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SUBSCRIPTION TICKETS ON SALE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC FOR 25TH ANNIVERSARY SEASON

Denver, Colo.— Season subscriptions are now available to the general public for Opera Colorado's 2007-2008 25th Anniversary Season. This milestone season marks an expansion in the company's programming, featuring four mainstage offerings which include two grand opera favorites, an all-star concert opera and a 20th century opera.

The grand opera season begins in the fall of 2007 with a remounting of Verdi's *La Traviata* in the beautiful staging that was a box office hit with Denver audiences in 2004. The revival stars Pamela Armstrong and Garrett Sorenson. Donizetti's charming comedy *Don Pasquale*, set in the American wild west of the 1800's, takes the stage in February of 2008 and features internationally renowned bass Samuel Ramey and soprano Isabel Bayrakdarian. A special concert opera in April celebrating Wagner's seafaring masterpiece, **The Flying Dutchman*, features the world's leading Wagnerian singer, James Morris, in the title role and the stunning soprano Hasmik Papian (*Norma*, 2006) as Senta in her highly-anticipated return to Denver. The final offering of the season is brimming with excitement as Opera Colorado presents its first 20th century opera, the highly praised production of John Adams' *Nixon in China* in June 2008. Several artists who have received acclaim for roles in *Nixon in China* will convene again to perform the opera in Denver, including Robert Orth, Maria Kanyova and Tracy Dahl; newcomers to the production include Joseph Kaiser and Patrick Carfizzi.

For a complete list of performance dates, artists, and production information, please visit www.operacolorado.org or call 303-778-1500 to request a brochure. Groups of 10 or more people save up to 30% on single tickets and never pay additional fees.

*Subscriptions for the 2007-2008 season include the three mainstage operas of *La Traviata*, *Don Pasquale*, and *Nixon in China*. *The Flying Dutchman* is a limited engagement add-on concert opera that subscribers have the first opportunity to purchase. Subscriptions start at just \$83 and are currently on sale now through November 18. Subscribers receive up to 20% off regular ticket prices, premium seating, 15% off additional single tickets, free performance date exchange privileges, discounts to events and exclusive subscriber only invitations. Single tickets for the 2007-2008 Season go on sale on August 27.

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