

2023-24  
SEASON

# SARASOTA OPERA'S CO-PRODUCERS



**CARMEN**  
COMING 2024 WINTER



SARASOTA**OPERA**



## THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING SARASOTA OPERA AS A CO-PRODUCER!

### 1. CHOOSE YOUR LEVEL:

- ☐ Single (\$6,000-\$11,999)    ☐ Quadruple (\$24,000-\$29,999)  
☐ Double (\$12,000-\$17,999)    ☐ Season (\$30,000+)  
☐ Triple (\$18,000-\$23,999)

### 2. CHOOSE YOUR OPERA(S):

- ☐ Carmen    ☐ Luisa Miller  
☐ Lucia di Lammermoor    ☐ Deceit Outwitted (L'infedeltà delusa)

3. CO-PRODUCER TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### 4. ADD ON:

Deepen your involvement with these additional gifts!

- ☐ \$3,000 Apprentice & Studio Artist Sponsorship (limited quant.)  
☐ \$5,000 Principal Artist Sponsor (Season Producer only)  
☐ Artistic Achievement Fund (\$5,000+) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Youth Opera & Education (\$50-\$12,000+) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

5. GRAND TOTAL (Sum of 3+4): \$ \_\_\_\_\_

You will be recognized for your total gift to Sarasota Opera.

## YOUR NAME(S)

Print your name(s) as you wish it to appear in all recognition or on mailings.

☐ I wish to remain anonymous.

**PHOTO** A quality, high-resolution image (at least 400 KB) is needed by August 31, 2023, for the Fall and November 17, 2023, for the Winter Festival Program Book.

- ☐ Use the same photo as last year.    ☐ I will email a new photo to [sguinn@sarasotaopera.org](mailto:sguinn@sarasotaopera.org).  
☐ No photo recognition is necessary.    ☐ I would like a new photo taken by Sarasota Opera's photographer (we will send you contact information).

## CONTACT INFORMATION

Street Address or P.O. Box

Email

City

State

Zip

Phone

## METHOD OF DONATION PAYMENT

☐ **CHECK** to Sarasota Opera Association, Inc. is enclosed for \$ \_\_\_\_\_

A check will come from: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Donor Advised Fund / IRA

☐ **STOCK TRANSFER** (Sarasota Opera will send you wire transfer instructions for your investment firm.)

☐ I/We pledge our support to be paid by **December 31, 2023**, or will provide two (2) or three (3) installment payments of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ each made as follows: #1 by \_\_\_\_\_ #2 by \_\_\_\_\_ #3 by \_\_\_\_\_  
 (all made no later than **12/31/23**)    Date    Date    Date

☐ **I WILL PAY BY CREDIT CARD**

Please charge \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to my/our \_\_\_ VISA \_\_\_ MC \_\_\_ AMEX \_\_\_ DISCOVER

Card No.

Exp.

Signature

☐ I am interested in or have made estate plans leaving a bequest, beneficiary designation, or legacy gift to Sarasota Opera.



Scan and email your Co-Producer Commitment Form to [sguinn@sarasotaopera.org](mailto:sguinn@sarasotaopera.org) OR mail to:  
**SARASOTA OPERA | DEVELOPMENT OFFICE | 61 N. PINEAPPLE AVENUE, SARASOTA, FL 34236**

# 2023–24 CO-PRODUCER BENEFITS

Co-Producers and Season Producers receive the following benefits designed to bring them closer to the work we do and build community.

All **Leadership Donors** (Donors whose total annual giving is \$6,000 or more) receive the following benefits:

- Complimentary subscription to Sarasota Opera's newsletter, Libretto
- Personalized ticketing service with the Box Office or Development staff
- Access to the **McCorkle Lounge** on the third floor of the Opera House
- Name recognition in the Fall Program and photo recognition in the Winter Festival Program Book, reflecting your total annual gift to Sarasota Opera
- Access to **Final Dress Rehearsals** for three Winter Festival Productions
- Invitation to the **Season Announcement and Meet the Artist Reception** with Principal Artists from the Winter Festival
- Invitation to a **tour** of the Sarasota Opera complex
- Invitations to each of Sarasota Opera's Signature Events
- Invitation to these appreciation events
  - **Apprentice Welcome Concert** in January
  - **Coffee & Conversations** panel discussion event
  - **Behind the Blue Curtain** lecture event
  - **Winter Festival Overture Dinner on Stage** in December
  - **Opera Luncheon** in February
  - **Opera Aficionado Dinner** in March (total annual gift of \$12,000 +)

In addition, **Co-Producers** and **Season Producers** receive the following exclusive benefits:

- Surtitle recognition at each performance of the opera(s) you select to Co-Produce
- Invitation to **Meet & Mingle** events with the cast(s) of the opera(s) you select
- Opportunity to add an Apprentice or Studio Artist Sponsorship with \$3,000 above base gift
  - Recognition under the artist's photo and bio in the Winter Festival Program Book
  - Thank you note from the Artist
  - Opportunity to meet the Artist at the **Apprentice Welcome Concert Reception**
  - Limited quantity, first come, first served.

**Season Producers** receive these additional exclusive benefits:

- Superior photo recognition in the Fall Program Book and photo and profile in the Winter Festival Program Book
- Surtitle recognition at each concert and opera performance in Sarasota Opera's 2023-24 Season
- Opportunity to add a Principal Artist Sponsorship with \$5,000 above base gift
  - Recognition under the artist's photo and bio in the Winter Festival Program Book
  - Thank you note from the Artist
  - Opportunity to meet the Artist at a **Meet & Mingle** event or specially arranged meeting during the season, based on the artist's availability
  - Limited quantity, first come, first served.



# 2023-24 OPERA SEASON

## 2023 FALL SEASON

### THE MUSIC OF GIACOMO PUCCINI

NOVEMBER 10 AT 7:30 PM AND NOVEMBER 12 AT 3:00 PM

The operas of Giacomo Puccini are some of the most popular in the repertoire. Soloists from Sarasota Opera, partnering with the Sarasota Orchestra, conducted by Victor DeRenzi will present favorite selections from these great works.

### THE LITTLE SWEEP

BY BENJAMIN BRITTEN | LIBRETTO BY ERIC CROZIER | A SARASOTA YOUTH OPERA PRODUCTION  
NOVEMBER 4 AT 5:00 PM; NOVEMBER 5 AT 12:30 PM

Sarasota Youth Opera will present a revival of our acclaimed production of Britten's charming opera—*The Little Sweep*. A group of children, with the help of a kind nursery maid, work to free a young chimney sweep apprentice from his cruel master. Last seen in 2018, this enchanting work, which was written to introduce young people to opera, will be sure to delight children and adults alike.

## 2024 WINTER OPERA FESTIVAL

### CARMEN

BY GEORGES BIZET  
LIBRETTO BY HENRI MEILHAC AND LUDOVIC HALÉVY  
FEBRUARY 17 - MARCH 22, 2024

Carmen, the seductive and enigmatic heroine of Bizet's opera, has enticed Corporal Don José who upends his life to be with her. When her interest turns to the charismatic bullfighter Escamillo, José's enraged jealousy leads to catastrophe. Opera-lovers and newcomers alike will bask in some of opera's most recognizable music!

### LUISA MILLER

BY GIUSEPPE VERDI  
LIBRETTO BY SALVADORE CAMMARANO  
MARCH 9 - 24, 2024

One of Giuseppe Verdi's lesser performed but passionately romantic dramas, Luisa Miller returns to Sarasota Opera after 25 years. Luisa, the daughter of an old soldier, is in love with Carlo, who is really, Rodolfo, the son of the ruthless Count Walter. The count's opposition to the couple's love leads to tragedy, in an opera filled with memorable arias and thrilling ensembles.

### LUCIA DI LAMMERMOOR

BY GAETANO DONIZETTI  
LIBRETTO BY SALVADORE CAMMARANO  
FEBRUARY 24 - MARCH 23, 2024

Deceit leads to murder and madness, in Donizetti's masterpiece, based on Sir Walter Scott's *The Bride of Lammermoor*. To save his family's fortunes, Enrico Ashton has promised his sister Lucia's hand to a Scottish nobleman, instead of the man she loves, Edgardo, a member of a rival family. The ensuing drama is excitingly captured in Donizetti's beautifully romantic music, with many well-known operatic highlights including Lucia's famous mad scene.

### DECEIT OUTWITTED (L'INFEDeltà DELUSA)

BY JOSEPH HAYDN  
LIBRETTO BY MARCO COLTELLINI  
MARCH 15 - 23, 2024

Joseph Haydn is one of classical music's most famous composers, but his substantial body of opera is virtually unknown. In the delightful comedy, *Deceit Outwitted* (*L'infedeltà delusa*), the peasant Filippo hopes his daughter Sandrina will marry the rich farmer Nencio. She is in love, however, with a poor peasant, whose sister is in love with Nencio. Through a series of comic complications (including a parade of disguises), all is happily resolved, accompanied by Haydn's inventive score and brilliant singing. This will be a Sarasota Opera premiere and the first fully-staged professional production in the U.S. in over 50 years.