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City Welcomes New Community Services Manager at the Arts and Culture Center

The City of Marquette welcomes Tiina Harris as the new Arts and Culture Center Director. She brings extensive experience connecting communities with arts and culture. Prior to joining the City she served as Educator for the Marquette Regional History Center (MRHC), where she successfully integrated performing and visual arts in all MRHC projects. From 1997-2004 she served as the Education Director for the Swedish American Museum Center in Chicago. She co-designed and managed the nation's first Children's Museum of Immigration, established a successful after school program and arts and culture summer camp, and facilitated large-scale neighborhood cultural events. She has demonstrated a commitment to outstanding original programming and an interdisciplinary approach to public outreach and exhibitions.

Harris earned a B.A. in anthropology from Michigan State University and upon graduation studied modern dance in Milwaukee and Chicago. While living in Chicago she worked as a professional dancer, where her improvisational work led her to perform with Mikhail Baryshnikov. With family roots in Negaunee, Gwinn and Marquette, Harris said, "I am honored to work in a place close to my heart. This is an incredibly culturally rich city and I am excited to continue its growth and work to ensure its vitality."

Tiina Harris, pictured at right.

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