



SARASOTA OPERA

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Sarasota Opera Opens Subscriptions for 2026–27 Season

April 13, 2026 — Following the close of its acclaimed 2026 Winter Opera Festival, Sarasota Opera has announced that subscriptions for the **2026–27 Opera Season** are now on sale.

Subscribing is the best way to secure exceptional seats, exclusive benefits, and optimize savings. Subscription packages offer:

- Significant ticket savings—10-20% savings on season tickets
- Priority access to the best seats
- Free valet parking
- Early renewal and exchange privileges
- Multiple 4 and 5-opera package options that allow flexibility

To subscribe, visit **www.sarasotaopera.org** or contact the Sarasota Opera Box Office at **941-328-1300** Monday through Friday from 10 AM until 5 PM. In-person assistance is also available at the Opera House Box Office, located at **61 N. Pineapple Avenue in downtown Sarasota**.

Details about the upcoming season's productions, along with a full overview of subscriber benefits, are available online at <https://tickets.sarasotaopera.org/packages/>

About Sarasota Opera

Sarasota Opera is entering its 68th season of bringing world-class opera to Florida's Gulf Coast and celebrating 100 years of the historic Sarasota Opera House. The company was launched in 1960 in the historic 320-seat Asolo Theater on the grounds of Sarasota's Ringling Museum of

Art. In 1984, the company moved into the former A.B. Edwards Theater — now the Sarasota Opera House. Since then, the company has gained an international reputation as one of the leading regional opera companies in the U.S. through initiatives such as the Masterworks Revival Series and the Verdi Cycle. The company’s Sarasota Youth Opera is the most comprehensive youth opera program in the U.S. The Sarasota Opera House, which underwent a \$20 million renovation and rehabilitation in 2007, has been called “one of America’s finest venues for opera” by Musical America. Since 1983, the company has been under the artistic leadership of Victor DeRenzi and the administrative leadership of General Director Richard Russell since 2012. In June 2026 Maestro DeRenzi will be stepping down from the company and Mr. Russell will add Artistic Director to his responsibilities. Sarasota Opera is sponsored in part by the State of Florida, Department of State, Division of Arts and Culture and the Florida Council on Arts and Culture and the National Endowment for the Arts. Programs are paid for in part by Sarasota County Tourist Development Tax revenues.

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