



MEDIA ANNOUNCEMENT

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OPERA COLORADO ANNOUNCES CHORUS AUDITIONS FOR 2006-2007 SEASON

Denver, Colo.— Opera Colorado announces the 2006-2007 Season Chorus Auditions on **Saturday, September 9, 2006** from **1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.** at the **Newman Center for the Performing Arts** on the campus of the University of Denver. The selected members will become an integral part of Opera Colorado's upcoming season which includes Mozart's *The Magic Flute* November 10-19, 2006; Donizetti's *The Elixir of Love* February 9-18, 2007; and Verdi's *Un ballo in maschera* April 26-May 7, 2007.

WHAT:

Chorus Auditions for the 2006-2007 Season will be held in 7 minute intervals. Singers should prepare:

- Two songs from an opera, oratorio or art song, but no pop music.
- One piece must be prepared in Italian, French or German. The other piece can be in English if desired.
- Please bring an extra copy of music prepared for accompanist.

A piano accompanist will be provided.

WHO:

Men and women of all ages and voice types are encouraged to audition.

John Baril, Chorus Master, and **Peter Russell**, President and General Director for Opera Colorado will conduct auditions.

WHEN:

Auditions will be held on September 9th from 1:00p.m. – 5:00p.m. **Auditions must be scheduled prior to September 8.** Please call Opera Colorado at 303-778-1500 to schedule your audition time.

WHERE:

The Newman Center for the Performing Arts on the campus of the University of Denver will host the chorus auditions. The Newman Center is located at 2344 E Iliff Ave. Denver, CO 80210, at the corner of University and Iliff. The auditions will be held in the Vocal Arts Rehearsal Hall (downstairs, northwest side of building) in Room #100.

WHY:

Join the excitement of the second season in the Ellie Caulkins Opera House and become a member of the Opera Colorado Chorus! Singers will have the chance to grace the stage with artists like **Mel Ulrich**, **Maria Kanyova**, **Barry Banks**, **Doina Dimitriu**, **Frank Lopardo**, and **Charles Taylor**. Chorus members will also have the honor to work with Opera Colorado's esteemed Artistic Director, **James Robinson**, as well as Stage Director **Kevin Newbury** and conductors **Dean Williamson**, **Carlo Montanaro** and **David Agler**.

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