

Opera for the Young 2009 Fall Tour

The Elixir of Love

October 12- November 6, 2009



OFY sets Donizetti's comic masterpiece in the Old American West. Miss Addy (Adina) is a wealthy rancher greatly admired by Jimmy Reno (Nemorino), a lovesick cowpoke. Swaggering cavalry sergeant Bill Corey (Belcore) competes for her affections. Rounding out the ensemble is a peddler of cure-alls, Dr. Dulcamara (sung by a mezzo soprano), and the Townsfolk of Lonesome Gulch, portrayed by your student chorus. Things get complicated when Dulcamara sells Jimmy a delicious elixir of love (which, in OFY's adaptation, is root beer!). Jimmy soon discovers that the elixir causes him far more problems than it solves. Of course all ends happily (this is OFY!) and along the way Jimmy, Addy, and the audience learn an important lesson about honest communication and being true to one's own feelings. Together they realize that the human heart in its pursuit and expression of love needs no magic potions.

COLLABORATE- EDUCATE- CREATE!

OFY offers students the opportunity to participate in
Costume & Set Design Contest ~ on-stage speaking roles ~
on-stage chorus (16 kids maximum please!) ~ off-stage chorus (unlimited size)

\$735 In-school performance (booked on or before June 1, 2009)
(\$400 deposit due with contract, balance due 7 days following the performance)

\$760 In-school performance (booked after June 1, 2009)
(\$400 deposit due with contract, balance due 7 days following the performance)

\$1,500 Artist-in-residency Package One
(Class Chats plus 1 performance)

\$1,500 Artist-in-residency Package Two
(Opera by Design plus 1 performance)

For more information or to make a reservation, please contact:
Sarah Smogoleski, tour manager ~ 608-277-9560
booking@operaforttheyoung.org



Terry Family Foundation • Pleasant T. Rowland Foundation • Wartmann Fund for Opera For The Young
W. Stuart and Elizabeth Sykes • Twin Cities Opera Guild