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**Opera Colorado Seeks Individuals to Participate in *Turandot*'s Executioner
and Handmaiden Supernumeraries**

Supernumeraries serve as characters in non-singing/non-speaking supporting roles, like extras in film and TV

Denver, CO (March 29, 2023)—Opera Colorado invites members of the community to apply for non-singing supernumerary roles in its upcoming production of Puccini's *Turandot*. A supernumerary (usually referred to as a super) contributes to the production by acting in a non-speaking/non-singing role, like being an extra in a movie.

- We will need four women to appear as handmaidens throughout the production.
- We will also need four men who are Executioner and Executioner's Assistants in one scene of the opera.
- We ask that applicants be available for all performances.

All community volunteers who offer their time and talent as supernumeraries will receive:

- Two (2) tickets to the *Turandot* final dress rehearsal on Thursday, May 4.
- Parking/Travel Stipend equal to \$7.50 per day you are called to the opera house.
- Access to up to four (4) discounted tickets to use during the run of *Turandot* performances.

Early staging rehearsals will take place between **April 11-25, 2023**, at the Opera Colorado Opera Center in Englewood, Colorado. Technical rehearsals, dress rehearsals, and all performances will take place on varying dates between **April 28-May 14, 2023**, at the Ellie Caulkins Opera House at the Denver Performing Arts Complex in downtown Denver. Rehearsals will take place during weekday evenings and weekends, with some daytime availability requested.

To express interest in the openings and for a more specific rehearsal schedule, please contact Jordanna Rose at jrose@operacolorado.org with "TURANDOT SUPER" in the subject line of the email. Include a photograph of yourself along with your height and a description of any stage experience you may have. No phone calls, please.

Supernumerary positions are available on a first-come basis to qualified candidates with the appropriate schedule availability.

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Opera Colorado has served as a cornerstone of Denver's cultural community since 1983. In addition to its mainstage performances at the Ellie Caulkins Opera House each season, the company affirms its commitment to the future of the art form by annually presenting new works; with its nationally recognized Artist in Residence Program that trains the next generation of opera performers; and by each year reaching more than 45,000 students and adults through its many education and community engagement programs throughout the Rocky Mountain region. For more information, visit operacolorado.org.