

Opera San Jose announces 30th season

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Founder and General Director Irene Dalis is preparing to lead Opera San Jose into its 30th season.
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'Falstaff' to open season in San Jose
Opera San Jose's 30th anniversary season lifts off Sept. 7 at the California Theatre with Verdi's "Falstaff," starring baritone **Scott Beardan**, a former Opera San Jose resident artist, in the title role.

The company, under the longtime leadership of **Irene Dalis**, will follow "Falstaff" with

Humperdinck's "Hansel and Gretel," Puccini's "Madama Butterfly" and Mozart's "Don Giovanni."

The company's principal artists will be heard throughout the 2013-14 season: sopranos **Melody King** and **Cecilia Violetta López**, mezzos **Nicole Birkland** and **Tori Grayum**, tenor **James Callon**, baritone **Evan Brummel** and bass **Matthew Anchel**.

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The Sonoma residency, the first for the academy, is a partnership with Carnegie, which shares a chairman of the board with the Green Music Center, financier and philanthropist **Sandy Weill**. The trio meets the Sonoma music folk after **Yo-Yo Ma's** concert Saturday at the center's **Weill Hall**.

For more information, go to www.gmc.sonoma.edu.

Milos in Berkeley

If you missed the hot young Montenegrin classical guitarist **Milos** when the **California Institute of Integral Studies** put on his Northern California premiere two years ago at **Herbst Theatre**, **Cal Performances** presents him in recital at Berkeley's **First Congregational Church** Feb. 19, playing music by **Bach**, **Villa-Lobos**, **Jorge Cardoso** and others. Since you asked, his last name is **Karadaglic**.

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