

Opera Colorado Casting Featured Extra Role of Sorrow

Denver, CO—Opera Colorado will hold auditions on **Monday, March 9, 2026** to cast a featured child extra role in its Spring 2026 production of Puccini's *Madama Butterfly*. Auditions will take place at the Opera Colorado Opera Center (4121 S. Navajo St., Englewood).

About the Role

In the opera, the child is the son of a Japanese mother and an American father. Children of all backgrounds are welcome to audition; those who reflect this heritage are especially encouraged to apply.

We are seeking **two children (ages 4-7)** who can appear approximately **4-5 years old**, of any gender.

What to Expect at Auditions

Children will be asked to:

- Share a short introduction
- Tell their favorite joke
- Participate in simple improv games

Auditions will be filmed for review by stage director **Mo Zhou**.

Rehearsals & Performances

- **Early staging rehearsals:** April 13-21, 2026 (afternoons/evenings)
Opera Colorado Opera Center, Englewood

- **Technical rehearsals, dress rehearsals & performances:**
April 24-May 10, 2026
Ellie Caulkins Opera House, Denver Performing Arts Complex
- Rehearsals and performances may run as late as **10:30 p.m.**
- A parent or guardian must accompany children at all times.

Volunteer Benefits

Community volunteers cast in this role will receive:

- Two tickets to the *Madama Butterfly* final dress rehearsal (April 30)
- Parking for all rehearsal and performance dates
- Access to up to four discounted tickets for performances

Request an Audition Time

To request an audition time and receive Opera Center access instructions, email:

JRose@operacolorado.org

Subject line: **BUTTERFLY Child Auditions**

No phone calls, please. Audition times are scheduled on a first-come basis.

