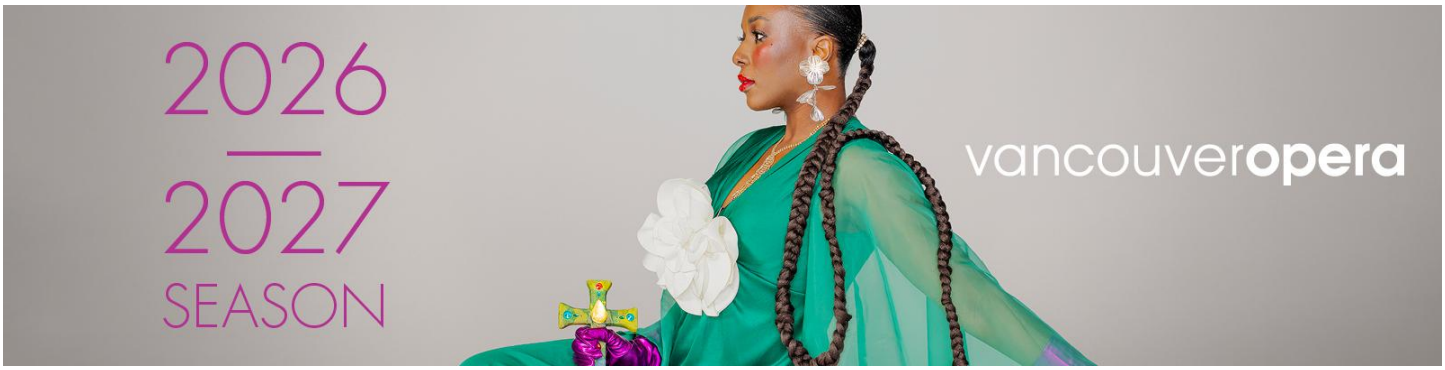


VANCOUVER OPERA CELEBRATES A SUCCESSFUL 2025—2026 SEASON HEADING INTO A BLOCKBUSTER 2026—2027 SEASON

JUNE 19, 2026, VANCOUVER, B.C./ / Traditional territory of the xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam), Sḵwx̱wú7mesh (Squamish), and səlilwətaɬ (Tsleil-Waututh) Nations – Vancouver Opera's 2025-2026 season was one of the most successful in its illustrious 66-year history. The 2026-2027 season will keep this incredible momentum going with a continued commitment from Montecristo Jewellers as season sponsor.

"We are thrilled to be sharing this news after a season filled with so many incredible performances and events," said Vancouver Opera General Director Tom Wright. "Ticket sales for all three productions were the highest we have had in years, and we were elated to see sales for our season-closing *La Bohème* capture all-time "box office silver" with ticket sales numbers second only to 2024's *Carmen.* This tells us that people are engaged with opera and the performing arts more than ever. We are pleased to announce that Montecristo Jewellers will continue its support as our 2026-2027 season sponsor. This has been a deeply meaningful partnership with both companies sharing a passion for artistry and community."

In 2025, Montecristo Jewellers became the official season sponsor for Vancouver Opera, the first season sponsor in six years. For the 2026-2027 season, Montecristo Jewellers will continue as season sponsor, ensuring the company can deliver exceptional, world-class opera experiences.

Pasquale Cusano, the founder of Montecristo Jewellers, believes that great art requires great support. "Growing up on a working farm in Italy, my daily life was filled with the beauty of nature, music, and timeless architecture. I emigrated to Canada and made Vancouver my home. Canada has given me many opportunities, so I want to give something back. I chose to support opera because it is an exceptional art form that requires individuals such as musicians, singers, conductors, and staging teams to commit to a life of perfecting their craft. I am proud to play a role in ensuring opera continues to thrive in Vancouver and to see seasoned and new audiences inspired by it. I encourage more entrepreneurs to also support the arts."

For the company's 67th season, VO presents three of opera's biggest blockbusters, featuring iconic works by Puccini, Rossini, and Verdi. Opening with the white-hot intensity of *Tosca* in October 2026, followed by the effervescent comedy of *The Barber of Seville* in February 2027, the season will conclude in grand style with Verdi's beloved *La Traviata* in April/May 2027. We can't wait to welcome audiences back to the theatre, whether they're long-time subscribers, or part of the growing new wave

of opera fans who helped make this past season such a success. 2026–2027 is a season of great works that have stood the test of time, and tickets will sell quickly. For more information about the 2026–2027 Vancouver Opera Season, and to subscribe, please visit vancouveropera.ca.

2026—2027 VANCOUVER OPERA SEASON



TOSCA
By Giacomo Puccini
Queen Elizabeth Theatre
Sung in Italian with English SURTITLES™ projected above the stage
Saturday, October 24, 7:30PM | Thursday, October 29, 7:30PM | Sunday, November 1, 2:00PM



THE BARBER OF SEVILLE
By Gioachino Rossini
Queen Elizabeth Theatre
Sung in Italian with English SURTITLES™ projected above the stage
Saturday, February 13, 7:30PM | Thursday, February 18, 7:30PM | Saturday, February 20, 7:30PM | Sunday, February 21, 2:00PM



LA TRAVIATA
By Giuseppe Verdi
Queen Elizabeth Theatre
Sung in Italian with English SURTITLES™ projected above the stage
Saturday, April 24, 7:30PM | Thursday, April 29, 7:30PM | Saturday, May 1, 7:30PM | Sunday, May 2, 2:00PM

ABOUT VANCOUVER OPERA

Vancouver Opera creates extraordinary experiences that engage, inspire and entertain through voice, music and theatre. Vancouver Opera is the second largest professional opera company in Canada and is regarded worldwide for its fine mainstage productions, country-leading education programs and innovative community programs. Learn more at www.vancouveropera.ca.

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