



HOUSE of REPRESENTATIVES

STATE OF MICHIGAN

Appropriations Requests for Legislatively Directed Spending Items

1. The sponsoring representative's first name:
John
2. The sponsoring representative's last name:
Roth
3. The cosponsoring representatives' names. All cosponsors must be listed. If none, please type 'n/a.' A signed letter from the sponsor approving the co-sponsorship and a signed letter from the member wishing to co-sponsor are required. Attach letters at question #9 below.
Rep. Steven Wooden
Rep. Stephanie Young
4. Name of the entity that the spending item is intended for:
Interlochen Center for the Arts
5. Physical address of the entity that the spending item is intended for:
4000 J. Maddy Pkwy, Interlochen, MI 49643
6. If there is not a specific recipient, the intended location of the project or activity:
see attached
7. Name of the representative and the district number where the legislatively directed spending item is located:
John Roth District 104 See attached for the list of the other districts impacted by the legislatively directed spending item.
8. Purpose of the legislatively directed spending item. Please include how it provides a public benefit and why it is an appropriate use of taxpayer funding. Please also demonstrate that the item does not violate Article IV, S 30 of the Michigan Constitution. The support of the LEO Symphony Grant program is especially impactful as Interlochen celebrates its centennial in 2028 as a leader in creative youth development. Over the next three years, we aspire to highlight Interlochen and our impact on the arts in our local community, across Michigan, and beyond through a series of residencies by guest artists and two major tours, including IAA young artists and alumni.

9. Attach documents here if needed:

Attachments added to the end of this file.

10. The amount of state funding requested for the legislatively directed spending item.

6000000

11. Has the legislatively directed spending item previously received any of the following types of funding? Check all that apply.

["State"]

12. Please select one of the following groups that describes the entity requesting the legislatively directed spending item:

Non-profit organization

13. For a non-profit organization, has the organization been operating within Michigan for the preceding 36 months?

Yes

14. For a non-profit organization, has the entity had a physical office within Michigan for the preceding 12 months?

Yes

15. For a non-profit organization, does the organization have a board of directors?

Yes

16. For a non-profit organization, list all the active members on the organization's board of directors and any other officers. If this question is not applicable, please type 'n/a.'

See attached

17. "I certify that neither the sponsoring representative nor the sponsoring representative's staff or immediate family has a direct or indirect pecuniary interest in the legislatively directed spending item."

Yes, this is correct

18. Anticipated start and end dates for the legislatively directed spending item:

October 2025-September 2026

19. "I hereby certify that all information provided in this request is true and accurate."

Yes



Interlochen Center for the Arts/Interlochen Arts Academy Orchestra

Value of the Department of Labor and Economic Opportunity Symphony Economic Recovery Grant

Interlochen Arts Academy (IAA) and its Orchestra operate as a part of Interlochen Center for the Arts (founded in 1928). Our Music Division has been the largest part of our Academy since its inception in 1962, and the IAA Orchestra has been widely recognized as one of the finest high school orchestras in the country for decades.

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The 2025 LEO Symphony Grant is allowing us to support this programming. The grant will be used this coming year to support a major tour with performances in Interlochen, Detroit, Philadelphia, and Boston as part of the America at 250 celebrations. These performances will feature GRAMMY® Award-winning conductor Cristian Măcelaru, world-renowned cellist Yo-Yo Ma, emerging cellist and Interlochen Arts Academy alumnus Joshua McClendon, and a new work by composer Wynton Marsalis. Our Academy Orchestra will partner with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, The Philadelphia Orchestra, and the Boston Symphony Orchestra.

The Symphony Grant has given Interlochen meaningful support for the Michigan-based performances and leveraged additional philanthropic support to pursue this larger vision. This project will bring national attention to our local community and our state, highlighting the quality of our arts and culture sector. In addition to statewide coverage, this tour has already been highlighted in the *Boston Globe*. We anticipate more positive recognition as the tour approaches in 2026. Furthermore, initiatives like this allow us to attract the finest young musicians to Interlochen, which is essential to our financial and mission health.

Recognized across the country and around the world, Interlochen is proud to be a Michigan institution. We will represent our local community and our home state with pride, and we appreciate the support of this grant program to make all of this possible.

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