



# OPERA FOR THE YOUNG

6441 Enterprise Lane, Suite 207  
Madison, WI 53719

## How are singing pirates an enriching cultural experience?



### You are cordially invited to *Ignite Enthusiasm for Opera!*

When you bring an Opera for the Young performance of **The Pirates of Penzance** to your school, you're helping build a life-long appreciation for the arts in your students.

### In 2010/2011, our professional cast is available to entertain and inform, right in your school's gym.

You will be part of this interactive and educational event. Weeks in advance of the performance, you'll receive a teaching packet containing:

- a tutorial CD
- a teacher's guide
- a libretto and
- a student handbook

This will supply your music teacher with everything needed to prepare 16 students to sing on stage with our professional artists. We also encourage all students to learn the music and sing from their seats.

*"Opera for the Young is a fantastic experience for children! Their productions, performed by very high quality musicians, are accessible to all students and actively involve the entire student body in every performance. OFY performers worked very well with special needs students and their staff, and the teacher packet with its CD is very well put together and extremely helpful. We heartily recommend OFY for all elementary school children!"*

—Allison Thome and Jane Holschbach  
Music Teachers; Appleton, Wisconsin

*"Our country school, grades K through 9, has been hosting OFY for five years now. The response of our students, faculty, support staff and parents is unbelievable. I am the music teacher and, when first asked by my superintendent to be part of an opera, I was very reluctant as my exposure to opera had been very limited. OFY has made an extremely positive influence on my students and me."*

—Connie Mitchell  
Music Teacher; Marseilles, Illinois

#### ARTISTS

Opera for the Young employs professional artists with top-notch credentials. Recent cast members include a Grammy Award winner, Metropolitan Opera national and regional audition winners, choristers from the Lyric Opera of Chicago and members of the Chicago Symphony Chorus. Several of our artists hold doctorates and most hold masters degrees. All are conservatory graduates and active recitalists.

#### SUPPORT

Opera for the Young regularly receives funding from the National Endowment for the Arts, the Wisconsin Arts Board, Dane County Cultural Affairs Commission, Community Foundation for the Fox Valley Region, the Twin Cities Opera Guild, as well as corporations, small businesses, and generous individuals. With school fees covering just over 40% of the actual cost, it is necessary for OFY to get more help from the community. **Want to learn how you can help keep us on the road? Call us at 608.277.9560!**

#### HONORS

Opera for the Young has been honored each year since 1999 with project support from the National Endowment for the Arts. This prestigious endorsement reflects Opera for the Young's growing reputation as a national leader in arts education. The organization also received the 2003 Wisconsin Youth Symphony Orchestra Rabin Youth Arts Award for achievement and service in arts education.





Opera for the Young presents:



## The 2010-2011 Tour of *The Pirates of Penzance*

### Early Bird Special is \$750!

Reserve by May 15 for Fall 2010 Tour  
Reserve by October 15 for Spring 2011 Tour

After the dates above, rates rise to \$775.

**The performance takes  
place right in your school!  
No bus transportation needed!**

Welcome aboard, matey! Join in the fun as the Pirate King, Ruth and Frederic meet Mabel and the Major General for some olde English merriment. Romance blossoms, loyalty is put to the test and mistakes are forgiven in this "jolly good" adaptation of Gilbert and Sullivan's comic masterpiece. Your students will play multiple roles as the chorus of rollicking pirates, carefree wards and timid police constables.

With its zany word play and physical comedy, *The Pirates of Penzance* is an excellent springboard for discussion of time-honored values such as honesty, integrity and respect for commitment.

Supplement your  
program by adding an  
**ARTIST-IN-RESIDENCY Package!**

**PACKAGE ONE – Class Chats**  
(Our most popular residency)  
**\$1500 for a full day**  
with one performance.

**MORNING:**  
Five cast members visit classrooms  
to lead discussions about opera  
and musical storytelling.

**AFTERNOON:**  
Your performance of  
*The Pirates of Penzance*

**PACKAGE TWO – Opera by Design**  
**\$1500 for 1 1/2 days**  
with one performance.

**DAY ONE:**  
A full-day residency exploring the world  
of costume, set and property design  
with a professional theatrical designer.

**DAY TWO:**  
Your performance of  
*The Pirates of Penzance*  
**9:30 a.m. or 1:30 p.m.**

**Residencies can also be  
custom designed!**

Contact us with any questions or comments:  
[booking@operafortheyoung.org](mailto:booking@operafortheyoung.org)  
608-277-9560

**For greatest date selection, be sure to book your performance by May 1!**

All requested information is required. Please be complete. Mail to: Opera for the Young,  
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School Name \_\_\_\_\_

School Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

School Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ School Fax \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person Name and Title \_\_\_\_\_

Contact's Home Phone (never shared outside Opera for the Young) \_\_\_\_\_

Contact or School E-mail (very important!) \_\_\_\_\_

Sign up my school for:

- \_\_\_\_\_ In-school performance(s) at \$750EB/\$775  
\$400 deposit due at time of reservation; balance due day of performance
- Artist-in-residency Package One at \$1500  
(Class Chats and one performance)
- Artist-in-residency Package Two at \$1500  
(Opera by Design residency and one performance)

Dates that DON'T work for your school. We will schedule around days with conflicting events  
(holidays, conferences, testing, in-services, concerts, early release, etc.)

To learn more about Opera for the Young, visit us at: [www.operafortheyoung.org](http://www.operafortheyoung.org)