

## HIGHLAND FUNDS I

**Supplement dated December 1, 2018 to the Summary Prospectuses for  
Highland Long/Short Equity Fund and Highland Merger Arbitrage Fund,  
and the Highland Funds I Prospectus,  
each dated October 31, 2018, as supplemented from time to time**

This supplement provides new and additional information beyond that contained in the Summary Prospectuses and Prospectus and should be read in conjunction with the Summary Prospectuses and Prospectus.

Effective immediately, Jonathan Lamensdorf will no longer serve as a portfolio manager for the Highland Long/Short Equity Fund (“Long/Short Equity Fund”) or the Highland Merger Arbitrage Fund (“Merger Arbitrage Fund”). All references to Mr. Lamensdorf contained in the Long/Short Equity Fund Summary Prospectus, Merger Arbitrage Fund Summary Prospectus and Highland Funds I Prospectus are hereby deleted.

Effective immediately, James Dondero and Michael McLochlin have been added as portfolio managers for the Long/Short Equity Fund.

Effective immediately, Bradford Heiss, Michael McLochlin and Eric Fritz have been added as portfolio managers for the Merger Arbitrage Fund.

### **Portfolio Management**

*Effective immediately, the sub-section entitled “Portfolio Management” within the summary section of the Prospectus for the Long/Short Equity Fund is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:*

Highland Capital Management Fund Advisors, L.P. serves as the investment adviser to the Fund. The primary individual portfolio managers for the Fund are:

<b><u>Portfolio Managers</u></b>	<b><u>Portfolio Manager Experience in this Fund</u></b>	<b><u>Title with Adviser</u></b>
Bradford Heiss	Less than one year	Managing Director
James Dondero	Less than one year	President and Co-Founder
Michael McLochlin	Less than one year	Managing Director

*Effective immediately, the sub-section entitled “Portfolio Management” within the summary section of the Prospectus for the Merger Arbitrage Fund is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:*

Highland Capital Management Fund Advisors, L.P. serves as the investment adviser to the Fund. The primary individual portfolio managers for the Fund are:

<b><u>Portfolio Managers</u></b>	<b><u>Portfolio Manager Experience in this Fund</u></b>	<b><u>Title with Adviser</u></b>
James Dondero	3 years <sup>(1)</sup>	President and Co-Founder
Bradford Heiss	Less than one year	Managing Director
Michael McLochlin	Less than one year	Managing Director
Eric Fritz	Less than one year	Equity Associate

(1) Includes experience in managing the Predecessor Fund.

## **Portfolio Manager Biographies**

*Effective immediately, the following paragraphs are added to the section entitled “Highland Long/Short Equity Fund” under the heading “Management of the Funds – About the Funds’ Portfolio Managers – Portfolio Manager Biographies” beginning on page 61 the Prospectus:*

Mr. Dondero is a founder and President of Highland. Formerly, Mr. Dondero served as Chief Investment Officer of Protective Life’s GIC subsidiary and helped grow the business from concept to over \$2 billion between 1989 and 1993. His portfolio management experience includes investments in mortgage-backed securities, investment grade corporate bonds, leveraged bank loans, emerging markets, derivatives, preferred stocks and common stocks. From 1985 to 1989, he managed approximately \$1 billion in fixed income funds for American Express. Prior to American Express, he completed his financial training at Morgan Guaranty Trust Company. Mr. Dondero is a Beta Gamma Sigma graduate of the University of Virginia (1984) with degrees in Accounting and Finance. Mr. Dondero has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation. Mr. Dondero is a Certified Public Accountant and a Certified Management Accountant. Mr. Dondero currently serves as Chairman for NexBank and serves on the Board of Directors of American Banknote Corporation, Texmark Timber Treasury, L.P., Cornerstone Healthcare Group and Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer.

Mr. McLochlin is a Managing Director of HCMFA’s dedicated equity funds. Prior to his current position, he was a Director of equity investments and a portfolio manager of the Highland Long/Short Equity Fund. Prior to joining HCMFA in July 2009, Mr. McLochlin spent five years as the Sector Manager responsible for Technology and Telecom at Ranger Investments, an asset management firm with approximately \$2 billion in assets under management. Prior to Ranger, Mr. McLochlin spent three years as a Senior Analyst for private equity firms Dubilier & Company and Saunders, Karp & Megrue, where he focused on analyzing, structuring and executing leveraged buyouts of middle market companies. Mr. McLochlin began his career as an investment banking analyst with Morgan Stanley. Mr. McLochlin received an M.B.A. from the University of Texas at Austin and a B.A. from Princeton University.

*Effective immediately, the following paragraphs are added to the section entitled “Highland Merger Arbitrage Fund” under the heading “Management of the Funds – About the Funds’ Portfolio Managers – Portfolio Manager Biographies” on page 62 the Prospectus:*

Mr. Heiss is a Managing Director at HCMFA. Prior to his current position, he served as a Director of equity investments. Before joining Highland Capital Management, L.P. (“Highland”) in July 2013, Mr. Heiss spent three years as a Senior Analyst and Partner at Varna Capital where he was a Generalist covering multiple sectors for the long/short equity hedge fund. Prior to Varna, Mr. Heiss spent three years as an Analyst at Maverick Capital where he covered the U.S. Financial Services sector for the \$10 billion long/short equity hedge fund. Mr. Heiss began his career at Goldman Sachs in New York, first as a Senior Analyst in the Finance Division and later as an Investment Banking Analyst in the Financial Institutions Group. Mr. Heiss holds a B.B.A. in Finance from the University of Miami and has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

Mr. McLochlin is a Managing Director of HCMFA’s dedicated equity funds. Prior to his current position, he was a Director of equity investments and a portfolio manager of the Highland Long/Short Equity Fund. Prior to joining HCMFA in July 2009, Mr. McLochlin spent five years as the Sector Manager responsible for Technology and Telecom at Ranger Investments, an asset management firm with approximately \$2 billion in assets under management. Prior to Ranger, Mr. McLochlin spent three years as a Senior Analyst for private equity firms Dubilier & Company and Saunders, Karp & Megrue, where

he focused on analyzing, structuring and executing leveraged buyouts of middle market companies. Mr. McLochlin began his career as an investment banking analyst with Morgan Stanley. Mr. McLochlin received an M.B.A. from the University of Texas at Austin and a B.A. from Princeton University.

Mr. Fritz is an Equity Associate at HCMFA. Prior to joining Highland in July 2013, Mr. Fritz worked as an investment banking analyst for Citigroup Global Markets Inc. (“Citi”). While at Citi, Mr. Fritz advised on and executed capital markets and M&A transactions in the metals & mining, heavy equipment and diversified industrials sectors. Mr. Fritz received a B.B.A. in Finance and Mathematics from the University of Notre Dame.

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THE SUMMARY PROSPECTUSES AND PROSPECTUS FOR FUTURE REFERENCE.**

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# Highland Long/Short Equity Fund

Class A HEOAX Class C HEOCX Class Z HEOZX

Before you invest, you may want to review the Fund's Statutory Prospectus, which contains more information about the Fund and its risks. You can find the Fund's Statutory Prospectus, Statement of Additional Information and other information about the Fund online at <http://highlandfunds.com/literature/>. You can also get this information at no cost by calling 1-877-665-1287 or by sending an e-mail request to [info@highlandfunds.com](mailto:info@highlandfunds.com). The Fund's Statutory Prospectus and Statement of Additional Information, both dated October 31, 2018, as supplemented, are incorporated by reference into this Summary Prospectus.

## Investment Objective

The investment objective of Highland Long/Short Equity Fund ("Highland Long/Short Equity Fund" or the "Fund") is to seek consistent, above-average total returns primarily through capital appreciation, while also attempting to preserve capital and mitigate risk through hedging activities.

## Fees and Expenses of the Fund

The following tables describe the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy and hold shares of the Fund.

You may qualify for sales charge discounts on purchases of Class A Shares if you and your family invest, or agree to invest in the future, at least \$50,000 in the Fund. More information about these and other discounts is available from your financial professional and in the "Reduced Sales Charges for Class A Shares" section on page 66 of the Fund's Prospectus and the "Programs for Reducing or Eliminating Sales Charges" section on page 95 of the Fund's Statement of Additional Information. Investors investing in the Fund through an intermediary should consult the Appendix to the Fund's Prospectus, which includes information regarding financial intermediary-specific sales charges and related discount policies that apply to purchases through certain specified intermediaries.

### Shareholder Fees (fees paid directly from your investment)

	Class A	Class C	Class Z
Maximum Sales Charge (Load) Imposed on Purchases (as a % of offering price)	5.50%	None	None
Maximum Sales Charge (Load) Imposed on Reinvested Dividends and other Distributions (as a % of offering price)	None	None	None
Maximum Deferred Sales Charge (Load) (as a % of the net asset value at the time of purchase or redemption, whichever is lower)	1.00% <sup>1</sup>	1.00% <sup>2</sup>	None
Exchange Fee	None	None	None
Redemption Fee	None	None	None

### Annual Fund Operating Expenses (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment)

	Class A	Class C	Class Z
Management fee	2.25%	2.25%	2.25%
Distribution and/or Service (12b-1) Fees	0.35%	1.00%	None
Other Expenses	1.46%	1.46%	1.46%
Interest Payments and Commitment Fees on Borrowed Funds	0.30%	0.30%	0.30%
Dividend Expense on Short Sales	0.71%	0.72%	0.72%
Remainder of Other Expenses	0.45%	0.44%	0.44%
Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses	0.07%	0.07%	0.07%
Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses <sup>3</sup>	4.13%	4.78%	3.78%
Management Fee Waiver <sup>4</sup>	-1.25%	-1.25%	-1.25%
Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses After Management Fee Waiver	2.88%	3.53%	2.53%

- <sup>1</sup> Class A Shares bought without an initial sales charge in accounts aggregating \$500,000 or more at the time of purchase are subject to a 1.00% contingent deferred sales charge ("CDSC") if the shares are sold within 18 months of purchase.
- <sup>2</sup> Class C Shares are subject to a 1% CDSC for redemptions of shares within one year of purchase. This CDSC does not apply to redemptions under a systematic withdrawal plan.
- <sup>3</sup> Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses differ from the ratios of expenses to average net assets shown in the Financial Highlights, which reflect the operating expenses of the Fund and do not include acquired fund fees and expenses.
- <sup>4</sup> Highland Capital Management Fund Advisors, L.P. ("HCMFA" or the "Adviser") has contractually agreed to waive 1.25% of the Fund's management fee. This fee waiver will continue through at least October 31, 2019, and may not be terminated prior to this date without the consent of the Fund's Board of Trustees.

### Expense Example

This Example helps you compare the cost of investing in the Fund to the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that (i) you invest \$10,000 in the Fund for the time periods indicated and then sell or redeem all your shares at the end of those periods, (ii) your investment has a 5% return each year, and (iii) operating expenses remain the same. Only the first year of each period in the Example takes into account the fee waiver described above. Your actual costs may be higher or lower.

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
Class A	\$825	\$1,629	\$2,448	\$4,557
Class C				
if you do not sell your shares	\$356	\$1,328	\$2,305	\$4,765
if you sold all your shares at the end of the period	\$456	\$1,328	\$2,305	\$4,765
Class Z	\$256	\$1,041	\$1,844	\$3,941

## Portfolio Turnover

The Fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or “turns over” its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover rate may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when Fund shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in Annual Fund Operating Expenses or in the Expense Example, affect the Fund’s performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the Fund’s portfolio turnover rate was 247% of the average value of its portfolio.

## Principal Investment Strategies

The Fund seeks to achieve its investment objective by investing at least 80% of the value of its total assets (net assets plus the amount of any borrowings for investment purposes) under normal circumstances in equity securities. Equity securities of U.S. or non-U.S. issuers in which the Fund may invest include common stocks, preferred stocks, convertible securities, depositary receipts, warrants to buy common stocks and derivatives on any of the foregoing securities. The Fund may invest in equity securities of issuers of any market capitalization and the Fund may invest in securities issued by other investment companies, including exchange-traded funds (“ETFs”). The Fund will generally take long and short positions in equity securities and the Adviser will vary the Fund’s long-short exposure over time based on its assessment of market conditions and other factors. This is not a market-neutral strategy. In addition, the Fund may invest up to 20% of the value of its assets in a wide variety of other U.S. and non-U.S. non-equity securities and financial instruments, including but not limited to bonds and other debt securities, money market instruments, illiquid securities, cash and cash equivalents. The Fund may invest up to 50% of the value of its total assets in securities of non-U.S. issuers, including emerging market issuers. Such securities may be denominated in U.S. dollars, non-U.S. currencies or multinational currency units. The reference in the Fund’s investment objective to capital preservation does not indicate that the Fund may not lose money. The Adviser seeks to employ strategies that are consistent with capital preservation, but there can be no assurance that the Adviser will be successful in doing so. The Fund may invest without limitation in warrants and may also use derivatives, primarily swaps (including equity, variance and volatility swaps), options and futures contracts on securities, interest rates, non-physical commodities and/or currencies, as substitutes

for direct investments the Fund can make. The Fund may also use derivatives such as swaps, options (including options on futures), futures, and foreign currency transactions (e.g., foreign currency swaps, futures and forwards) to any extent deemed by the Adviser to be in the best interest of the Fund, and to the extent permitted by the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the “1940 Act”), to hedge various investments for risk management and speculative purposes.

The Fund may borrow an amount up to 33 1/3% (or such other percentage permitted by law) of its total assets (including the amount borrowed) less all liabilities other than borrowings. The Fund may borrow for investment purposes, to meet redemption requests and for temporary, extraordinary or emergency purposes. The use of borrowing for investment purposes (i.e., leverage) increases both investment opportunity and investment risk. In addition, the Fund may seek additional income by making secured loans of its portfolio securities.

The Fund’s investment strategy utilizes a variety of methods to evaluate long and short equity investments of various market capitalizations to find securities that the Adviser believes offer the potential for capital gains. As part of this strategy, the Adviser seeks to invest in industries, sectors and securities that it believes are more attractive on either a relative basis or on an absolute basis. In addition to purchasing, or taking “long” positions in equity securities, the Fund’s investment strategy includes short selling, and may include investments in derivatives, ETFs, and/or fixed income securities.

In selecting investments for long positions of the Fund, the Adviser focuses on issuers that it believes: (i) have strong, free cash flow and pay regular dividends; (ii) have potential for long-term earnings per share growth; (iii) may be subject to a value catalyst, such as industry developments, regulatory changes, changes in management, sale or spinoff of a division or the development of a profitable new business; (iv) are well-managed; and (v) will benefit from sustainable long-term economic dynamics, such as globalization of an issuer’s industry or an issuer’s increased focus on productivity or enhancement of services. The Adviser seeks to invest in the common equity of companies that the Adviser believes are trading below their intrinsic value. To do so, the Adviser will typically perform fundamental investment analysis, which may involve comparing the value of the company’s common equity to that of its: (a) historical and/or expected cash flows; (b) historical and/or expected growth rates; (c) historical and/or expected strategic positioning; and (d) historical and/or current valuation on an absolute basis or relative to its industry, the overall market and/or historical valuation levels. The Adviser may purchase securities of a company that the Adviser believes: (i) is undervalued relative to normalized business and industry fundamentals or to the expected growth that the Adviser believes the company will achieve; (ii) has assets not fully valued by the marketplace; (iii) is

experiencing strong underlying secular growth trends or strong visibility into growth prospects; (iv) has earnings estimates that the Adviser believes are too low or has the potential for long-term earnings growth; (v) has strong competitive barriers to entry; (vi) is experiencing strong business fundamentals; (vii) has a strong management team; (viii) will see increased multiple expansion or will benefit from sustainable economic dynamics; and/or (ix) may be subject to an identifiable catalyst that the Adviser believes will unlock value. The Adviser will typically focus on companies that are exhibiting one or more of these indicators. Technical analysis may also be used to help in the decision making process.

The Adviser may sell short securities of a company that the Adviser believes: (i) is overvalued relative to normalized business and industry fundamentals or to the expected growth that the Adviser believes the company will achieve; (ii) has a faulty business model; (iii) engages in questionable accounting practices; (iv) shows declining cash flow and/or liquidity; (v) has earnings estimates that the Adviser believes are too high; (vi) has weak competitive barriers to entry; (vii) suffers from deteriorating industry and/or business fundamentals; (viii) has a weak management team; (ix) will see multiple contraction; (x) is not adapting to changes in technological, regulatory or competitive environments; or (xi) provides a hedge against the Fund's long exposure, such as a broad based market ETF. Technical analysis may be used to help in the decision making process.

The Adviser generates investment ideas from a variety of different sources. These include, but are not limited to, screening software using both fundamental and technical factors, industry and company contacts, consultants, company press releases, company conference calls, buy-side contacts, sell-side contacts, brokers, third-party research, independent research of financial and corporate information, and news services. The Adviser will make investment decisions based on its analysis of a security's value, and will also take into account its view of macroeconomic conditions and industry trends. The Adviser will make investments without regard to a company's level of capitalization or the expected tax consequences of the investment (short or long term capital gains).

Once an investment opportunity is determined to be attractive as a stand-alone investment, the Adviser will evaluate the effect of adding that investment to the Fund's portfolio. In doing so, the Adviser will seek to minimize the market-related portfolio volatility as well as the risk of a capital loss by hedging such risks primarily by short selling, and, to a lesser extent, through the use of derivatives.

The Fund is a non-diversified fund as defined in the 1940 Act but it intends to adhere to the diversification requirements applicable to regulated investment companies ("RICs") under Subchapter M of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"). The Fund is not intended to be a complete investment program.

The Adviser expects that the Fund's active or frequent trading of portfolio securities will result in a portfolio turnover rate in excess of 100% on an annual basis. As a result, the Fund may be more likely to realize capital gains, including short-term capital gains taxable as ordinary income, that must be distributed to shareholders as taxable income. High turnover may also cause the Fund to pay more brokerage commissions and to incur other transaction costs, which may detract from performance. The Fund's portfolio turnover rate and the amount of brokerage commissions and transaction costs it incurs will vary over time based on market conditions.

### Principal Risks

When you sell Fund shares, they may be worth less than what you paid for them. Consequently, you can lose money by investing in the Fund. No assurance can be given that the Fund will achieve its investment objective, and investment results may vary substantially over time and from period to period. An investment in the Fund is not appropriate for all investors.

An investment in the Fund is not a deposit of any bank and is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) or any other government agency.

**Counterparty Risk** is the risk that a counterparty (the other party to a transaction or an agreement or the party with whom the Fund executes transactions) to a transaction with the Fund may be unable or unwilling to make timely principal, interest or settlement payments, or otherwise honor its obligations.

**Credit Risk** is the risk that the issuers of certain securities or the counterparties of a derivatives contract or repurchase contract might be unable or unwilling (or perceived as being unable or unwilling) to make interest and/or principal payments when due, or to otherwise honor its obligations. Debt securities are subject to the risk of non-payment of scheduled interest and/or principal. Non-payment would result in a reduction of income to the Fund, a reduction in the value of the obligation experiencing non-payment and a potential decrease in the net asset value ("NAV") of the Fund.

**Currency Risk** is the risk that fluctuations in exchange rates will adversely affect the value of the Fund's foreign currency holdings and investments denominated in foreign currencies.

**Debt Securities Risk** is the risk associated with the fact that the value of debt securities typically changes in response to various factors, including, by way of example, market-related factors (such as changes in interest rates or changes in the risk appetite of investors generally) and changes in the actual or perceived ability of the issuer (or of issuers generally) to meet its (or their) obligations. During periods of rising interest rates, debt securities generally decline in value. Conversely, during periods of falling interest rates, debt securities generally rise in value. This kind of market risk is generally greater for funds investing in debt securities with longer maturities.

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**Derivatives Risk** is a combination of several risks, including the risks that: (1) an investment in a derivative instrument may not correlate well with the performance of the securities or asset class to which the Fund seeks exposure, (2) derivative contracts, including options, may expire worthless and the use of derivatives may result in losses to the Fund, (3) a derivative instrument entailing leverage may result in a loss greater than the principal amount invested, (4) derivatives not traded on an exchange may be subject to credit risk, for example, if the counterparty does not meet its obligations (see also “Counterparty Risk”), and (5) derivatives not traded on an exchange may be subject to liquidity risk and the related risk that the instrument is difficult or impossible to value accurately. As a general matter, when the Fund establishes certain derivative instrument positions, such as certain futures, options and forward contract positions, it will segregate liquid assets (such as cash, U.S. Treasury bonds or commercial paper) equivalent to the Fund’s outstanding obligations under the contract or in connection with the position. In addition, changes in laws or regulations may make the use of derivatives more costly, may limit the availability of derivatives, or may otherwise adversely affect the use, value or performance of derivatives.

**Emerging Markets Risk** is the risk of investing in securities of issuers tied economically to emerging markets, which entails all of the risks of investing in securities of non-U.S. issuers detailed below under “Non-U.S. Securities Risk” to a heightened degree. These heightened risks include: (i) greater risks of expropriation, confiscatory taxation, nationalization, and less social, political and economic stability; (ii) the smaller size of the markets for such securities and a lower volume of trading, resulting in lack of liquidity and in price volatility; (iii) greater fluctuations in currency exchange rates; and (iv) certain national policies that may restrict the Fund’s investment opportunities, including restrictions on investing in issuers or industries deemed sensitive to relevant national interests.

**Equity Securities Risk** is the risk that stock prices will fall over short or long periods of time. In addition, common stocks represent a share of ownership in a company, and rank after bonds and preferred stock in their claim on the company’s assets in the event of bankruptcy.

**Exchange-Traded Funds (“ETF”) Risk** is the risk that the price movement of an ETF may not exactly track the underlying index and may result in a loss. In addition, shareholders bear both their proportionate share of the Fund’s expenses and similar expenses of the underlying investment company when the Fund invests in shares of another investment company.

**Hedging Risk** is the risk that, although intended to limit or reduce investment risk, hedging strategies may also limit or reduce the potential for profit. There is no assurance that hedging strategies will be successful.

**Illiquid and Restricted Securities Risk** is the risk that the Adviser may not be able to sell illiquid or restricted securities, such as securities issued pursuant to Rule 144A of the Securities Act of 1933, at the price it would like or may have to sell them at a loss. Securities of non-U.S. issuers, and emerging or developing markets securities in particular, are subject to greater liquidity risk.

**Interest Rate Risk** is the risk that fixed income securities will decline in value because of changes in interest rates. When interest rates decline, the value of fixed rate securities already held by the Fund can be expected to rise. Conversely, when interest rates rise, the value of existing fixed rate portfolio securities can be expected to decline. A fund with a longer average portfolio duration will be more sensitive to changes in interest rates than a fund with a shorter average portfolio duration.

**Leverage Risk** is the risk associated with the use of leverage for investment purposes to create opportunities for greater total returns. Any investment income or gains earned with respect to the amounts borrowed that are in excess of the interest that is due on the borrowing will augment the Fund’s income. Conversely, if the investment performance with respect to the amounts borrowed fails to cover the interest on such borrowings, the value of the Fund’s shares may decrease more quickly than would otherwise be the case. Interest payments and fees incurred in connection with such borrowings will reduce the amount of net income available for payment to Fund shareholders.

**Liquidity Risk** is the risk that low trading volume, lack of a market maker, large position size, or legal restrictions (including daily price fluctuation limits or “circuit breakers”) limits or prevents the Fund from selling particular securities or unwinding derivative positions at desirable prices. At times, a major portion of any portfolio security may be held by relatively few institutional purchasers. Even if the Fund considers such securities liquid because of the availability of an institutional market, such securities may become difficult to value or sell in adverse market or economic conditions.

**Management Risk** is the risk associated with the fact that the Fund relies on the Adviser’s ability to achieve its investment objective. The Adviser may be incorrect in its assessment of the intrinsic value of the companies whose securities the Fund holds, which may result in a decline in the value of Fund shares and failure to achieve its investment objective. The Fund’s portfolio managers use qualitative analyses and/or models. Any imperfections or limitations in such analyses and models could affect the ability of the portfolio managers to implement strategies.

**Mid-Cap Company Risk** is the risk that investing in securities of mid-cap companies may entail greater risks than investments in larger, more established companies. Mid-cap companies tend to have more narrow product lines, more

limited financial resources and a more limited trading market for their stocks, as compared with larger companies. As a result, their stock prices may decline significantly as market conditions change.

**Non-Diversification Risk** is the risk that an investment in the Fund could fluctuate in value more than an investment in a diversified fund. As a non-diversified fund for purposes of the 1940 Act, the Fund may invest a larger portion of its assets in the securities of fewer issuers than a diversified fund. The Fund's investment in fewer issuers may result in the Fund's shares being more sensitive to the economic results of those issuers. An investment in the Fund could fluctuate in value more than an investment in a diversified fund.

**Non-U.S. Securities Risk** is the risk associated with investing in non-U.S. issuers. Investments in securities of non-U.S. issuers involve certain risks not involved in domestic investments (for example, fluctuations in foreign exchange rates (for non-U.S. securities not denominated in U.S. dollars); future foreign economic, financial, political and social developments; nationalization; exploration or confiscatory taxation; smaller markets; different trading and settlement practices; less governmental supervision; and different accounting, auditing and financial recordkeeping standards and requirements) that may result in the Fund experiencing more rapid and extreme changes in value than a fund that invests exclusively in securities of U.S. companies. These risks are magnified for investments in issuers tied economically to emerging markets, the economies of which tend to be more volatile than the economies of developed markets. In addition, certain investments in non-U.S. securities may be subject to foreign withholding and other taxes on interest, dividends, capital gains or other income or proceeds. Those taxes will reduce the Fund's yield on any such securities. See the "Taxation" section below.

**Operational and Technology Risk** is the risk that cyber-attacks, disruptions, or failures that affect the Fund's service providers, counterparties, market participants, or issuers of securities held by the Fund may adversely affect the Fund and its shareholders, including by causing losses for the Fund or impairing Fund operations.

**Options Risk** is the risk associated with investments in options. Options, such as covered calls and covered puts, are subject to the risk that significant differences between the securities and options markets could result in an imperfect correlation between these markets.

**Portfolio Turnover Risk** is the risk that the Fund's high portfolio turnover will increase the Fund's transaction costs and may result in increased realization of net short-term capital gains (which are taxable to shareholders as ordinary income when distributed to them), higher taxable distributions and lower after-tax performance. During the last two fiscal years, the Fund experienced a high portfolio turnover rate.

**Risk of Substantial Redemptions** is the risk that if substantial numbers of shares in the Fund were to be redeemed at the same time or at approximately the same time, the Fund might be required to liquidate a significant portion of its investment portfolio quickly to meet the redemptions. The Fund might be forced to sell portfolio securities at prices or at times when it would otherwise not have sold them.

**Securities Lending Risk.** The Fund may make secured loans of its portfolio securities. Any decline in the value of a portfolio security that occurs while the security is out on loan is borne by the Fund, and will adversely affect performance. Also, there may be delays in recovery of securities loaned, losses in the investment of collateral, and loss of rights in the collateral should the borrower of the securities fail financially while holding the security.

**Securities Market Risk** is the risk that the value of securities owned by the Fund may go up or down, sometimes rapidly or unpredictably, due to factors affecting particular companies or the securities markets generally. A general downturn in the securities market may cause multiple asset classes to decline in value simultaneously. Many factors can affect this value and you may lose money by investing in the Fund.

**Short Sales Risk** is the risk of loss associated with any appreciation on the price of a security borrowed in connection with a short sale. The Fund may engage in short sales that are not made "against-the-box," which means that the Fund may sell short securities even when they are not actually owned or otherwise covered at all times during the period the short position is open. Short sales that are not made "against-the-box" involve unlimited loss potential since the market price of securities sold short may continuously increase.

**Small-Cap Company Risk** is the risk that investing in the securities of small-cap companies either directly or indirectly through investments in ETFs, closed-end funds or mutual funds ("Underlying Funds") may pose greater market and liquidity risks than larger, more established companies, because of limited product lines and/or operating history, limited financial resources, limited trading markets, and the potential lack of management depth. In addition, the securities of such companies are typically more volatile than securities of larger capitalization companies.

**Swaps Risk** involves both the risks associated with an investment in the underlying investments or instruments (including equity investments) and counterparty risk. In a standard over-the-counter ("OTC") swap transaction, two parties agree to exchange the returns, differentials in rates of return or some other amount calculated based on the "notional amount" of predetermined investments or instruments, which may be adjusted for an interest factor. Swaps can involve greater risks than direct investments in securities, because swaps may be leveraged and OTC swaps are subject to counterparty risk (e.g., the risk of a

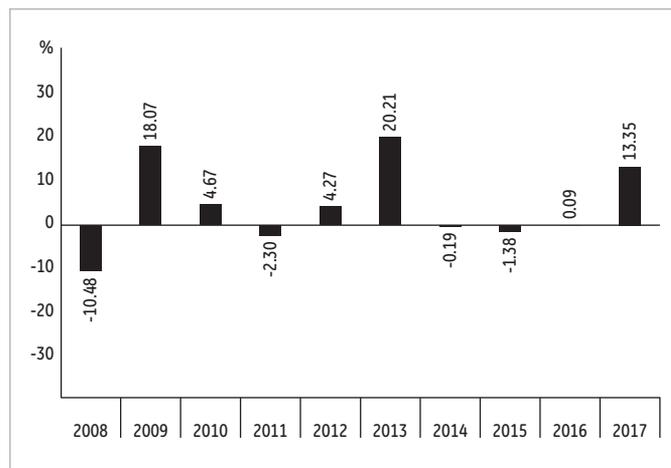
counterparty's defaulting on the obligation or bankruptcy), credit risk and pricing risk (i.e., swaps may be difficult to value). Swaps may also be considered illiquid. Certain swap transactions, including interest rate swaps and index credit default swaps, may be subject to mandatory clearing and exchange trading, although the swaps in which the Fund will invest are not currently subject to mandatory clearing and exchange trading. The use of swaps is a highly specialized activity which involves investment techniques, risk analyses and tax planning different from those associated with ordinary portfolio securities transactions. The value of swaps, like many other derivatives, may move in unexpected ways and may result in losses for the Fund.

### Performance

The bar chart and the Average Annual Total Returns table below provide some indication of the risks of investing in the Fund by showing changes in the performance of the Fund's Class A Shares for each full calendar year and by showing how the Fund's average annual returns compare with the returns of a broad-based securities market index or indices. As with all mutual funds, the Fund's past performance (before and after taxes) does not predict how the Fund will perform in the future. The Fund's performance reflects applicable fee waivers and/or expense limitations in effect during the periods presented, without which returns would have been lower. Both the chart and the table assume the reinvestment of dividends and distributions. The bar chart does not reflect the deduction of applicable sales charges for Class A Shares. If sales charges had been reflected, the returns for Class A Shares would be less than those shown below. The returns of Class C and Class Z Shares would have substantially similar returns as Class A because the classes are invested in the same portfolio of securities and the annual returns would differ only to the extent that the classes have different expenses. Updated information on the Fund's performance can be obtained by visiting <http://highlandfunds.com/highland-funds-2/> or by calling 1-877-665-1287.

### Calendar Year Total Returns

The bar chart shows the performance of the Fund's Class A shares as of December 31.



The highest calendar quarter total return for Class A Shares of the Fund was 10.42% for the quarter ended September 30, 2009 and the lowest calendar quarter total return was -5.59% for the quarter ended September 30, 2008. The Fund's year-to-date total return for Class A Shares through September 30, 2018 was 4.24%.

### Average Annual Total Returns

(For the periods ended December 31, 2017)

	1 Year	5 Years	10 Years
<b>Class A (inception 12/5/06)</b>			
Return Before Taxes	7.09%	4.87%	3.64%
Return After Taxes on Distributions	6.31%	3.44%	2.69%
Return After Taxes on Distributions and Sale of Fund Shares	4.45%	3.18%	2.46%
<b>Return Before Taxes</b>			
Class C (inception 12/5/06)	11.66%	5.37%	3.59%
Class Z (inception 12/5/06)	13.82%	6.45%	4.58%
<b>Standard &amp; Poor's 500 Index</b> (reflects no deduction for fees, expenses or taxes) (inception 12/5/06)	21.89%	15.79%	8.49%

After-tax returns in the table above are shown for Class A Shares only and after-tax returns for other share classes will vary. After-tax returns are calculated using the historical highest individual federal marginal income tax rates and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Actual after-tax returns depend on an investor's tax situation and may differ from those shown. For example, after-tax returns shown are not relevant to investors who hold their Fund shares through tax-advantaged arrangements, such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts.

In some cases, average annual return after taxes on distributions and sale of fund shares is higher than the average annual return after taxes on distributions because of realized losses that would have been sustained upon the sale of fund shares immediately after the relevant periods. The calculations assume that an investor holds the shares in a taxable account, is in the actual historical highest individual federal marginal income tax bracket for each year and would have been able to immediately utilize the full realized loss to reduce his or her federal tax liability. However, actual individual tax results may vary and investors should consult their tax advisers regarding their personal tax situations.

### Portfolio Management

Highland Capital Management Fund Advisors, L.P. serves as the investment adviser to the Fund. The primary individual portfolio managers for the Fund are:

Portfolio Managers	Portfolio Manager	
	Experience in this Fund	Title with Adviser
Jonathan Lamensdorf	10 years	Managing Director
Bradford Heiss	Less than 1 year	Managing Director

### Purchase and Sale of Fund Shares

#### **Purchase Minimums**

Initial Investment	\$2,500
Subsequent Investments	\$ 50

You may purchase shares of the Fund by mail, bank wire, electronic funds transfer or by telephone after you have opened an account with the Fund. You may obtain an account application from your financial intermediary, from the Fund by calling 1-877-665-1287 or from the Fund's website at <http://highlandfunds.com/literature>.

In general, you may sell (redeem) all or part of your Fund shares on any business day through the following options:

- Through your Financial Intermediary
- By writing to Highland Funds I — Highland Long/Short Equity Fund, PO Box 219424, Kansas City, Missouri 64121-9424, or
- By calling DST Asset Manager Solutions, Inc. at 1-877-665-1287

Financial intermediaries may independently charge fees for shareholder transactions or for advisory services. Please see their materials for details.

### Tax Information

The Fund intends to make distributions that generally will be taxable to you as ordinary income, qualified dividend income or capital gains, unless you are a tax-exempt investor or otherwise investing in the Fund through a tax-advantaged arrangement, such as a 401(k) plan or an individual

retirement account. If you are investing in the Fund through a tax-advantaged arrangement, you may be taxed later upon withdrawals from that arrangement.

### Payments to Broker-Dealers and Other Financial Intermediaries

If you purchase shares of the Fund through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), the Fund and its related companies may pay the intermediary for the sale of Fund shares and related services. These payments may create a conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your salesperson to recommend the Fund over another investment. Ask your salesperson or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.

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