

KENTUCKY OPERA



STUDENT FINAL DRESS REHEARSAL PROGRAM

This popular program offers students the unique opportunity to attend the final dress rehearsal of a Kentucky Opera production. Study guides are available on-line and in print and will prepare you for what you will see on stage. This program is designed for students from third grade through college. All final dress rehearsals take place at the Brown Theatre and begin at 7pm. There is no late seating. Tickets are \$5 and available through Kentucky Opera's Education Department. This program sells out quickly.

2009 *Final Dress Rehearsal* dates:

LA TRAVIATA – Wednesday, September 23

OF MICE AND MEN – Wednesday, October 28

HANSEL AND GRETEL – Wednesday, November 18

STUDENT TICKETS

Opera tickets are always available to students for a flat rate of \$20 for any performance with valid student identification. Students are encouraged to download a study guide with information about the opera and are invited to attend the *Opera Preview* before the performance as well as other activities surrounding the performances.

OPERA BOUND

Kentucky Opera's Education Department launches a new literary program to tie a season's opera production to its counterpart in literature.

The BROWN-FORMAN 2009 FALL SEASON *Opera Bound* focuses on Carlisle Floyd's *OF MICE AND MEN* and its origin in John Steinbeck's novella. Kentucky Opera, along with several community and school organizations, provides opportunities for students and adults to experience *OF MICE AND MEN* through multiple art forms and discussions.

Opera Bound Partners: Walden Theatre, Every 1 Reads, Louisville Free Public Library, National Center for Family Literacy, JCPS and the JCPS Ahrens Adult Education Center, The Speed Art Museum, the University of Louisville's Ekstrom Library and The Commonwealth Center for the Humanities and Society.

DISTANCE LEARNING/INTERNET2 INITIATIVE

Select education programs are available for both students and adults throughout Kentucky via the Internet2 Initiative. These programs include school tour performances, Opera 101, Composer Workshop and the Owensboro concert performance of *MADAMA BUTTERFLY* on Saturday, November 7, 2009 at 7:30pm. For more information visit: i2.ky.gov/educators

FALL IN-SCHOOL TOUR



Kentucky Opera tours two shows in fall 2009: one for elementary schools and one for middle and high schools. All school tours support elementary, middle and high school core curriculum.

Both shows are presented by Kentucky Opera *Studio Artists* and introduce K-12 students to the world of opera with a setting in their own school. Study guides are available on-line and in print and include information about the show and general opera information, as well as other interdisciplinary subjects, activities and projects. This program is available September through November 2009. Elementary, Middle and High School Students: \$500

Opera Soup: A fun and educational program for elementary students that highlights all the ingredients that go into making an opera.

How Opera Works featuring *CARMEN*: This program takes middle and high school students through a condensed version of *CARMEN* while also providing insight and information into how opera is created.

WINTER IN-SCHOOL TOUR



In January and February 2010, Kentucky Opera tours a special presentation of *OH FREEDOM!* From slavery to modern times, *OH FREEDOM!* celebrates the cultural and musical heritage of African-Americans. In-school performances are available January 19-February 12, 2010. Elementary, Middle and High School Students: \$500

CELEBRATE YOUR DREAM

The Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. concert
Sunday, January 17 • 4:30pm
St. Stephens Baptist Church, 1008 South 15th Street
Seating is limited. Free event.

Featuring the Kentucky Opera *Studio Artists*, Composer Harry Pickens, Walden Theatre, The River City Drum Corps, The Community Children's Choir, student musicians and dancers from LCCC & Arts Reach, Voices of Kentuckiana and many more!

STUDY GUIDES FOR TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

Study guides are given to teachers to help them prepare their students for attending an opera performance and to assist them in incorporating opera education into their classroom curriculum. Study Guides include information about the composer, librettists, historical circumstances of the composition, relevant articles for multi-curricular applications and suggested pre- and post- performance activities. All study guides are available on the Kentucky Opera web site (KYOpera.org) under Education.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT SUPPORTED CORE CURRICULUM,
PLEASE VISIT KYOPERA.ORG FOR A COMPLETE LISTING.



CONTACT DEANNA HOYING FOR MORE INFORMATION AT 502.584.4500 OR
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Please contact me with more information about the following programs: (check all that apply)

- Student *Final Dress Rehearsal* Program
- Fall In-School Tour
- Winter In-School Tour
- Opera Bound*
- Distance Learning
- Composer Workshop*
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- Opera 101

Name: _____

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Mail request to: Kentucky Opera
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LUNCH & LISTEN

Broadcast live through a partnership with MetroTV and WUOL 90.5 FM at the Louisville Public Media studios, you get the unique opportunity to hear main stage artists and Kentucky Opera *Studio Artists* performing live selections from the upcoming opera production. Kentucky Opera General Director David Roth provides commentary and interviews. *Lunch & Listen* broadcasts begin at noon. A box lunch from City Cafe is available. Call 502.585.9402 for reservations.

2009 *Lunch & Listen* dates:

- LA TRAVIATA – Wednesday, September 9
- OF MICE AND MEN – Wednesday, October 14
- HANSEL AND GRETEL – Wednesday, November 4

SIGHTS & SOUNDS

Partnering with The Speed Art Museum, we tie the opera production into a visual arts style or movement and feature live operatic excerpts performed by Kentucky Opera's *Studio Artists*. Hosted by The Speed Art Museum's Director of Education and Kentucky Opera's Director of Education, *Sights & Sounds* also features guest lecturers from around Kentuckiana. All *Sights & Sounds* begin at 1pm.

2009 *Sights & Sounds* dates:

- LA TRAVIATA – Sunday, September 13
- HANSEL AND GRETEL – Sunday, November 8

OPERA PREVIEW



One hour before curtain for all performances, former Kentucky Opera General Director Thomson Smillie and Kentucky Opera Director of Education Deanna Hoying host pre-performance lectures to broaden your opera experience. You are introduced to the history and structure of the opera,

musical themes to listen for and dramatic elements to watch. These lectures are held at the Brown Theatre.

OPERA BOUND CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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| Sept 9 • 7pm | Main Branch of Louisville Free Public Library Performances by Walden Theatre & Kentucky Opera <i>Studio Artists</i> |
| Sept 13 • 5pm | Walden Theatre movie screening OF MICE AND MEN (1939) featuring Burgess Meredith |
| Sept 26 • 2pm & 7:30pm | Walden Theatre performances Play version OF MICE AND MEN |
| Oct 3 • 2pm & 7:30pm | Walden Theatre performances Play version OF MICE AND MEN |
| Oct 3 • 5:30pm | Special lecture at Walden Theatre |
| Oct 14 • 12pm | <i>Lunch & Listen</i> , part of WUOL Lunch Time Classics live broadcast |
| Oct 25 • 1pm | The Speed Art Museum movie screening OF MICE AND MEN (1992) featuring Gary Sinise & John Malkovich |
| Oct 28 • 6:15pm | Backstage tour of Brown Theatre for NCFL/JCPS GED students |
| Oct 28 • 7pm | OF MICE AND MEN Final Dress Rehearsal |

OPERA 101

Opera 101 is an intro to opera offered through the JCPS Adult & Continuing Education/Lifelong Learning Program and taught by Kentucky Opera's Director of Education, Deanna Hoying. Classes begin Saturday, August 29 with the final class on Wednesday, September 23 at the Final Dress Rehearsal of LA TRAVIATA. Classes include information on the season's operas as well as opera history, terminology, theatre craft and other interdisciplinary information.

To register for this class, contact Suzy Walker, Coordinator, JCPS Adult & Continuing Education/Lifelong Learning Program at 502.485.6774.

COMPOSER WORKSHOP



This collaborative program invites an American opera composer to Louisville to provide coaching and master classes with Kentucky Opera *Studio Artists*, University of Louisville voice

students and students from the Academy of Music at St. Francis in the Fields.

We are pleased to feature Ben Moore as our 2009 Composer-in-Residence. Mr. Moore is an internationally recognized composer whose music has been performed by Deborah Voigt, Susan Graham, Frederica von Stade, Nathan Gunn, Audra McDonald and the late Jerry Hadley.

The 2009 *Composer Workshop* residency takes place September 25 through October 3, 2009. A special concert of the week's work will be presented October 3 at the University of Louisville School of Music's Margaret Comstock Concert Hall at 8pm.

Composer Workshop Partners: The University of Louisville's School of Music and the Academy of Music at St. Francis in the Fields.

CHOW AT THE CHAO

University of Louisville faculty and Kentucky Opera's *Studio Artists* present a fun and interactive discussion about opera (with live operatic excerpts) during lunch time in the Chao Auditorium of the U of L Ekstrom Library. Dates TBA.



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