



SARASOTA**OPERA**

*Welcome to Sarasota Opera's*

**2022-23 Season**



*The Secret  
Marriage*

(Il matrimonio segreto)  
by Domenico Cimarosa

*Madama  
Butterfly*

by Giacomo Puccini

*Don  
Giovanni*

by Mozart

*Ernani*

by Giuseppe Verdi

*Thérèse*

by Jules Massenet

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Welcome to Sarasota Opera's 2022-23 season and join us for an exciting musical adventure featuring world-class opera productions, special events, and concerts.

## SUBSCRIPTION OPTIONS

### SEE ALL FIVE OPERAS AND SAVE 15%

This year we are introducing new subscription options. Subscribe to all five operas or take one of our new subscription packages. All series are available for a fixed date or "Build-Your-Own" subscription.

#### CLASSICS SERIES

(*Madama Butterfly*, *Don Giovanni*, *Ernani*)

Perfect for beginning opera lovers, as well as aficionados, this series contains works from the standard operatic repertoire, by the great composers. If you are attending our Winter Opera Festival and also wish to see *Thérèse*, it can be added at the same subscription discounted price.

#### EXPLORATIONS SERIES

(*The Secret Marriage*, *Thérèse*)

These important, but lesser-known works, allow our audience to explore some of the rarely heard operas and broaden their knowledge of the operatic repertoire. *The Secret Marriage* and *Thérèse* are both Sarasota Opera premieres.

The productions in both series will be at the same world-class standard that you have come to expect from Sarasota Opera, with the same exceptional singers, orchestra, and production values. A subscription order form is enclosed. If you have any questions, call the Sarasota Opera Box Office at (941) 328-1300.

## 2022 FALL SEASON

### *The Secret Marriage* *Il matrimonio segreto*



EXPLORATIONS  
SERIES

by Domenico Cimarosa with libretto by Giovanni Bertati  
October 28 - November 12, 2022

A social-climbing father wants his eldest daughter to marry an aristocrat and is prepared to buy his way in. When the would-be suitor arrives, his eye falls on the younger daughter instead. But she has secretly married her father's secretary. *The Secret Marriage* is a Sarasota Opera premiere.



SARASOTA  
YOUTH OPERA

Photo: Rod Millington

by Dean Burry based on a story by Pierre Berton  
November 5 and 6, 2022

A group of siblings venture into the dark subterranean world of the Ogs to rescue their baby brother and cat. This story has been a favorite with Canadian children since its publication in the 1960s by author Pierre Berton.

# 2023 WINTER OPERA FESTIVAL



by Giacomo Puccini, libretto by  
Luigi Illica and Giuseppe Giacosa  
**February 18 - March 24, 2023**

A young geisha known affectionately as Madama Butterfly is swept off her feet by an American Naval officer. Left with a promise that he would return one day, Butterfly waits faithfully for three years, but is met with heartbreak in one of opera's most enduring tragedies.



by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart,  
libretto by Lorenzo Da Ponte  
**February 25 - March 25, 2023**

Mozart's most famous opera is a comic and tragic masterpiece. Set in 17th century Spain, this tale of obsession, betrayal, crime, and retribution centers around the infamous lover Don Juan, who leaves a path of broken hearts wherever he goes.



by Giuseppe Verdi,  
libretto by Francesco Maria Piave  
**March 11-26, 2023**

The bandit Ernani has lost his land, wealth, and title, and faces competing suitors, including the king, as he pursues his true love, Elvira. One of the greatest of Verdi's early works, *Ernani* encompasses love, honor, and tragedy with passionate choruses, emotional arias, and an exciting score.

*All operas are performed in the original language with real-time English translations above the stage. Opera performances take place in The William E. Schmidt Opera Theatre of the Sarasota Opera House. Images by Michael Voll.*

## PERFORMANCES

### MUSICAL CAPITALS OF EUROPE

November 4, 2022 at 7:30 pm

Tickets: \$12-\$47 per person

Arias and ensembles featuring Principal and Studio Artists from our fall opera production.

### APPRENTICE & STUDIO ARTISTS CONCERTS

The Lee & Bob Peterson Great Room • Tickets: \$10

Hear our Apprentice and Studio Artist perform timeless operatic arias, duets, and ensembles.

### APPRENTICE ARTISTS AT NOON

March 17, 2023 at 12 noon

March 24, 2023 at 12 noon

### COVERS AT NOON

March 23, 2023 at 12 noon

## SIGNATURE EVENTS

### CURTAIN RAISER DINNER

Michael's on the Bay, Selby Botanical Gardens

**October 16, 2022** • Tickets: \$210 per person

Join fellow opera-lovers at our annual welcome back event, learn more about the upcoming season's activities, and enjoy live performances by Sarasota Opera artists while taking in a gorgeous sunset and the lush surroundings of Selby Gardens.

*Note: Information about other events during the season will be available in August 2022.*





by Jules Massenet;  
libretto by Jules Claretie  
**March 17-25, 2023**

A love triangle during the French Revolution is the setting for this rarely heard work. *Thérèse* is torn between love for her former lover and her affection and duty towards her husband. Moments of lyrical beauty are punctuated by the drama of the "Reign of Terror." *Thérèse* is a Sarasota Opera premiere.

## ENJOY SUBSCRIBER BENEFITS!

### SUBSCRIBERS ARE REWARDED

Being a season ticket holder is the best way to experience all that Sarasota Opera has to offer. Here are a few benefits:

### MEET NEW FRIENDS AND GREET OLD ONES

During the Sarasota Opera season, you'll meet new people and see the familiar faces of friends and others who love opera.

### BEST PRICES

All subscriptions are discounted, but you can save 15% off the price of individual tickets by renewing before May 27, 2022.

### YOUR GREAT SEATS

By choosing a fixed opera subscription, your seat is yours for all your performances.\*Plus, you secure early priority in upgrading your seats, if interested.

*\*If you would like to subscribe to all five operas and are a Wednesday night subscriber to the Classics Series, you will need to choose another night for the Exploration Series. We will do our best to put you in the same seats for both series.*

### FREE EXCHANGES

Exchange your tickets for another performance of the same opera title for FREE. You also get unlimited reprints of your tickets if you misplace them or leave them at home.

### BE THE FIRST TO GET ACCESS

Get access to the best seats before the general public for concerts, talks, special events, and more.

*Ticket purchases are non-refundable. Subscribers may exchange tickets for another performance of the same opera at no cost.*

Your health and safety are important to us. At this time we do not anticipate implementing any health and safety measures related to COVID, but will continue to monitor the situation and make adjustments as recommended by our medical advisors based on prevailing conditions.

## SPECIAL PACKAGES

### TOWN CLUB (Tuesday Opera Women's Network)

*The Secret Marriage* - November 8, 2022  
(*Il matrimonio Segreto*)

*Madama Butterfly* - February 21, 2023

*Don Giovanni* - February 28, 2023

*Ernani* - March 14, 2023

*Thérèse* - March 21, 2023

We invite you to join us for the 5th season of TOWN Club. Members come together before each Tuesday subscription performance to mix and mingle and share their interest in learning about opera. Additional \$25 membership fee.

### OPERA LOVERS WEEKS

**March 15-26, 2023**

The ultimate opera immersion experience — during these weeks, you can see all four Sarasota Opera Winter Festival productions in as few as three days.

### SUBSCRIBING ONLINE

The easiest and fastest way to subscribe is doing it online. To download an order form, go to our website at [SarasotaOpera.org](http://SarasotaOpera.org) to subscribe. Or, for personal assistance, call (941) 328-1300 or visit our box office.

### E-NEWSLETTERS

Sign up for our e-newsletter to receive reminders, traffic updates, and program information for the performances you are attending. You will also receive special offers and discounts from Sarasota Opera, area restaurants, hotel partners, and other local arts organizations. Go to [SarasotaOpera.org](http://SarasotaOpera.org) to sign-up today.