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May 11, 2009

Backyards and Beyond  
1216 Washington Street  
Vicksburg, MS 39183

Dear Karole:

Enclosed is the organization's 2008 Exempt Organization return.

Specific filing instructions are as follows.

FORM 990-EZ RETURN:

This return has been prepared for electronic filing. If you wish to have it transmitted electronically to the IRS, please sign, date, and return Form 8879-EO to our office. We will then submit the electronic return to the IRS. Do not mail a paper copy of the return to the IRS.

PUBLIC DISCLOSURE:

Organizations exempt under IRS code 501(c) are required to make their three most recent Forms 990, 990T and 990PF (as well as Form 1023, Application for Exemption) available to anyone who requests them. Most 990 Forms filed with the IRS are now available on the internet. For this reason, we ask that you review this form carefully to ensure the accuracy of its contents, prior to filing with the IRS.

The public disclosure requirements state very clearly how an exempt organization must honor requests for this information. Please be sure your key staff and/or volunteers understand how to handle any such requests your organization may receive.

Most of the information contained on Form 990, 990T and Form 990PF is considered to be public information and therefore available to the public, upon request. There are significant fines that may be imposed for failure to provide the information on a timely basis.

We sincerely appreciate the opportunity to serve you. Please contact us if you have any questions concerning the tax

return.

A copy of the return is enclosed for your files. We suggest that you retain this copy indefinitely.

Sincerely,

Charles R Lindsay, Jr, CPA

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)

OMB No. 1545-1150

2008

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Form 990-EZ

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

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.

**A For the 2008 calendar year, or tax year beginning and ending**

<b>B</b> Check if applicable: <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Termination <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	Please use IRS label or print or type. See Specific Instructions.	<b>C Name of organization</b> Backyards and Beyond		<b>D Employer identification number</b> 03-0594788
		Number and street (or P.O. box, if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite 1216 Washington Street		<b>E Telephone number</b> 601-661-9444
		City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4 Vicksburg, MS 39183		<b>F Group Exemption Number</b> ▶

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.backyardsandbeyond.org

**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.....** ▶ \$ 130,575.

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

		Revenue		Expenses		Net Assets	
1	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	1	43,726.	10	Grants and similar amounts paid (attach schedule)	10	
2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	2	82,074.	11	Benefits paid to or for members	11	
3	Membership dues and assessments	3		12	Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits	12	69,310.
4	Investment income	4	961.	13	Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors	13	12,368.
5a	Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	5a		14	Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance	14	15,606.
b	Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses	5b		15	Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	15	1,078.
c	Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a) (attach schedule)	5c		16	Other expenses (describe ▶ See Statement 1)	16	282,808.
6	Special events and activities (complete applicable parts of Schedule G). If any amount is from gaming, check here <input type="checkbox"/>			17	Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16	17	381,170.
a	Gross revenue (not including \$ of contributions reported on line 1)	6a		18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)	18	-250,595.
b	Less: direct expenses other than fundraising expenses	6b		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)	19	103,284.
c	Net income or (loss) from special events and activities (Subtract line 6b from line 6a)	6c		20	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (attach explanation) See Statement 4	20	174,396.
7a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	7a		21	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20	21	27,085.
b	Less: cost of goods sold	7b					
c	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)	7c					
8	Other revenue (describe ▶ Miscellaneous Income)	8	3,814.				
9	Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6c, 7c, and 8	9	130,575.				

**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	140,212.	46,655.
23	Land and buildings		
24	Other assets (describe ▶ See Statement 2)	0.	75,048.
25	Total assets	140,212.	121,703.
26	Total liabilities (describe ▶ See Statement 3)	36,928.	94,618.
27	Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	103,284.	27,085.



**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		X
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		X
35	If the organization had income from business activities, such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a (among others), but <b>not</b> 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?		X
b	If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on <b>Form 990-T</b> for this year?	N/A	
36	Was there a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or substantial contraction during the year? If "Yes," complete applicable parts of Sch. N		X
37a	Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions. <span style="float:right">37a</span> <u>0.</u>		
b	Did the organization file <b>Form 1120-POL</b> for this year?		X
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?		X
b	If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved <span style="float:right">38b</span> <u>N/A</u>		
39	Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:		
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9 <span style="float:right">39a</span> <u>N/A</u>		
b	Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities <span style="float:right">39b</span> <u>N/A</u>		
40a	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under: section 4911 <u>0.</u> ; section 4912 <u>0.</u> ; section 4955 <u>0.</u>		
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		X
c	Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958 <span style="float:right">0.</span>		
d	Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization <span style="float:right">0.</span>		
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		X
41	List the states with which a copy of this return is filed. <span style="float:right">None</span>		
42a	The books are in care of <u>Karole Sessums</u> Telephone no. <u>601-661-9444</u> Located at <u>1216 Washington Street, Vicksburg, MS</u> ZIP + 4 <u>39183</u>		
b	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?		X
	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>		
c	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside of the U.S.?		X
	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: _____		
43	Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of <b>Form 1041</b> - Check here <input type="checkbox"/> and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year <span style="float:right">43</span> <u>N/A</u>		
44	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ		X
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		X

**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	X
47 Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II	47	X
48 Is the organization operating a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E	48	X
49a Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?	49a	X
b If "Yes," was the related organization(s) a section 527 organization?	49b	

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 \_\_\_\_\_

**Karole Sessums, Executive Director**  
Type or print name and title.

**Paid Preparer's Use Only**

Preparer's signature Date Check if self-employed  Preparer's Identifying Number (See instr.)

05/11/09

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

**Matthews Cutrer & Lindsay, PA**  
**599 C Steed Rd**  
**Ridgeland, MS 39157**

601-898-8875

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

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

**Public Charity Status and Public Support**

OMB No. 1545-0047

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.

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Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization <b>Backyards and Beyond</b>	Employer identification number <b>03-0594788</b>
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**Part I Reason for Public Charity Status** (All organizations must complete this part.) (see instructions)

The organization is not a private foundation because it is: (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 the 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 supported organization? 

	Yes	No
<b>11g(i)</b>		
<b>11g(ii)</b>		
<b>11g(iii)</b>		
  - (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? .....
- 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 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
<b>1</b> Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.") .....			6,759.	270,018.	43,726.	320,503.
<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 lines 1 - 3 .....			6,759.	270,018.	43,726.	320,503.
<b>5</b> 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) .....						
<b>6 Public Support.</b> Subtract line 5 from line 4.						320,503.

**Section B. 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 .....			6,759.	270,018.	43,726.	320,503.
<b>8</b> Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources .....					961.	961.
<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.) .....					3,814.	3,814.
<b>11 Total support.</b> Add lines 7 through 10						325,278.
<b>12</b> Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions) .....					12	82,074.
<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 section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and <b>stop here</b> .....						<input type="checkbox"/>

**Section C. 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>	98.53	%
<b>15</b> Public support percentage from 2007 Schedule A, Part IV-A, line 26f .....	<b>15</b>	100.00	%
<b>16a 33 1/3% support test - 2008.</b> If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and <b>stop here.</b> The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization .....			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>b 33 1/3% support test - 2007.</b> 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 <b>stop here.</b> The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization .....			<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>17a 10% -facts-and-circumstances test - 2008.</b> 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 <b>stop here.</b> 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>b 10% -facts-and-circumstances test - 2007.</b> 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 <b>stop here.</b> 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>18 Private foundation.</b> 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
<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> Add lines 7a and 7b .....						
<b>8 Public support</b> (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
<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 June 30, 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.)						

**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**

<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 from 2007 Schedule A, Part IV-A, line 27g .....	<b>16</b>	%

**Section D. 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% 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



Form 990-EZ	Other Expenses	Statement	1
<u>Description</u>		<u>Amount</u>	
Exhibit Expense			66,304.
Book Expenses			54,848.
Marketing of Exhibit			131,003.
Insurance Expense			1,356.
Interest Expense			1,089.
Office Expense			1,812.
Miscellaneous			4,153.
Contract Labor			18,924.
Travel and Meeting			2,314.
Organizational Expenses			50.
Bank and Finance Charges			955.
Total to Form 990-EZ, line 16			282,808.

Form 990-EZ	Other Assets	Statement	2
<u>Description</u>		<u>Beg. of Year</u>	<u>End of Year</u>
Accounts Receivable		0.	12,907.
Grants and Pledges Receivable		0.	3,599.
Inventories		0.	48,382.
Prepaid Expenses		0.	0.
Other Depreciable Assets		0.	10,160.
Total to Form 990-EZ, line 24		0.	75,048.

Form 990-EZ	Other Liabilities	Statement	3
<u>Description</u>		<u>Beg. of Year</u>	<u>End of Year</u>
Accounts Payable		0.	30,911.
Accrued Expenses		0.	21,368.
Notes Payable		35,148.	42,339.
Payroll Liabilities		1,780.	0.
Total to Form 990-EZ, line 26		36,928.	94,618.

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Form 990-EZ      Other Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances      Statement      4

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<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Donated Fixed Assets	2,951.
Prior Year Audit Adjustment	171,445.
Total to Form 990-EZ, line 20	174,396.

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Form 990-EZ      Occupancy, Rent, Utilities and Maintenance      Statement      5

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<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Depreciation	3,109.
Other Expenses	12,497.
Total to Form 990-EZ, line 14	15,606.

- A) Did the organization, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract? . . . . . [ ] Yes [X] No
- B) Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract? . . [ ] Yes [X] No

Mississippians and Their Stories/The First Year After Katrina Exhibition is an event which preserves the history and effects of Hurricane Katrina by educating people through a multi-media art exhibit which includes paintings, oral histories, video and other interactive installations. The program in 2008 consisted of 6 events hosting approximately 12,000 participants.

The organization is dedicated to creating and managing art exhibitions that celebrate, enhance, and encourage the strength, resiliency and hope of the human spirit. These exhibitions serve to educate, motivate, and promote public awareness of how people's lives are affected by the events and social situations of the day.

**IRS e-file Signature Authorization  
for an Exempt Organization**

For calendar year 2008, or fiscal year beginning \_\_\_\_\_, 2008, and ending \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_

**2008**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

▶ **Do not send to the IRS. Keep for your records.**  
▶ **See instructions.**

Name of exempt organization

Employer identification number

**Backyards and Beyond**

**03-0594788**

Name and title of officer

**Karole Sessums  
Executive Director**

**Part I Type of Return and Return Information** (Whole Dollars Only)

Check the box for the return for which you are using this Form 8879-EO and enter the applicable amount from the return if any. If you check the box on line 1a, 2a, 3a, 4a, or 5a, below, and the amount on that line for the return for which you are filing this form was blank, then leave line 1b, 2b, 3b, 4b, or 5b, whichever is applicable, blank (do not enter -0-). But, if you entered -0- on the return, then enter -0- on the applicable line below. Do not complete more than 1 line in Part I.

<b>1a</b> Form 990 check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>b</b> Total revenue, if any (Form 990, line 12) .....	<b>1b</b> _____
<b>2a</b> Form 990-EZ check here ▶ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>b</b> Total revenue, if any (Form 990-EZ, line 9) .....	<b>2b</b> <u>130575</u>
<b>3a</b> Form 1120-POL check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>b</b> Total tax (Form 1120-POL, line 22) .....	<b>3b</b> _____
<b>4a</b> Form 990-PF check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>b</b> Tax based on investment income (Form 990-PF, Part VI, line 5) .....	<b>4b</b> _____
<b>5a</b> Form 8868 check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>b</b> Balance Due (Form 8868, line 3c) .....	<b>5b</b> _____

**Part II Declaration and Signature Authorization of Officer**

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I am an officer of the above organization and that I have examined a copy of the organization's 2008 electronic return and accompanying schedules and statements and to the best of my knowledge and belief, they are true, correct, and complete. I further declare that the amount in Part I above is the amount shown on the copy of the organization's electronic return. I consent to allow my intermediate service provider, transmitter, or electronic return originator (ERO) to send the organization's return to the IRS and to receive from the IRS (a) an acknowledgement of receipt or reason for rejection of the transmission, (b) an indication of any refund offset, (c) the reason for any delay in processing the return or refund, and (d) the date of any refund. If applicable, I authorize the U.S. Treasury and its designated Financial Agent to initiate an electronic funds withdrawal (direct debit) entry to the financial institution account indicated in the tax preparation software for payment of the organization's federal taxes owed on this return, and the financial institution to debit the entry to this account. To revoke a payment, I must contact the U.S. Treasury Financial Agent at 1-888-353-4537 no later than 2 business days prior to the payment (settlement) date. I also authorize the financial institutions involved in the processing of the electronic payment of taxes to receive confidential information necessary to answer inquiries and resolve issues related to the payment. I have selected a personal identification number (PIN) as my signature for the organization's electronic return and, if applicable, the organization's consent to electronic funds withdrawal.

**Officer's PIN: check one box only**

I authorize Matthews Cutrer & Lindsay, PA to enter my PIN 07495  
ERO firm name Enter five numbers, but do not enter all zeros

as my signature on the organization's tax year 2008 electronically filed return. If I have indicated within this return that a copy of the return is being filed with a state agency(ies) regulating charities as part of the IRS Fed/State program, I also authorize the aforementioned ERO to enter my PIN on the return's disclosure consent screen.

As an officer of the organization, I will enter my PIN as my signature on the organization's tax year 2008 electronically filed return. If I have indicated within this return that a copy of the return is being filed with a state agency(ies) regulating charities as part of the IRS Fed/State program, I will enter my PIN on the return's disclosure consent screen.

Officer's signature ▶ \_\_\_\_\_ Date ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

**Part III Certification and Authentication**

ERO's EFIN/PIN. Enter your six-digit EFIN followed by your five-digit self-selected PIN. 64524312345  
do not enter all zeros

I certify that the above numeric entry is my PIN, which is my signature on the 2008 electronically filed return for the organization indicated above. I confirm that I am submitting this return in accordance with the requirements of Pub. 4163, Modernized e-File (MeF) Information for Authorized IRS e-file Providers for Business Returns.

ERO's signature ▶ \_\_\_\_\_ Date ▶ 05/11/09

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