

Opera SAN JOSÉ

2019 | 2020 SEASON



LET US TELL YOU A STORY...

Hansel and Gretel

BY ENGELBERT HUMPERDINCK

Il trovatore

BY GIUSEPPE VERDI

The Magic Flute

BY WOLFGANG AMADEUS MOZART

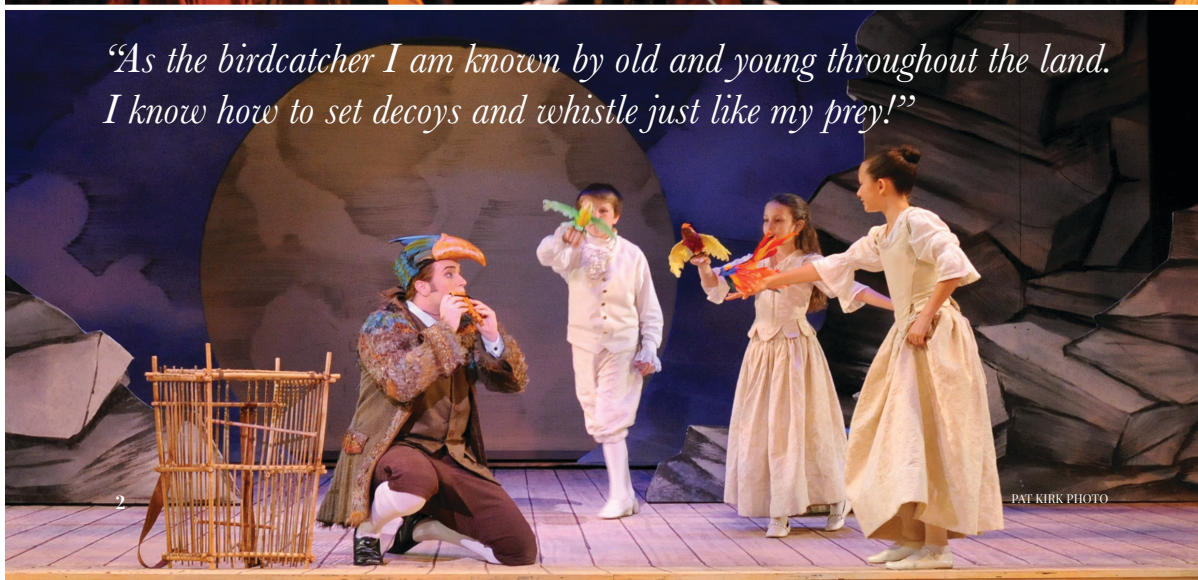
*"Work again?
No, not for me!
That's not my idea at all;
it does not suit me!
It's such a bore!
Dancing is jollier far,
I'm sure!"*



*"Surrounded by killers,
a woman comes forward!"*



*"As the birdcatcher I am known by old and young throughout the land.
I know how to set decoys and whistle just like my prey!"*



Hansel and Gretel

BY ENGELBERT HUMPERDINCK

NOVEMBER | DECEMBER 2019 Performances

Saturday 16th, Sunday 17th, Thursday 21st, Sunday 24th, Tuesday 26th, Sunday Dec. 1st

Synopsis: This enduring fairy tale of lost children, candy sweets and an evil witch comes to life in an enchanting holiday production of Engelbert Humperdinck's *Hansel and Gretel*.

SUNG IN ENGLISH WITH ENGLISH SUPERTITLES

Engelbert Humperdinck, Composer

Adelheid Wette, Librettist

Joseph Marcheso, Conductor

Layna Chianakas, Stage Director



Il trovatore

BY GIUSEPPE VERDI

FEBRUARY | MARCH 2020 Performances

Saturday 15th, Sunday 16th, Thursday 20th, Sunday 23th, Friday 28th, Sunday Mar. 1st

Synopsis: This powerful melodrama set in 15th-century Spain has it all: vengeance, war, jealousy, and passion with an emotional, heart-stopping score including one of the most famous choral melodies ever written, the "Anvil Chorus."

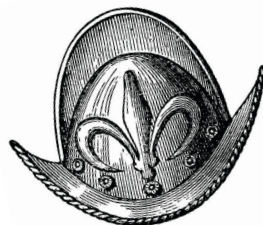
SUNG IN ITALIAN WITH ENGLISH SUPERTITLES

Giuseppe Verdi, Composer

Salvadore Cammarano, Librettist

Joseph Marcheso, Conductor

Brad Dalton, Stage Director



The Magic Flute

BY WOLFGANG AMADEUS MOZART

APRIL | MAY 2020 Performances

Saturday 18th, Sunday 19th, Thursday 23rd, Sunday 26th, Friday May 1st, Sunday May 3rd

Synopsis: Mozart's fantastical and comical tale draws you into a world of magic fantasy, complete with a giant serpent, a secret brotherhood, and a lovesick bird catcher.

SUNG IN GERMAN WITH ENGLISH SUPERTITLES

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, Composer

Emanuel Schikaneder, Librettist

Donato Cabrera, Conductor

Brad Dalton, Stage Director



YOUR SUBSCRIBER ADVANTAGES

FREE PREVIEWS

NOVEMBER 5, 2019

Hansel and Gretel

FEBRUARY 4, 2020

Il trovatore

APRIL 7, 2020

The Magic Flute

Opera San José will host FREE previews of each opera production on the 3rd floor of the California Theatre in downtown San Jose from noon to 1:00PM on the Tuesday, one week prior to the opening of each opera.

INTRODUCTION TO OPERA

PRIOR TO EVERY PERFORMANCE

Before each performance in the California Theatre, General Director Larry Hancock will share his thoughts on the opera, discuss the plot, characters, the composer, and answer your questions, greatly enriching your opera experience.

Each 45-minute Introduction to Opera is FREE with performance ticket. 6:30PM prior to evening performances; 1:30PM prior to Sunday matinées.

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You'll receive significant savings over individual ticket prices by purchasing the entire season at once. Choose a series and save up to 55%.

FREE, EASY EXCHANGES

If your schedule changes, it's easy to exchange your seats for another date of the same opera. We will do our best to find you comparable seats. 48-hour notice is required

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BRING A FRIEND

As a new three-show subscriber, Opera San José would like to offer you 1 free ticket of the same or lesser seating section to one of the shows that you attend. This is a limited time offer and some restrictions apply.

WE ARE EXCITED TO CONTINUE OUR 2019 | 2020 SEASON

As we near the holiday season, Opera San José will mount Humperdinck's *Hansel and Gretel* with its rich score, inspired by the sophisticated orchestrations of Wagner. This is the perfect work to introduce little ones to opera, because the sophisticated music is also satisfying for adult palates. A not-very-scary tale of two children overcoming a bumbling witch and freeing all the gingerbread children from her fearful spell is captivating, and children will be especially attentive as they see other children on stage as angels and gingerbread cookies. Of course, the singing will be captivating for everyone. OSJ Music Director Joseph Marcheso will conduct this, one of his favorite scores, and Layna Chianakas will direct.

Verdi's *Il trovatore* has long been a staple of opera houses all over the world, and OSJ has produced it only rarely, as it requires rare voices. We look forward to presenting a cast of accomplished artists who will sing under Music Director Joseph Marcheso's baton, and be directed by a truly insightful stage director Brad Dalton. As an aside, this is an opera that helped make Irene Dalis, our founder, one of the most celebrated dramatic mezzo sopranos in the world.

Mozart's fairy-book opera, *The Magic Flute*—complete with dragon and forest creatures, an evil queen and saintly father figure—will bring the season to a close. Stage direction by Brad Dalton will ensure clear and affecting acting, and conductor Donato Cabrera, making his Opera San José debut, will conduct this timelessly classic score, Mozart's most mature and popular opera. Featuring an enormous cast and truly unique sets and costumes, this *Magic Flute* will provide an uplifting close to a season we hope will bring you lasting memories of meaningful theatrical and musical experiences.



LARRY HANCOCK, GENERAL DIRECTOR

SEATING & TICKET OPTIONS

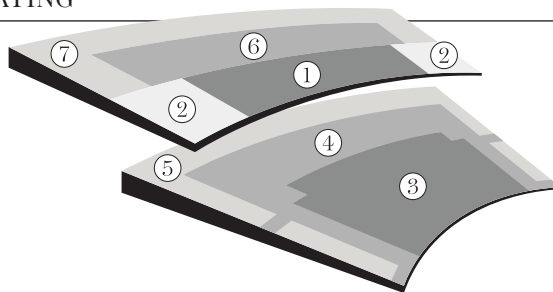
Series, Days, Times & Dates	SERIES A Saturday 8PM	SERIES B Sunday 3PM	SERIES C Thursday 8PM	SERIES D Sunday 3PM	SERIES E Friday 8PM	SERIES F Sunday 3PM
Hansel and Gretel	Nov 16	Nov 17	Nov 21	Nov 24	Nov 26*	Dec 1
Il trovatore	Feb 15	Feb 16	Feb 20	Feb 23	Feb 28	Mar 1
The Magic Flute	Apr 18	Apr 19	Apr 23	Apr 26	May 1	May 3

*November 26th performance falls on a Tuesday

CALIFORNIA THEATRE SEATING

SECTION

- 1 Grand Tier Dress
- 2 Grand Tier Sides
- 3 Orchestra Dress
- 4 Orchestra
- 5 Orchestra Ring
- 6 Mezzanine
- 7 Mezzanine Ring



SEAT LOCATION AND THREE-OPERA SERIES PRICES

SERIES	A	B	C	D	E	F
SECTION						
1 Grand Tier Dress	\$419	\$419	\$279	\$419	\$279	\$419
2 Grand Tier Sides	\$339	\$339	\$229	\$339	\$229	\$339
3 Orchestra Dress	\$389	\$389	\$259	\$389	\$259	\$389
4 Orchestra	\$299	\$299	\$199	\$299	\$199	\$299
5 Orchestra Ring	\$229	\$229	\$149	\$229	\$149	\$229
6 Mezzanine	\$199	\$199	\$129	\$199	\$129	\$199
7 Mezzanine Ring	\$129	\$129	\$79	\$129	\$79	\$129

SINGLE TICKETS AVAILABLE

Single tickets range from \$55 to \$195. For more information call (408) 437-4450 or visit OPERASJ.ORG

THE CALIFORNIA THEATRE ADDRESS

The California Theatre is at 345 South First Street between San Carlos and San Salvador in downtown San José. The theatre is equipped with wheelchair access and assistance for the hearing impaired.

TICKET ORDER FORM

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