

Short Form

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)

2019

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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

A For the 2019 calendar year, or tax year beginning, 2019, and ending, 20

B Check if applicable: <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Final return/terminated <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	C Name of organization CAT WRITERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.		D Employer identification number 75-2536031
	Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) PO BOX 1904	Room/suite	E Telephone number (903) 868-1022
	City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code SHERMAN, TX 75091		F Group Exemption Number ▶

G Accounting Method: Cash Accrual Other (specify) ▶ _____

I Website: ▶ WWW.CATWRITERS.COM

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

J Tax-exempt status (check only one) - 501(c)(3) 501(c) (6) ◀ (insert no.) 4947(a)(1) or 527

K Form of organization: Corporation Trust Association Other _____

L Add lines 5b, 6c, and 7b to line 9 to determine gross receipts. If gross receipts are \$200,000 or more, or if total assets (Part II, column (B)) are \$500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ ▶ \$ 52,788.

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

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part I

Revenue	1	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	1	21,600.
	2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	2	
	3	Membership dues and assessments	3	7,990.
	4	Investment income	4	
	5a	Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	5a	
	b	Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses	5b	
	c	Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (subtract line 5b from line 5a)	5c	
	6	Gaming and fundraising events:		
	a	Gross income from gaming (attach Schedule G if greater than \$15,000)	6a	
b	Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions from fundraising events reported on line 1) (attach Schedule G if the sum of such gross income and contributions exceeds \$15,000)	6b		
c	Less: direct expenses from gaming and fundraising events	6c		
d	Net income or (loss) from gaming and fundraising events (add lines 6a and 6b and subtract line 6c)	6d		
7a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	7a		
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 in Schedule O) See Line 8 Stmt.	8	23,198.	
9	Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6d, 7c, and 8 ▶	9	52,788.	
Expenses	10	Grants and similar amounts paid (list in Schedule O)	10	
	11	Benefits paid to or for members	11	19,709.
	12	Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits	12	
	13	Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors	13	574.
	14	Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance	14	532.
	15	Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	15	478.
	16	Other expenses (describe in Schedule O) See Line 16. Stmt.	16	19,083.
17	Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16 ▶	17	40,376.	
Net Assets	18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (subtract line 17 from line 9)	18	12,412.
	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	47,312.
	20	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	20	
	21	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20 ▶	21	59,724.

Part II Balance Sheets (see the instructions for Part II)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part II

	(A) Beginning of year	(B) End of year
22 Cash, savings, and investments	47,312.	22 59,724.
23 Land and buildings		23
24 Other assets (describe in Schedule O)		24
25 Total assets	47,312.	25 59,724.
26 Total liabilities (describe in Schedule O)		26
27 Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	47,312.	27 59,724.

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments (see the instructions for Part III)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part III

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose? See Part III Stmt

Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. In a clear and concise manner, describe the services provided, the number of persons benefited, and other relevant information for each program title.

Expenses
(Required for section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations; optional for others.)

28 NONE		
(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	28a	
29		
(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	29a	
30		
(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	30a	
31 Other program services (describe in Schedule O)		
(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	31a	
32 Total program service expenses (add lines 28a through 31a)	32	

Part IV List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees (list each one even if not compensated—see the instructions for Part IV)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part IV

(a) Name and title	(b) Average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC) (if not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation	(e) Estimated amount of other compensation
DEBORAH BARNES PRESIDENT	46.00	0.	0.	0.
PAULA GREGG VICE PRESIDENT	2.00	0.	0.	0.
WENDY CHRISTENSEN SECRETARY	12.00	0.	0.	0.
ROBBI HESS TREASURER	2.00	0.	0.	0.
JANISS GARZA DIRECTOR	1.50	0.	0.	0.
ALANA GRELYAK DIRECTOR	1.50	0.	0.	0.
DEBBIE GLOVATSKY DIRECTOR	1.00	0.	0.	0.
DAWN WHITE DIRECTOR	1.00	0.	0.	0.
MARCI KLADNIK IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT	1.00	0.	0.	0.
AMY D SHOJAI CO-FOUNDER	1.00	0.	0.	0.

Part V Other Information (Note the Schedule A and personal benefit contract statement requirements in the instructions for Part V.) Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part V

Table with columns for question number, question text, and Yes/No response boxes. Includes questions 33 through 45b regarding organizational activities, financials, and governance.

	Yes	No
46 Did the organization engage, directly or indirectly, in political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I	46	x

Part VI Section 501(c)(3) Organizations Only

All section 501(c)(3) organizations must answer questions 47-49b and 52, and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51.

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part VI

	Yes	No
47 Did the organization engage in lobbying activities or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II	47	
48 Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E	48	
49a Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?	49a	
b If "Yes," was the related organization a section 527 organization?	49b	
50 Complete this table for the organization's 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 title of each employee	(b) Average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC)	(d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation	(e) Estimated amount of other compensation

f Total number of other employees paid over \$100,000 ▶ _____

51 Complete this table for the organization's 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 business address of each independent contractor	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation

d Total number of other independent contractors each receiving over \$100,000 ▶ _____

52 Did the organization complete Schedule A? **Note:** All section 501(c)(3) organizations must attach a completed Schedule A ▶ **Yes** **No**

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

Sign Here	▶ Signature of officer	04/28/2020
	DEBORAH BARNES, PRESIDENT	Date
	▶ Type or print name and title	

Paid Preparer Use Only	Print/Type preparer's name MAHMOUD SHOJAI, EA	Preparer's signature MAHMOUD SHOJAI, EA	Date 04/30/2020	Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed	PTIN P00552082
	Firm's name ▶ Shojai & Johnson Enterprises, LLC			Firm's EIN ▶ 47-1595574	
	Firm's address ▶ 6136 FRISCO SQUARE BLVD., SUITE 400, FRISCO, TX 75034			Phone no. (903) 814-6823	

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

Additional information from your Form 990-EZ: Short Form Return of Organization Exempt from Income Tax

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Line 8: Other Revenue

Continuation Statement

Description	Amount
AWARDS PROVIDED BY VARIOUS ORGANIZATIONS	11,000.
MISC	3,595.
ADS	450.
CONTEST FEES	4,365.
CONFERENCE TICKETS	3,788.
Total	23,198.

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Line 16: Other Expenses

Continuation Statement

Description	Amount
AWARDS PAID TO THE MEMBERS	16,000.
MISC EXPENSES	362.
BANK FEES	70.
MUSES AND PLAQUES	1,430.
REFUNDS	221.
DEPOSIT	1,000.
Total	19,083.

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Part III: Purpose

Continuation Statement

Organization's Primary Exempt Purpose
TO EDUCATE WRITERS TO IMPROVE INFORMATION
ABOUT COMMUNICATION REGARDING CATS
(SEMINARS). APPROXIMATELY 200 MEMBERS.

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

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Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on
Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information.

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Name of the organization

CAT WRITERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.

Employer identification number

75-2536031

Pt I, Line 8:

Description: AWARDS PROVIDED BY VARIOUS ORGANIZATIONS \$11,000

Description: MISC \$3,595

Description: ADS \$450

Description: CONTEST FEES \$4,365

Description: CONFERENCE TICKETS \$3,788

Pt I, Line 16:

Description: AWARDS PAID TO THE MEMBERS \$16,000

Description: MISC EXPENSES \$362

Description: BANK FEES \$70

Description: MUSES AND PLAQUES \$1,430

Description: REFUNDS \$221

Description: DEPOSIT \$1,000

IRS e-file Signature Authorization for an Exempt Organization

For calendar year 2019, or fiscal year beginning _____, 2019, and ending _____, 20_____

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Name of exempt organization CAT WRITERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.	Employer identification number 75-2536031
Name and title of officer DEBORAH BARNES, PRESIDENT	

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, if any, from the return. If you check the box on line **1a, 2a, 3a, 4a, or 5a**, below, and the amount on that line for the return being filed with 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 one line in Part I.

1a Form 990 check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	b Total revenue , if any (Form 990, Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1b _____
2a Form 990-EZ check here ▶ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	b Total revenue , if any (Form 990-EZ, line 9)	2b <u>52,788.</u>
3a Form 1120-POL check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	b Total tax (Form 1120-POL, line 22)	3b _____
4a Form 990-PF check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	b Tax based on investment income (Form 990-PF, Part VI, line 5)	4b _____
5a Form 8868 check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	b Balance Due (Form 8868, line 3c)	5b _____

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 2019 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)** the reason for any delay in processing the return or refund, and **(c)** 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 Shojai & Johnson Enterprises, LLC to enter my PIN

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 as my signature

ERO firm name Enter five numbers, but do not enter all zeros

on the organization's tax year 2019 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 2019 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 ▶ 04/28/2020

Part III Certification and Authentication

ERO's EFIN/PIN. Enter your six-digit electronic filing identification number (EFIN) followed by your five-digit self-selected PIN.

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Do not enter all zeros

I certify that the above numeric entry is my PIN, which is my signature on the 2019 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 ▶ 04/30/2020

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Additional information from your 2019 Federal Exempt Tax Return

Form 990-EZ: Short Form Return of Organization Exempt from Income Tax

Line 1

Itemization Statement

Description	Amount
SPONSORSHIPS	21,600.
Total	21,600.

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Line 22, Column (A)

Itemization Statement

Description	Amount
CHECKING ACCOUNT	45,941.
PAY PAL	1,371.
Total	47,312.

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Line 22, Column (B)

Itemization Statement

Description	Amount
CHECKING ACCOUNT	54,149.
PAY PAL	5,427.
MISC	148.
Total	59,724.

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Officer's signature ▶ Deborah A. Barnes / President Date ▶ 04/28/2020

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