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Cincinnati Opera Kicks Off Its 2023 Summer Festival with Opera in the Park, a Free Community Concert in OTR's Washington Park, on Sunday, June 11

The musical celebration features opera and musical theater favorites performed by stars from Cincinnati Opera's 2023 season, the Cincinnati Opera Chorus, the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra, and the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra Brass Institute

Cincinnati, Ohio—Cincinnati Opera celebrates the kickoff of its 2023 Summer Festival this weekend with a free community concert in the heart of Over-the-Rhine.

On Sunday, June 11, at 7:30 p.m., Cincinnati Opera presents **Opera in the Park**, a free concert in Washington Park featuring a selection of opera and musical theater favorites performed by star singers from Cincinnati Opera's 2023 Summer Festival, the Cincinnati Opera Chorus, the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra, and the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra Brass Institute. Guests who arrive early can also enjoy a free preview performance by the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra Brass Institute, beginning at 6 p.m.

Admission to Opera in the Park is free and open to the public. Visit cincinnatiopera.org for more information.

CALENDAR INFORMATION

What:

Cincinnati Opera presents Opera in the Park

When:

Sunday, June 11, 2023

6 p.m.: Preview concert by the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra Brass Institute

7:30 p.m.: Opera in the Park

Where:

Washington Park, 1230 Elm Street, Cincinnati, OH 45202

Description:

Cincinnati Opera presents **Opera in the Park**, a free concert of opera and musical theater favorites in Washington Park.

Featured singers include cast members from the company's upcoming productions of *Lucia di Lammermoor* (June 22, 24), *The Knock* (June 23, 27; July 2, 5, 7), and *The Barber of Seville* (July 6, 8):

sopranos Raven McMillon, Felicity Tomkins, and Saane Halaholo, mezzo-sopranos Kayleigh Decker and Briana Elyse Hunter, tenors Santiago Ballerini, Terrence Chin-Loy, and Sahel Salam, baritones Anthony Clark Evans, Thomas Dreeze, and Armando Contreras, and bass Griffen Hogan Tracy.

Also featured are the Cincinnati Opera Chorus, the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra led by conductors Stephen Mulligan and Kevin Miller, and the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra Brass Institute. Evans Mirageas, The Harry T. Wilks Artistic Director of Cincinnati Opera, will emcee.

Just before Opera in the Park, the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra Brass Institute will perform in Washington Park beginning at 6 p.m. Top high school brass players from around the region, conducted by Daniel Wylie, will join professionals from around the country, conducted by Professor Jaime Morales, to present arrangements of Cincinnati Opera-inspired music, from Wagner to Gershwin.

Attendees are invited to bring friends, families, and dogs--plus blankets, lawn chairs, and picnics--to enjoy this evening of opera under the stars. Concessions and food trucks will be available in and around Washington Park throughout the evening.

Admission:

Free. Guests are encouraged to register in advance for weather alerts and event updates. All registered attendees will also be entered in a drawing for a pair of tickets to a Cincinnati Opera 2023 Summer Festival performance. To register, visit cincinnatiopera.org/opera-park-2023.

For Information:

cincinnatiopera.org

Looking ahead:

**Cincinnati Opera
2023 Summer Festival**

Lucia di Lammermoor

By Gaetano Donizetti

June 22 and 24 at Music Hall

The Knock

By Aleksandra Vrebalov and Deborah Brevoort

June 23 and 27 and July 2, 5, and 7 at Music Hall's Wilks Studio

The Barber of Seville

By Gioachino Rossini

July 6 and 8 at Music Hall

Studio Sessions

July 12 and 19 at Music Hall's Wilks Studio

Madame Butterfly

By Giacomo Puccini

July 22, 27, and 29 at Music Hall

Visit cincinnatiopera.org for complete details.

About Cincinnati Opera

Cincinnati Opera's mission is to enrich and connect our community through diverse opera experiences. Founded in 1920 and the second-oldest opera company in the nation, Cincinnati Opera presents a thrilling season of grand opera every summer and engaging programs throughout the year. The company's repertoire includes beloved classics and contemporary masterworks brought to life by some of the world's most dynamic performers and creative artists.

Opera in the Park is a part of the DBL Law OTR Performs series in Washington Park. Opera in the Park is sponsored by Western & Southern Financial Group.

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