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### OPERA COLORADO ANNOUNCES CHORUS AUDITIONS FOR 2007-2008 SEASON

**Denver, Colo.**— Opera Colorado announces the 2007-2008 Season Chorus Auditions on **Saturday, September 15, 2007** from **10:00 a.m. - 3:00 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 Verdi's *La Traviata* November 9-18, 2007; Donizetti's *Don Pasquale* February 8-17, 2008; Wagner's *The Flying Dutchman* April 18 & 20, 2008; and Adams' *Nixon in China* June 7-15, 2008.

**WHAT:**

Chorus Auditions for the 2007-2008 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 in Italian, French or German; the other piece must be in English.

Singers must bring an extra copy of music for the piano accompanist, which will be provided.

**WHO:**

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

**WHEN:**

Auditions will be held on September 15<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. **Auditions must be scheduled prior to September 12.** Please call Opera Colorado at 303-778-1500 to schedule an 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 third 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 **Samuel Ramey, Isabel Bayrakdarian, James Morris, Hasmik Papian, Robert Orth** and **Maria Kanyova**. Chorus members will also have the honor to work with Opera Colorado's Chorus Master **John Baril** and Artistic Director, **James Robinson**, as well as conductors **Stephen Lord** and **Marin Alsop**.

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