

Interlochen Center for the Arts seeks a dynamic leader of the Creative Writing Program. The creative writing programs at Interlochen help young writers cultivate their talents and broaden their command of the writer's craft at all levels, preparing them for the increasing variety of writing experiences and opportunities presented by the digital world of the 21st century. The programs provide guidance, support and an extraordinary series of experiences and opportunities for young writers. The Creative Writing division benefits from a Visiting Writers series that offers students access to readings, master classes and Q&A sessions with nationally renowned writers. Recent and Upcoming Visiting Writers include Terrance Hayes, Tyehimba Jess, Carolyn Forché, Antonya Nelson, Chloe Benjamin and Marcus Wicker. Throughout the year, there are a variety of evening performances of readings given by students, faculty and guests.

Established in 1975 with a Ford Foundation grant, the Creative Writing program at Interlochen Arts Academy was the first creative writing program in an American high school. The program provides guidance, support and an extraordinary series of experiences and opportunities for young writers. Areas of study in creative writing include fiction, nonfiction, poetry, playwriting, screenwriting and a wide variety of electives. The Academy enrolls over 500 students, of which approximately 20% are international, and nearly 25% are ethnic minorities. Additionally, close to 300 out of 2500 summer camp students participate in some aspect of the summer Creative Writing Program during Camp programming.

### **Major Duties and Responsibilities**

- Teaching - partial load that varies based on time of the year
- Student Recruitment
- Hiring and supervision of creative writing faculty and staff
- Curricular oversight for the writing curriculum with particular attention to new and broadening directions and forms for the written and spoken word in today's society
- Managing departmental budget
- Oversight of the departmental literary publications
- Scheduling and engaging guest writers and readings

### **Knowledge and Experience**

- Advanced degree (MA, MFA, or PhD in Creative Writing) preferred
- Candidates must have teaching and administrative experience with knowledge of creative writing pedagogy and secondary or post-secondary education
- Professional writing experience and publishing credentials are also considered
- Candidates should be qualified to teach in a variety of genres.

**Application Process:**

Required documents for application are: Cover letter and CV/Resume with a current listing of three references.

If interested in applying please submit an application at <http://careers.interlochen.org>.

**More information about Interlochen Center for the Arts:****COMPANY DESCRIPTION**

Interlochen Center for the Arts is the recipient of the National Medal of Arts and the only organization in the world that brings together: a 2,500-student summer camp program; a 500-student fine arts boarding high school; opportunities for hundreds of adults to engage in fulfilling artistic and creative programs; two 24-hour listener-supported public radio stations (classical music and news); more than 600 arts presentations annually by students, faculty and world-renowned guest artists; a global alumni base spanning eight decades, including leaders in arts and all other endeavors. For information, visit Interlochen online at [www.interlochen.org](http://www.interlochen.org).

**Interlochen Center for the Arts MISSION...**

To engage and inspire people worldwide through excellence in educational, artistic and cultural programs, enhancing the quality of life through the universal language of the arts.

**THE CORE PURPOSE...**

To ignite lifelong passion for the arts

**THE CORE VALUES...**

Nurturing, Inspiring, Transforming, Enlightening and Enduring

**Interlochen Center for the Arts includes:***Interlochen Arts Academy*

Interlochen Arts Academy, a fine arts boarding high school, offers the highest quality artistic training combined with comprehensive college-preparatory academics. The Academy also offers post-graduate opportunities.

*Interlochen Arts Camp*

Young artists from around the world gather at Interlochen each summer to learn, create and perform alongside leading artists and instructors. Programs are offered to students in grades three through twelve.

*Interlochen College of Creative Arts*

Adult artists thrive on opportunities to learn and express themselves creatively. The College of Creative Arts offers programs in a variety of arts disciplines.

*Interlochen Public Radio*

Classical Music: 88.7 FM, Interlochen; 88.5 FM, Mackinaw City; 94.7 FM, Traverse City and 100.9 FM, East Jordan/Charlevoix

News Radio: 91.5 FM, Traverse City; 90.1 FM, Harbor Springs/Petoskey; 89.7 FM, Manistee/Ludington  
Streaming online at [ipr.interlochen.org](http://ipr.interlochen.org). Through two listener-supported broadcast services, Interlochen Public Radio (IPR) connects northwest Michigan with arts, news and culture on a global scale. IPR also gives significant focus to local and regional news, information and artists.

*Interlochen Presents*

Interlochen brings dozens of world-renowned artists to northwest Michigan, enhancing the region's position on the global arts map. Interlochen presents more than 600 events each year by students, faculty and guest artists, making Interlochen one of the nation's largest arts presenters.