
		Business Code					
<b>11a</b>	Miscellaneous Revenue OTHER INCOME 900,099	66,319	66,319				
<b>b</b>	Restaurant in museum 722,210	42,875			42,875		
<b>c</b>							
<b>d</b>	All other revenue _____						
<b>e</b>	<b>Total. Add lines 11a-11d</b> . . . . . \$ 109,194						
<b>12</b>	<b>Total Revenue.</b> Add lines 1h, 2g, 3, 4, 5, 6d, 7d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e . . . . .	11,158,453	5,806,986	2,024,126	188,374		

**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).**

<b>Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.</b>		<b>(A)</b> Total expenses	<b>(B)</b> Program service expenses	<b>(C)</b> Management and general expenses	<b>(D)</b> Fundraising expenses
<b>1</b>	Grants and other assistance to governments and organizations in the U S See Part IV, line 21				
<b>2</b>	Grants and other assistance to individuals in the U S See Part IV, line 22				
<b>3</b>	Grants and other assistance to governments, organizations and individuals outside the U S See Part IV, lines 15 and 16				
<b>4</b>	Benefits paid to or for members				
<b>5</b>	Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees . . . . .	482,861	241,131	176,592	65,138
<b>6</b>	Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B) . . . . .				
<b>7</b>	Other salaries and wages	3,579,057	2,934,693		149,860
<b>8</b>	Pension plan contributions (include section 401(k) and section 403(b) employer contributions) . . . . .	48,774	36,176	9,540	3,058
<b>9</b>	Other employee benefits . . . . .	330,081	244,821	64,564	20,696
<b>10</b>	Payroll taxes . . . . .	331,809	246,070	64,935	20,804
<b>11</b>	Fees for services (non-employees)				
<b>a</b>	Management . . . . .				
<b>b</b>	Legal . . . . .	93,393	72,678	19,659	1,056
<b>c</b>	Accounting . . . . .	20,900	16,266	4,400	234
<b>d</b>	Lobbying . . . . .				
<b>e</b>	Professional fundraising See Part IV, line 17 . . . . .				
<b>f</b>	Investment management fees . . . . .	8,475		8,475	
<b>g</b>	Other . . . . .	468,390	364,501	98,596	5,293
<b>12</b>	Advertising and promotion . . . . .	851,661	656,024	185,670	9,967
<b>13</b>	Office expenses . . . . .	203,265	158,081	43,787	1,397
<b>14</b>	Information technology . . . . .	125,126	97,373	26,339	1,414
<b>15</b>	Royalties . . . . .				
<b>16</b>	Occupancy . . . . .	1,665,408	1,296,021	350,568	18,819
<b>17</b>	Travel . . . . .	45,257	33,563	8,857	2,837
<b>18</b>	Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any Federal, state or local public officials . . . . .				
<b>19</b>	Conferences, conventions and meetings . . . . .	13,425	10,447	2,826	152
<b>20</b>	Interest . . . . .	135,079	105,118	28,434	1,527
<b>21</b>	Payments to affiliates . . . . .				
<b>22</b>	Depreciation, depletion, and amortization . . . . .	1,449,908	1,128,318	305,206	16,384
<b>23</b>	Insurance . . . . .	8,645	6,728	1,820	97
<b>24</b>	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)				
<b>a</b>	legal settlement	750,000		750,000	
<b>b</b>	museum public relations	332,465	332,465		0
<b>c</b>	annual bond related fee	326,371	253,982	68,701	3,688
<b>d</b>	event expenses	316,668	316,668		
<b>e</b>	fundraising expenses	230,504			230,504
<b>f</b>	All other expenses	740,597	676,781	18,138	45,678
<b>25</b>	<b>Total functional expenses.</b> Add lines 1 through 24f	12,558,119	9,227,905	2,731,611	598,603
<b>26</b>	<b>Joint Costs.</b> Check <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)		(B)
		Beginning of year		End of year
<b>Assets</b>	<b>1</b> Cash—non-interest-bearing . . . . .	308,201	<b>1</b>	328,982
	<b>2</b> Savings and temporary cash investments . . . . .	1,146,171	<b>2</b>	575,121
	<b>3</b> Pledges and grants receivable, net . . . . .	933,663	<b>3</b>	1,675,352
	<b>4</b> Accounts receivable, net . . . . .	511,563	<b>4</b>	322,053
	<b>5</b> Receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees or other related parties <i>Complete Part II of Schedule L</i> . . . . .		<b>5</b>	
	<b>6</b> Receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B) <i>Complete Part II of Schedule L</i> . . . . .		<b>6</b>	
	<b>7</b> Notes and loans receivable, net . . . . .		<b>7</b>	
	<b>8</b> Inventories for sale or use . . . . .	746,894	<b>8</b>	819,217
	<b>9</b> Prepaid expenses and deferred charges . . . . .	36,534	<b>9</b>	44,970
	<b>10a</b> Land, buildings, and equipment cost basis			
		<b>10a</b> 43,506,353		
	<b>b</b> Less accumulated depreciation <i>Complete Part VI of Schedule D</i> . . . . .	<b>10b</b> 12,067,988	31,805,779	<b>10c</b> 31,438,365
	<b>11</b> Investments—publicly traded securities . . . . .	1,183,974	<b>11</b>	1,082,797
	<b>12</b> Investments—other securities See Part IV, line 11 <i>Complete Part VII of Schedule D</i> . . . . .	24,802	<b>12</b>	
	<b>13</b> Investments—program-related See Part IV, line 11 <i>Complete Part VIII of Schedule D</i> . . . . .		<b>13</b>	
	<b>14</b> Intangible assets . . . . .		<b>14</b>	
<b>15</b> Other assets See Part IV, line 11 <i>Complete Part IX of Schedule D</i> . . . . .	347,061	<b>15</b>	322,848	
<b>16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)</b>	37,044,642	<b>16</b>	36,609,705	
<b>Liabilities</b>	<b>17</b> Accounts payable and accrued expenses . . . . .	1,793,183	<b>17</b>	2,558,540
	<b>18</b> Grants payable . . . . .		<b>18</b>	
	<b>19</b> Deferred revenue . . . . .	340,998	<b>19</b>	355,926
	<b>20</b> Tax-exempt bond liabilities . . . . .	23,535,000	<b>20</b>	23,535,000
	<b>21</b> Escrow account liability <i>Complete Part IV of Schedule D</i> . . . . .		<b>21</b>	
	<b>22</b> Payable to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons <i>Complete Part II of Schedule L</i> . . . . .		<b>22</b>	
	<b>23</b> Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties . . . . .	1,629,827	<b>23</b>	1,932,589
	<b>24</b> Unsecured notes and loans payable . . . . .		<b>24</b>	
	<b>25</b> Other liabilities <i>Complete Part X of Schedule D</i> . . . . .	0	<b>25</b>	750,000
	<b>26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25</b>	27,299,008	<b>26</b>	29,132,055
<b>Net Assets or Fund Balances</b>	<b>Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.</b>			
	<b>27</b> Unrestricted net assets . . . . .	6,905,962	<b>27</b>	4,498,640
	<b>28</b> Temporarily restricted net assets . . . . .	1,699,172	<b>28</b>	788,510
	<b>29</b> Permanently restricted net assets . . . . .	1,140,500	<b>29</b>	2,190,500
	<b>Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>and complete lines 30 through 34.</b>			
	<b>30</b> Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds . . . . .		<b>30</b>	
	<b>31</b> Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building or equipment fund . . . . .		<b>31</b>	
	<b>32</b> Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds . . . . .		<b>32</b>	
<b>33</b> Total net assets or fund balances . . . . .	9,745,634	<b>33</b>	7,477,650	
<b>34</b> Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances . . . . .	37,044,642	<b>34</b>	36,609,705	

**Part XI Financial Statements and Reporting**

		Yes	No
<b>1</b>	Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990 <input type="checkbox"/> cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> accrual <input type="checkbox"/> other		
<b>2a</b>	Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant? . . . . .		No
<b>2b</b>	Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant? . . . . .	Yes	
<b>2c</b>	If "Yes" to lines 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? . . . . .	Yes	
<b>3a</b>	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? . . . . .		No
<b>3b</b>	If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? . . . . .		

**SCHEDULE A  
(Form 990 or  
990EZ)**

**Public Charity Status and Public Support**

OMB No 1545-0047

**2008**

**Open to Public  
Inspection**

To be completed by all section 501(c)(3) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts.

Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ. See separate instructions.

Department of the  
Treasury  
Internal Revenue  
Service

Name of the organization  
COUNTRY MUSIC FOUNDATION INC

Employer identification number

62-0753887

**Part I Reason for Public Charity Status (to be completed by all organizations) (See Instructions)**

The organization is not a private foundation because it is (Please check only **one** organization )

- 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)**. (Attach Schedule H )
- 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)**. (See instructions )
- 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?

- (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 the supported organization?
- (ii) a family member of a person described in (i) above?
- (iii) a 35% controlled entity of a person described in (i) or (ii) above?

	Yes	No
<b>11g(i)</b>		
<b>11g(ii)</b>		
<b>11g(iii)</b>		

h Provide the following information about the organizations the organization supports

(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	
<b>Total</b>									

**Part II Support Schedule for Organizations Described in IRC 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.)

**Public Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
<b>1</b> Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants")	1,716,496	4,090,074	4,584,648	1,236,139	2,754,176	14,381,533
<b>2</b> Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
<b>3</b> The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
<b>4 Total.</b> Add line 1-3	1,716,496	4,090,074	4,584,648	1,236,139	2,754,176	14,381,533
<b>5</b> The portion of total contribution by each person (other than a government unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceed 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f)						4,657,109
<b>6 Public Support</b> subtract line 5 from line 4						9,724,424

**Total Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
<b>7</b> Amounts from line 4	1,716,496	139,516	4,584,648	1,236,139	2,754,176	14,381,533
<b>8</b> Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	267,613	139,516	83,854	127,620	145,499	764,102
<b>9</b> Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
<b>10</b> Other income Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV )						
<b>11 Total Support</b> (Add lines 7 through 10)						15,145,635
<b>12</b> Gross receipts from related activities, etc (See instructions )					<b>12</b>	35,564,899
<b>13 First Five Years.</b> If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and <b>stop here</b> <input type="checkbox"/>						

**Computation of Public Support Percentage**

<b>14</b> Public Support Percentage for 2008 (line 6 column (f) divided by line 11 column (f))	<b>14</b>	64.210%
<b>15</b> Public Support Percentage for 2007 Schedule A, Part IV-A, line 26f	<b>15</b>	61.760%

- 16a 33 1/3% Test - 2008.** 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% Test - 2007.** If the organization did not check the 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 - 2008.** 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 - 2007.** 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 the box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a or 17b, check this box and see instructions

**Part III Support Schedule for Organizations Described in IRC 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) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
<b>1</b> Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants.")						
<b>2</b> 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						
<b>3</b> Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
<b>4</b> Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
<b>5</b> The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
<b>6 Total</b> Add lines 1-5						
<b>7a</b> Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						
<b>b</b> Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of 1% of the total of lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12 for the year or \$5,000						
<b>c</b> Total of lines 7a and 7b						
<b>8 Public Support</b> (Subtract line 7c from line 6)						

**Total Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
<b>9</b> Amounts from line 6						
<b>10a</b> Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
<b>b</b> Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after 30 June, 1975						
<b>c</b> Add lines 10a and 10b						
<b>11</b> Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
<b>12</b> Other income Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.)						
<b>13 Total Support</b> (Add lines 9, 10c, 11 and 12)						
<b>14 First Five Years</b> If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and <b>stop here</b> <input type="checkbox"/>						

**Computation of Public Support Percentage**

<b>15</b> Public Support Percentage for 2008 (line 8 column (f) divided by line 13 column (f))	<b>15</b>	
<b>16</b> Public Support Percentage for 2007 Schedule A, Part IV-A, line 27g	<b>16</b>	

**Computation of Investment Income Percentage**

<b>17</b> Investment Income Percentage for <b>2008</b> (line 10c column (f) divided by line 13 column (f))	<b>17</b>	
<b>18</b> Investment Income Percentage from <b>2007</b> Schedule A, Part IV-A, line 27h	<b>18</b>	

- 19a 33 1/3% Tests - 2008.** 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% Tests - 2007.** 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

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**Part IV** **Supplemental Information.** Complete this part to provide the information required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b, or Part III, line 12. Provide any other additional information. (see instructions)

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SCHEDULE C (Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities

OMB No 1545-0047

For Organizations Exempt From Income Tax Under section 501(c) and section 527

2008

Open to Public Inspection

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

To be completed by organizations described below. Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ

If the organization answered "Yes," to Form 990, Part IV, Line 3, or Form 990-EZ, Part VI, line 46 (Political Campaign Activities)

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations complete Parts I-A and B Do not complete Part I-C
Section 501(c) (other than section 501(c)(3)) organizations complete Parts I-A and C below Do not complete Part I-B
Section 527 organizations complete Part I-A only

If the organization answered "Yes," to Form 990, Part IV, Line 4, or Form 990-EZ, Part VI, line 47 (Lobbying Activities)

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)) complete Part II-A Do not complete Part II-B
Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)) Complete Part II-B Do not complete Part II-A

If the organization answered "Yes," to Form 990, Part IV, Line 5 (Proxy Tax)

- Section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) organizations complete Part III

Name of the organization COUNTRY MUSIC FOUNDATION INC

Employer identification number

62-0753887

Part I-A To be completed by all organizations exempt under section 501(c) and section 527 organizations. (See the instructions for Schedule C for details.)

- 1 Provide a description of the organization's direct and indirect political campaign activities in Part IV
2 Political expenditures \$
3 Volunteer hours

Part I-B To be completed by all organizations exempt under section 501(c)(3). (See the instructions for Schedule C for details.)

- 1 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by the organization under section 4955 \$
2 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by organization managers under section 4955 \$
3 If the organization incurred in a section 4955 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year? Yes No
4a Was a correction made? Yes No
b If "Yes," describe in Part IV

Part I-C To be completed by all organizations exempt under section 501(c), except section 501(c)(3). (See the instructions for Schedule C for details.)

- 1 Enter the amount directly expended by the filing organization for section 527 exempt function activities \$
2 Enter the amount of the filing organization's internal funds contributed to other organizations for section 527 exempt function activities \$
3 Total of direct and indirect exempt function expenditures Add lines 1 and 2 and enter here and on Form 1120-POL, line 17b \$
4 Did the filing organization file Form 1120-POL for this year? Yes No
5 State the names, addresses and Employer Identification Number (EIN) of all section 527 political organizations to which payments were made

Table with 5 columns: (a) Name, (b) Address, (c) EIN, (d) Amount paid from filing organization's internal funds, (e) Amount of political contributions received and promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization.



**Part II-A To be completed by organizations exempt under section 501(c)(3) that filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).** (See the instructions for Schedule C for details.)

- A** Check  if the filing organization belongs to an affiliated group
- B** Check  if the filing organization checked box A and "limited control" provisions apply

<b>Limits on Lobbying Expenditures—</b> (The term "expenditures" means amounts paid or incurred.)	(a) Filing Organization's Totals	(b) Affiliated Group Totals
<b>1a</b> Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grass roots lobbying)		
<b>b</b> Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)		
<b>c</b> Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b)		
<b>d</b> Other exempt purpose expenditures		
<b>e</b> Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d)		
<b>f</b> Lobbying nontaxable amount Enter the amount from the following table in both columns—		
<b>If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:</b>		
Not over \$500,000		<b>The lobbying nontaxable amount is:</b> 20% of the amount on line 1e
Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000		\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000
Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000		\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000
Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000		\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000
Over \$17,000,000		\$1,000,000
<b>g</b> Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f)		
<b>h</b> Subtract line 1g from line 1a Enter -0- if line g is more than line a		
<b>i</b> Subtract line 1f from line 1c Enter -0- if line f is more than line c		
<b>j</b> If there is an amount other than zero on either line 1h or line 1i, did the organization file Form 4720 reporting section 4911 tax for this year?		<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>No</b>

**4-Year Averaging Period Under Section 501(h)**  
(Some organizations that made a section 501(h) election do not have to complete all of the five columns below. See the instructions for lines 1a through 1f of the instructions.)

<b>Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period</b>					
Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) Total
<b>2a</b> Lobbying non-taxable amount					
<b>b</b> Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column(e))					
<b>c</b> Total lobbying expenditures					
<b>d</b> Grassroots non-taxable amount					
<b>e</b> Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line d, column (e))					
<b>f</b> Grassroots lobbying expenditures					

**Part II-B To be completed by organizations exempt under section 501(c)(3) that have NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).** (See the instructions for Schedule C for details.)

	(a)		(b)
	Yes	No	Amount
<b>1</b> During the year, did the filing organization attempt to influence foreign, national, state or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum, through the use of			
<b>a</b> Volunteers?	Yes		
<b>b</b> Paid staff or management (include compensation in expenses reported on lines c through i)?	Yes		
<b>c</b> Media advertisements?		No	
<b>d</b> Mailings to members, legislators, or the public?	Yes		100
<b>e</b> Publications, or published or broadcast statements?		No	
<b>f</b> Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes?		No	
<b>g</b> Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body?	Yes		7,370
<b>h</b> Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any other means?		No	
<b>i</b> Other activities. If "Yes," describe in Part IV		No	
<b>j</b> Total lines 1c through 1i			7,470
<b>2a</b> Did the activities in line 1 cause the organization to be not described in section 501(c)(3)?		No	
<b>b</b> If "Yes" enter the amount of any tax incurred under section 4912			
<b>c</b> If "Yes" enter the amount of any tax incurred by organization managers under section 4912			
<b>d</b> If the filing organization incurred a section 4912 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year?			

**Part III-A To be completed by all organizations exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6).** (See the instructions for Schedule C for details.)

	Yes	No
<b>1</b> Were substantially all (90% or more) dues received nondeductible by members?	<b>1</b>	
<b>2</b> Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less?	<b>2</b>	
<b>3</b> Did the organization agree to carryover lobbying and political expenditures from the prior year?	<b>3</b>	

**Part III-B To be completed by all organizations exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6) if BOTH Part III-A, questions 1 and 2 are answered "No" OR if Part III-A, question 3 is answered "Yes."** (See the instructions for Schedule C for details.)

<b>1</b> Dues, assessments and similar amounts from members	1 \$
<b>2</b> Section 162(e) non-deductible lobbying and political expenditures ( <i>do not include amounts of political expenses for which the section 527(f) tax was paid</i> ).	
<b>a</b> Current Year	2a \$
<b>b</b> Carryover from last year	2b \$
<b>c</b> Total	2c \$
<b>3</b> Aggregate amount reported in section 6033(e)(1)(A) notices of nondeductible section 162(e) dues	3 \$
<b>4</b> If notices were sent and the amount on line 2c exceeds the amount on line 3, what portion of the excess does the organization agree to carryover to the reasonable estimate of nondeductible lobbying and political expenditure next year?	4 \$
<b>5</b> Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures (line 2c total minus 3 and 4)	5 \$

**Part IV Supplemental Information**

Complete this part to provide the descriptions required for Part I-A, line 1, Part I-B, line 4, Part I-C, line 5, and Part II-B, line 1i. Also, complete this part for any additional information.

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
Part II-B, Line 1i	Explanation of Other Lobbying Activities	during 2008, the country music foundation, inc (cmf) sent letters to the tennessee congressional delegation supporting ongoing and increased funding for the national endowment for the arts, the national endowment for the humanities, and institution for museum and library services cmf sent letters and personally contacted members of the davidson county delegation of the tennessee general assembly to support funding for the tennessee arts commission and specialty license plates supporting the arts cmf sent letters and personally contacted members of the metro nashville council to support funding for the metro nashville arts commission cmf's executive director, and other staff, along with some of the board members personally met with various council members The total funds expended on these activities represented less than 1% of cmf's total revenue for the year



SCHEDULE D (Form 990)

OMB No 1545-0047

Supplemental Financial Statements

2008

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Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Attach to Form 990. To be completed by organizations that answered "Yes," to Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, or 12.

Name of the organization

COUNTRY MUSIC FOUNDATION INC

Employer identification number

62-0753887

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.

Table with 3 columns: Line number, (a) Donor advised funds, (b) Funds and other accounts. Rows 1-4.

- 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?
6 Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds may be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor or other impermissible private benefit?

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)
2 Complete lines 2a-2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution in the form of a conservation easement on the last day of the tax year

Table with 2 columns: Line number, Held at the End of the Year. Rows 2a-2d.

- 3 Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the taxable 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, violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds?
6 Staff or volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting and enforcing easements during the year
7 Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, and enforcing 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 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)?
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
1b 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
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

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

**3** Using the organization's 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 Trust, Escrow and Custodial Arrangements.** Complete if the 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 why in Part XIV and complete the following table

	Amount
<b>1c</b> Beginning balance	
<b>1d</b> Additions during the year	
<b>1e</b> Distributions during the year	
<b>1f</b> Ending balance	

**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
<b>1a</b> Beginning of year balance . . . . .	1,358,073				
<b>b</b> Contributions . . . . .	50,000				
<b>c</b> Investment earnings or losses . . . . .	-325,276				
<b>d</b> Grants or scholarships . . . . .					
<b>e</b> Other expenditures for facilities and programs . . . . .					
<b>f</b> Administrative expenses . . . . .					
<b>g</b> End of year balance . . . . .	1,082,797				

**2** Provide the estimated percentage of the year end balance held as

- a** Board designated or quasi-endowment ▶ 10 000 %
- b** Permanent endowment ▶ 90 000 %
- 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
<b>(i)</b> unrelated organizations . . . . .	<b>3a(i)</b>	No
<b>(ii)</b> related organizations . . . . .	<b>3a(ii)</b>	No
<b>b</b> If "Yes" to 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R? . . . . .	<b>3b</b>	

**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) Depreciation	(d) Book value
<b>1a</b> Land . . . . .		932,700		932,700
<b>b</b> Buildings . . . . .		30,579,514	12,067,988	18,511,526
<b>c</b> Leasehold improvements . . . . .				
<b>d</b> Equipment . . . . .		1,806,154		1,806,154
<b>e</b> Other . . . . .		10,187,985		10,187,985
<b>Total.</b> Add lines 1a-1e (Column (d) should equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c).) . . . . .				31,438,365



**Part XI Reconciliation of Change in Net Assets from Form 990 to Financial Statements**

<b>1</b>	Total revenue (Form 990, Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	<b>1</b>	11,158,453
<b>2</b>	Total expenses (Form 990, Part IX, column (A), line 25)	<b>2</b>	12,558,119
<b>3</b>	Excess or (deficit) for the year Subtract line 2 from line 1	<b>3</b>	-1,399,666
<b>4</b>	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	<b>4</b>	-305,715
<b>5</b>	Donated services and use of facilities	<b>5</b>	
<b>6</b>	Investment expenses	<b>6</b>	
<b>7</b>	Prior period adjustments	<b>7</b>	
<b>8</b>	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	<b>8</b>	-562,604
<b>9</b>	Total adjustments (net) Add lines 4 - 8	<b>9</b>	-868,319
<b>10</b>	Excess or (deficit) for the year per financial statements Combine lines 3 and 9	<b>10</b>	-2,267,985

**Part XII Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return**

<b>1</b>	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements	<b>1</b>	12,715,364
<b>2</b>	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12		
<b>a</b>	Net unrealized gains on investments	<b>2a</b>	
<b>b</b>	Donated services and use of facilities	<b>2b</b>	108,502
<b>c</b>	Recoveries of prior year grants	<b>2c</b>	
<b>d</b>	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	<b>2d</b>	1,441,411
<b>e</b>	Add lines <b>2a</b> through <b>2d</b>	<b>2e</b>	1,549,913
<b>3</b>	Subtract line <b>2e</b> from line <b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	11,165,451
<b>4</b>	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line <b>1</b>		
<b>a</b>	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	<b>4a</b>	
<b>b</b>	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	<b>4b</b>	-6,997
<b>c</b>	Add lines <b>4a</b> and <b>4b</b>	<b>4c</b>	-6,997
<b>5</b>	Total Revenue Add lines <b>3</b> and <b>4c</b> . (This should equal Form 990, Part I, line 12)	<b>5</b>	11,158,454

**Part XIII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return**

<b>1</b>	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	<b>1</b>	14,983,348
<b>2</b>	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25		
<b>a</b>	Donated services and use of facilities	<b>2a</b>	108,502
<b>b</b>	Prior year adjustments	<b>2b</b>	
<b>c</b>	Losses reported on Form 990, Part IX, line 25	<b>2c</b>	
<b>d</b>	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	<b>2d</b>	2,316,727
<b>e</b>	Add lines <b>2a</b> through <b>2d</b>	<b>2e</b>	2,425,229
<b>3</b>	Subtract line <b>2e</b> from line <b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	12,558,119
<b>4</b>	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line <b>1</b> :		
<b>a</b>	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	<b>4a</b>	
<b>b</b>	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	<b>4b</b>	
<b>c</b>	Add lines <b>4a</b> and <b>4b</b>	<b>4c</b>	0
<b>5</b>	Total expenses Add lines <b>3</b> and <b>4c</b> . (This should equal Form 990, Part I, line 18)	<b>5</b>	12,558,119

**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 XIV, lines 1b and 2b, Part V, line 4, Part X, Part XI, line 8, Part XII, lines 2d and 4b, and Part XIII, lines 2d and 4b

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
Part III, Line 1a		in accordance with the provisions of sfas 116, accounting for contributions received and contributions made, the foundation does not capitalize donated or purchased artifacts or recognize them as revenues or gains that statement provides that such donations need not be recognized if they are added to collections that are held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service rather than financial gain, are protected, kept unencumbered, cared for, and preserved, are are subject to a policy that requires the proceeds from sales of collection items to be used to acquire other items for collections the estimated fair value of artifacts donated to the museum during 2008 was \$672,705
Part III, Line 4		the organization's collections consists primarily of donated artifacts related to the history of country music which are used to help educate the public and preserve the history of country music
Part V, Line 4	Description of Intended Use of Endowment Funds	current loan covenants require the organization to maintain a certain level of endowment funds long term goal is to have a permanent endowment large enough to generate income to supplement operations of the museum





SCHEDULE G (Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Supplemental Information Regarding Fundraising or Gaming Activities

OMB No 1545-0047

2008

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Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ. Must be completed by organizations that answer "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, lines 17, 18, or 19, and by organizations that enter more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a.

Name of the organization COUNTRY MUSIC FOUNDATION INC

Employer identification number

62-0753887

Part I Fundraising Activities. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 17.

1 Indicate whether the organization raised funds through any of the following activities. Check all that apply.

- a Mail solicitations, b Email solicitations, c Phone solicitations, d In-person solicitations, e Solicitation of non-government grants, f Solicitation of government grants, g Special fundraising events

2a Did the organization have a written or oral agreement with any individual... or key employees listed in Form 990, Part VII) or entity in connection with professional fundraising activities? Yes No

b If "Yes," list the ten highest paid individuals or entities (fundraisers) pursuant to agreements under which the fundraiser is to be compensated at least \$5,000 by the organization. Form 990-EZ filers are not required to complete this table.

Table with 6 columns: (i) Name of individual or entity (fundraiser), (ii) Activity, (iii) Did fundraiser have custody or control of contributions?, (iv) Gross receipts from activity, (v) Amount paid to (or retained by) fundraiser listed in col (i), (vi) Amount paid to (or retained by) organization. Includes a Total row at the bottom.

3 List all states in which the organization is registered or licensed to solicit funds or has been notified it is exempt from registration or licensing

TN,NY,CA

**Part III Fundraising Events.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 18, or reported more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a. List events with gross receipts greater than \$5,000.

		(a) Event #1	(b) Event #2	(c) Other Events	(d) Total Events
		dinner and musical performance (event type)	(event type)	(total number)	(Add col (a) through col (c))
<b>Revenue</b>	<b>1</b> Gross receipts . . . . .	239,700			239,700
	<b>2</b> Less Charitable contributions . . . . .	199,700			199,700
	<b>3</b> Gross revenue (line 1 minus line 2) . . . . .	40,000			40,000
<b>Direct Expenses</b>	<b>4</b> Cash Prizes . . . . .	0			
	<b>5</b> Non-cash Prizes . . . . .	0			
	<b>6</b> Rent/Facility costs . . . . .	25,000			25,000
	<b>7</b> Other direct expenses . . . . .	22,003			22,003
	<b>8</b> Direct expense summary Add lines 4 through 7 in column (d) . . . . . ▶				47,003
<b>9</b> Net income summary Combine lines 3 and 8 in column (d) . . . . . ▶				-7,003	

**Part III Gaming.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 19, or reported more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a.

		(a) Bingo	(b) Pull tabs/Instant bingo/progressive bingo	(c) Other gaming	(d) Total gaming (Add col (a) through col (c))
		<b>1</b> Gross revenue . . . . .			
<b>Direct Expenses</b>	<b>2</b> Cash prizes . . . . .				
	<b>3</b> Non-cash prizes . . . . .				
	<b>4</b> Rent/facility costs . . . . .				
	<b>5</b> Other direct expenses . . . . .				
<b>6</b> Volunteer labor . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No		
<b>7</b> Direct expense summary Add lines 2 through 5 in column (d) . . . . . ▶					
<b>8</b> Net gaming income summary Combine lines 1 and 7 in column (d) . . . . . ▶					

		Yes	No
<b>9</b>	Enter the state(s) in which the organization operates gaming activities _____		
<b>a</b>	Is the organization licensed to operate gaming activities in each of these states? . . . . .	<b>9a</b>	
<b>b</b>	If "No," Explain _____		
<b>10a</b>	Were any of the organization's gaming licenses revoked, suspended or terminated during the tax year?	<b>10a</b>	
<b>b</b>	If "Yes," Explain _____		
<b>11</b>	Does the organization operate gaming activities with nonmembers? . . . . .	<b>11</b>	
<b>12</b>	Is the organization a grantor, beneficiary or trustee of a trust or a member of a partnership or other entity formed to administer charitable gaming? . . . . .	<b>12</b>	

**13** Indicate the percentage of gaming activity operated in

- a** The organization's facility . . . . . **13a**
- b** An outside facility . . . . . **13b**

**14** Provide the name and address of the person who prepares the organization's gaming/special events books and records

Name ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

Address ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

**15a** Does the organization have a contract with a third party from whom the organization receives gaming revenue? . . . . .

- b** If "Yes," enter the amount of gaming revenue received by the organization ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_ and the amount of gaming revenue retained by the third party ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- c** If "Yes," enter name and address

Name ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

Address ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

**16** Gaming manager information

Name ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

Gaming manager compensation ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Description of services provided ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

- Director/officer
- Employee
- Independent contractor

**17** Mandatory distributions

- a** Is the organization required under state law to make charitable distributions from the gaming proceeds to retain the state gaming license? . . . . .

- b** Enter the amount of distributions required under state law distributed to other exempt organizations or spent in the organization's own exempt activities during the tax year ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Yes** **No**

**15a**

**17a**

**Schedule J**  
(Form 990)

**Compensation Information**

OMB No 1545-0047

**2008**

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For certain Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

▶ **Attach to Form 990. To be completed by organizations that answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 23.**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Name of the organization**  
COUNTRY MUSIC FOUNDATION INC

**Employer identification number**

62-0753887

**Part I Questions Regarding Compensation**

	Yes	No								
<p><b>1a</b> Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a. Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items.</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> First class or charter travel</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Tax idemnification and gross-up payments</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Personal services (e.g., maid, chauffeur, chef)</td> </tr> </table>	<input type="checkbox"/> First class or charter travel	<input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use	<input type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions	<input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence	<input type="checkbox"/> Tax idemnification and gross-up payments	<input type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees	<input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account	<input type="checkbox"/> Personal services (e.g., maid, chauffeur, chef)		
<input type="checkbox"/> First class or charter travel	<input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use									
<input type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions	<input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence									
<input type="checkbox"/> Tax idemnification and gross-up payments	<input type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees									
<input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account	<input type="checkbox"/> Personal services (e.g., maid, chauffeur, chef)									
<p><b>1b</b> If line 1a is checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or reimbursement or provision of all the expenses described above? If "No," complete Part III to explain.</p>										
<p><b>2</b> Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all officers, directors, trustees, and the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked in line 1a?</p>	Yes									
<p><b>3</b> Indicate which, if any, of the following the organization uses to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director. Check all that apply.</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation committee</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant</td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Form 990 of other organizations</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Approval by the board or compensation committee</td> </tr> </table>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation committee	<input type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract	<input type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study	<input type="checkbox"/> Form 990 of other organizations	<input type="checkbox"/> Approval by the board or compensation committee				
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<input type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study									
<input type="checkbox"/> Form 990 of other organizations	<input type="checkbox"/> Approval by the board or compensation committee									
<p><b>4</b> During the year, did any person listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a:</p> <p><b>a</b> Receive a severance payment or change of control payment?</p>		No								
<p><b>b</b> Participate in, or receive payment from, a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan?</p>		No								
<p><b>c</b> Participate in, or receive payment from, an equity-based compensation arrangement?</p> <p>If "Yes" to any of lines 4a-c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III.</p> <p><b>501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations only must complete lines 5-8.</b></p>										
<p><b>5</b> For persons listed in form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the revenues of:</p> <p><b>a</b> The organization?</p>		No								
<p><b>b</b> Any related organization?</p> <p>If "Yes," to line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III.</p>		No								
<p><b>6</b> For persons listed in form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the net earnings of:</p> <p><b>a</b> The organization?</p>		No								
<p><b>b</b> Any related organization?</p> <p>If "Yes," to line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III.</p>		No								
<p><b>7</b> For persons listed in form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any non-fixed payments not described in lines 5 and 6? If "Yes," describe in Part III.</p>		No								
<p><b>8</b> Were any amounts reported in Form 990, Part VII, paid or accrued pursuant to a contract that was subject to the initial contract exception described in Regs. section 53.4958-4(a)(3)? If "Yes," describe in Part III.</p>		No								

**Part II Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees.** Use Schedule J-1 if additional space needed.

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

**Note.** The sum of columns (B)(i)-(iii) must equal the applicable column (D) or column (E) amounts on Form 990, Part VII, line 1a

(A) Name		(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC compensation			(C) Deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation reported in prior Form 990 or Form 990-EZ
		(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other compensation				
kyle young	(i)	224,540			6,791	5,324	236,655	
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**Part III Supplemental Information**

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

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
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SCHEDULE M (Form 990)

Non-Cash Contributions

OMB No 1545-0047

2008

Open to Public Inspection

To be completed by organizations that answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, lines 29 or 30. Attach to Form 990

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

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Part I Types of Property

Table with 4 columns: (a) Check if applicable, (b) Number of Contributions, (c) Revenues reported on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1g, (d) Method of determining revenues. Rows include Art, Books, Cars, Intellectual property, etc.

29 Number of Forms 8283 received by the organization during the tax year for contributions for which the organization completed Form 8283, Part IV, Donee Acknowledgement 0

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include 30a, 31, 32a, 33 regarding contribution policies and reporting.





**SCHEDULE O  
(Form 990)**

**Supplemental Information to Form 990**

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Inspection**

Department of the  
Treasury  
Internal Revenue  
Service

**▶ Attach to Form 990. To be completed by organizations to provide additional information for responses to specific questions for the Form 990 or to provide any additional information.**

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Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
Form 990, Part VI, Section A, line 8b		committee meetings of the board are less formal, but a written agenda is prepared in advance for each meeting significant decisions must still be approved by the full voting board

<b>Identifier</b>	<b>Return Reference</b>	<b>Explanation</b>
Form 990, Part VI, Section A, line 10		the organization does not provide a copy of its form 990 to the entire governing body prior to filing, how ever, the organization has adopted a policy to review the form 990 w ith its finance commttee prior to filing

<b>Identifier</b>	<b>Return Reference</b>	<b>Explanation</b>
Form 990, Part VI, Section B, line 12c		cmf requires each board member to review its ethics and conflicts of interest policy annually and sign a statement disclosing any conflicts of interest if cmf determines that a board member may have a conflict of interest related to an issue under consideration by the board, that board member does not participate in any discussion or voting on the issue

<b>Identifier</b>	<b>Return Reference</b>	<b>Explanation</b>
Form 990, Part VI, Section C, line 19		No documents available to general public

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
Part IX, page 11, line 2c		there has been no change in the finance committee's process related to oversight of the audit process during the year



## Additional Data

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**Form 990, Part I, Line 1 - Briefly describe the Organization's mission or most significant activities:**

the mission of the country music foundation, inc.(cmf) is to identify and preserve THE evolving history and traditions of country music and to educate its audiences. functioning as a local history museum and as an international arts organization, the cmf serves visiting and non-visiting audiences including fans, students, scholars, members of the music industry, and the general public----in the nashville area, the nation, and the world.