

Form **990-EZ**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Short Form Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

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

- ▶ Sponsoring organizations of donor advised funds and controlling organizations as defined in section 512(b)(13) must file Form 990. All other organizations with gross receipts less than \$1,000,000 and total assets less than \$2,500,000 at the end of the year may use this form.
- ▶ The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements.

OMB No. 1545-1150

2008

Open to Public Inspection

A For the 2008 calendar year, or tax year beginning **07/01, 2008, and ending** **06/30, 20 09**

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

EMPIRE QUILTERS INC

Number and street (or P.O. box, if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite

PO Box 1293 Old Chelsea Station

City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4

New York, NY 10113

D Employer identification number

13 3477887

E Telephone number

(718) 541-5545

F Group Exemption Number . . . ▶

• **Section 501(c)(3) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must attach a completed Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ).**

G Accounting method: Cash Accrual
Other (specify) ▶

I Website: ▶ www.empirequilters.net

H Check if the organization is **not** required to attach Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).

J Organization type (check only one) — 501(c) (**3**) ◀ (insert no.) 4947(a)(1) or 527

K Check if the organization is not a section 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 Add lines 5b, 6b, and 7b, to line 9 to determine gross receipts; if \$1,000,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ ▶ \$ **116,102**

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

		1	2	3	4	5a	5b	5c	6a	6b	6c	7a	7b	7c	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Revenue	1	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	18,444																									
	2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	29,968																									
	3	Membership dues and assessments	13,805																									
	4	Investment income	41																									
	5a	Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory																										
	b	Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses																										
	c	Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a) (attach schedule)	0																									
	6	Special events and activities (complete applicable parts of Schedule G). If any amount is from gaming, check here <input type="checkbox"/>																										
	a	Gross revenue (not including \$ <u>0</u> of contributions reported on line 1)	53,844																									
	b	Less: direct expenses other than fundraising expenses	51,470																									
c	Net income or (loss) from special events and activities (Subtract line 6b from line 6a)	2,374																										
7a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances																											
b	Less: cost of goods sold																											
c	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)	0																										
8	Other revenue (describe ▶ _____)	0																										
9	Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6c, 7c, and 8. ▶	64,632																										
Expenses	10	Grants and similar amounts paid (attach schedule)	721																									
	11	Benefits paid to or for members																										
	12	Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits																										
	13	Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors	5,900																									
	14	Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance	14,008																									
	15	Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	3,290																									
	16	Other expenses (describe ▶ See Statement 2)	43,930																									
	17	Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16 ▶	67,849																									
Net Assets	18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)	-3,217																									
	19	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	46,019																									
	20	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (attach explanation)	0																									
	21	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20 ▶	42,802																									

Part II Balance Sheets. If Total assets on line 25, column (B) are \$2,500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ.

(See the instructions for Part II.)

		(A) Beginning of year	(B) End of year
22	Cash, savings, and investments	61,089	58,562
23	Land and buildings	0	0
24	Other assets (describe ▶ _____)	0	0
25	Total assets	61,089	58,562
26	Total liabilities (describe ▶ See Statement 3)	15,070	15,760
27	Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	46,019	42,802

Part V Other Information (Note the statement requirements in the instructions for Part VI.)

		Yes	No
33	Did the organization engage in any activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a detailed description of each activity		✓
34	Were any changes made to the organizing or governing documents but not reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the changes		✓
35	If the organization had income from business activities, such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a (among others), but not reported on Form 990-T, attach a statement explaining your reason for not reporting the income on Form 990-T.		
a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more or section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements?		✓
b	If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year?		
36	Was there a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or substantial contraction during the year? If "Yes," complete applicable parts of Schedule N		✓
37a	Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions. ▶ 37a 0		
b	Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?		✓
38a	Did the organization borrow from, or make any loans to, any officer, director, trustee, or key employee or were any such loans made in a prior year and still unpaid at the start of the period covered by this return?		✓
b	If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved 38b		
39	Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:		
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9 39a		
b	Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities 39b		
40a	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under: section 4911 ▶ 0 ; section 4912 ▶ 0 ; section 4955 ▶ 0		
b	Section 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations. 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," complete Schedule L, Part I		✓
c	Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958 ▶ 0		
d	Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization ▶ 0		
e	All organizations. At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If "Yes," complete Form 8886-T.		✓
41	List the states with which a copy of this return is filed. ▶ NY		
42a	The books are in care of ▶ Kitty Squire Telephone no. ▶ (718) 541-5525 Located at ▶ 25-31 30th Rd Apt 1C, Astoria, NY 11102 ZIP + 4 ▶ 11102		
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: ▶ See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts.	Yes	No
42b			✓
c	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside of the U.S.? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: ▶		✓
42c			
43	Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of Form 1041—Check here and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year ▶ 43		
44	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ		✓
45	Is any related organization a controlled entity of the organization within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ		✓

Part VI Section 501(c)(3) organizations only. All section 501(c)(3) organizations must answer questions 46–49 and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51.

- | | | Yes | No |
|--|------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 46 Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I | 46 | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 47 Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II | 47 | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 48 Is the organization operating a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E | 48 | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 49a Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? | 49a | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| b If "Yes," was the related organization(s) a section 527 organization? | 49b | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
- 50** Complete this table for the five highest compensated employees (other than officers, directors, trustees and key employees) who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None."

(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$100,000	(b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans & deferred compensation	(e) Expense account and other allowances
None				
Total number of other employees paid over \$100,000 ▶				

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

(a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$100,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
None		
Total number of other independent contractors each receiving over \$100,000 . . ▶		

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Sign Here

▶ _____ Date _____
 Signature of officer

▶ **Kitty Squire, Treasurer**
 Type or print name and title.

Paid Preparer's Use Only

Preparer's signature ▶ _____ Date _____ Check if self-employed Preparer's Identifying Number (See instructions)

Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4 ▶ _____ EIN ▶ _____ Phone no. ▶ () _____

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

Part II Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)
 (Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, or 8 of Part I.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")	12,513	10,085	12,329	32,719	32,249	99,895
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						0
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge	0	0	0			0
4 Total. Add lines 1-3	12,513	10,085	12,329	32,719	32,249	99,895
5 The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f)						20,000
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4.						79,895

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4	12,513	10,085	12,329	32,719	32,249	99,895
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	0	166	246	142	41	595
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.)	15,482	8,353	28,139	11,365	32,342	95,681
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						196,171
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)				12		
13 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>						

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public support percentage for 2008 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	40.73 %
15 Public support percentage from 2007 Schedule A, Part IV-A, line 26f	15	98.83 %
16a 33 1/3 % support 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 ▶ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
b 33 1/3 % support test—2007. If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3 % or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		
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 ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		
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 ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		
18 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		

Part III Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Section 509(a)(2)

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 9 of Part I.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")						
2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose						
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
6 Total. Add lines 1-5						
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						
b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of 1% of the total of lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12 for the year or \$5,000						
c Add lines 7a and 7b						
8 Public support (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)						

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
9 Amounts from line 6						
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						
c Add lines 10a and 10b						
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.)						
13 Total support. (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.)						

14 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and **stop here**

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

15 Public support percentage for 2008 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	15	%
16 Public support percentage from 2007 Schedule A, Part IV-A, line 27g	16	%

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2008 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	17	%
18 Investment income percentage from 2007 Schedule A, Part IV-A, line 27h	18	%

19a 33 1/3 % support 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 % support 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 ►

Statement 1 : General Explanations

Statement 2 : Other Expenses Schedule

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Statement 5 : Officers, Directors, Trustees and Key Employees Compensation

Statement 1

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GeneralExplanationAttachment

EMPIRE QUILTERS INC

13-3477887

General Explanations

Reference:	Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 6
Identifier:	F99Z_P01_S00_L06
Explanation:	No professional fundraisers were used for this event.

Statement 2

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OtherExpensesSchedule2

EMPIRE QUILTERS INC

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Other Expenses Schedule

Description	Amount
Insurance	\$1,239
Miscellaneous	\$593
Office Supplies	\$296
Secretary and Library Expenses	\$398
Speaker Expenses	\$6,799
Workshop Expenses	\$1,190
Trip Expenses	\$29,437
Ways and Means Expenses	\$3,752
Website	\$226
Total:	\$43,930

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OtherLiabilitiesSchedule3

EMPIRE QUILTERS INC

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Liabilities Schedule

Description	BOY Amount	EOY Amount
Deferred Membership Renewals	\$5,070	\$5,760
Quilt Show and Vendor Deposits		
Grant for Programs	\$10,000	\$10,000
Uncashed Checks	\$0	
Total:	\$15,070	\$15,760

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ProgramServiceAccomplishmentStatement

EMPIRE QUILTERS INC

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Program Service Accomplishments

Achievement	Grants And Allocations	includes Foreign Grants	Program Service Expenses
Textile Arts Programs: The Empire Quilt Guild seeks to maintain and promote the art traditional quilting and craftsmanship skills involved in handwork. The Guild also promotes new forms of experimentation in the quilting genre such as machine work of textiles and art quilting. The Guild holds ten general meetings each year and several field trips. Membership from the greater New York City metropolitan area is solicited. The Guild also creates a number of products for at-risk infants, youth, and seniors. Constructing and donating quilts to qualified charities is one of the primary focuses of the Guild. (0 Meetings and events)	\$721		\$60,993
Total:			\$60,993

Statement 5

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OfficersDirectorsEtcStatement

Officers, Directors, Trustees and Key Employees Compensation

Name	Title and Hrs	Compensation	Benefits	Expense
Lauren Dieterich PO Box 1293 Old Chelsea Station New York, NY 10113	Vice President 6	\$0	\$0	\$0
Paula Kenney PO Box 1293 Old Chelsea Station New York, NY 10113	Vice President 6	\$0	\$0	\$0
Jennifer Bigelow PO Box 1293 Old Chelsea Station New York, NY 10113	President 6	\$0	\$0	\$0
Kitty Squire PO Box 1293 Old Chelsea Station New York, NY 10113	Treasurer 6	\$0	\$0	\$0
Gail Lefton PO Box 1293 Old Chelsea Station New York, NY 10113	Secretary 6	\$0	\$0	\$0
Cindy Russell PO Box 1293 Old Chelsea Station New York, NY 10113	Board Member 6	\$0	\$0	\$0
Mary Butler PO Box 1293 Old Chelsea Station New York, NY 10113	Board Member 6	\$0	\$0	\$0
Larry Gifford PO Box 1293 Old Chelsea Station New York, NY 10113	Board Member 6	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total:		\$0	\$0	\$0