

Interns 2012

North House is proud to welcome Beth Homa, Candace LaCrosse and Ian Barrett as our 2012 Program Interns! Their internship will begin mid February and last through the end of November. Please enjoy their summaries to gain a glimpse into their unique backgrounds and interests. We're excited to have them as part of the team.

Beth Homa

- Education – Bachelors Degree in Studio Art; Hamline University
- Hometown – St.Paul, MN

Currently Beth works as a community liaison for Health Care for the Homeless, a non-profit in Baltimore, MD. She started as a volunteer and was quickly hired on, undertaking a variety of roles in the organization. One of her most enjoyable responsibilities for the past 3 years has been facilitating the Art Expressions Group - an open art studio for homeless people, twice a week. Beth approaches life, work and art with intention, simplicity and sustainability. She is eager to leave the big city life in search of reconnecting with nature, craft and artisanship. Beth has an ambitious life goal of traveling down the Mississippi River and hopes that her experience at North House will bring her closer to making it happen.

Candace LaCrosse

- Education – Bachelors of Fine Arts in Graphic Design, minor Journalism with editing emphasis; University of Minnesota Duluth
- Hometown – Gladstone, MI

Candace found us from across the world - literally. She has been living in South Korea for close to two years, teaching English at an all girls high school. Before she took on the adventure of moving to South Korea where she knew no one, didn't know the language nor the culture, she worked for MSP Communications and the Duluth News Tribune. She is excited to bring her skills in teaching as well as communications and media to North House. Candace is eager to study timber framing, woodworking, furniture craft, boatbuilding and blacksmithing. She is looking forward to spending time baking bread and getting to know the finer points of using the wood-fired brick oven...she has a killer pizza dough recipe which I'm sure will be put to good use here!

Ian Barrett

- Education – Recreation & Tourism; Winona State University
- Hometown – St.Paul, MN

We have a sneaking suspicion Ian will feel right at home living on the shores of Lake Superior as he's no stranger to the water. Ian is an avid sailor and brings with him experience as Sailing Director at YMCA Camp Du Nord and at YMCA Camp Saint Croix. He's looking forward to taking a leadership role on Hjordis and sharing with folks his passion for sailing. He is also working towards obtaining his USCG captain's license. Besides sailing, Ian's interests for learning span boat building, timber framing, blacksmithing and photography. He hopes to be spending lots of his off time exploring the beautiful trails and lakes of Cook County.