

Measure for Measure

Such a glorious summer calls us all to party together, in celebration of this season! Please join us August 12 at noon for our Fête d'Été **Vive La France**, a French themed luncheon with entertainment! Your [reservations can be made on our website](#), with checks mailed to Lynn Harrington, if you prefer. Several French wines and liqueurs will be available to sample on this occasion. The food, naturally, will also be French, prepared by the French-trained chef of the Columbine Country Club. A two-part recital will be presented by Competition for Colorado Singers winner and International Tenor Mark Van Arsdale. This is your invitation to summer fun!

Ooh, La La!

Welcome our two new Denver Lyric Opera Guild Board of Directors members: Corresponding Secretary Helen Santilli, and Vice President for Development Dr. Peter Van Arsdale. Both are experienced and enthusiastic volunteers. We could fill our slate if YOU felt moved to be our President-Elect! Please consider serving in this way.

Kathy Van Arsdale
President DLOG 2023-24

Our Mission

Denver Lyric Opera Guild's mission is to support and encourage young opera singers through grants to University Opera Programs and Young Artist Programs; to provide continuing education for members' appreciation and knowledge of opera; and by sponsoring an annual Competition for Colorado Opera Singers.

Summer Party 2023 - Register Now!

C'est le moment for your reservation!

Denver Lyric Opera Guild

invites you to our Annual

Summertime Party

Vive la France! Vive la Fete!

Saturday, August 12 at Noon

featuring

DLOG Competition for Colorado Singers winner

International Tenor

Mark Van Arsdale

\$75.00 per person includes Lunch and Entertainment

Entrée Choice: Chicken / Wagyu Steak / Vegetable Terrine

French wines and Liqueurs available for purchase by the glass

Columbine Country Club

17 Fairway Lane

Littleton 80123

Reservation option online:

DenverLyricOperaGuild.org (more info under "Events" tab)

Mail your Check and Entrée choice to:

Lynn Harrington

9997 Raleigh St.

Westminster, Co. 80031

Repondez s'il vous plait...the deadline is upon us!

Coming Soon...Opera on Tuesday!



Opera on Tuesday is one of DLOG's long held traditions and is widely enjoyed by our membership. As we look forward to the 2023-24 season, it's worth noting the many benefits of OOT.

Opera on Tuesday is not intended to make money for DLOG but rather OOT integrates the academic and opera programs we support, provides a performing opportunity for their students and young artists and deepens the relationships with the directors of the various academic departments and opera companies.

We strive to incorporate nuggets of learning into each program and encourage the singers to share more about the selection they'll be singing often with humor.

DLOG is unique in Colorado, there are no other programs quite like DLOG combining grants to state opera programs and offering young singers a free Master Class and the opportunity to compete in our annual Competition for Colorado Singers.

Opera on Tuesday luncheons are also a very important source of new members. Many of our newest members have joined after attending OOT and seeing first-hand what DLOG offers – a combo of wonderful entertainment, good food with good, music loving friends.

Please mark your calendar, it's going to be a great season and, oh yes, another please, do bring a friend!



OPERA ON TUESDAY 2023-24 DATES

September 12, 2023 – FALL KICKOFF

University of Northern Colorado Opera Program

October 10, 2023

Central City Artists

November 7, 2023

Denver University, Lamont Opera Theater

December 5, 2023

University of Colorado, Eklund Opera Program

January 16, 2024

Opera Colorado, Artists in Residence

April 2, 2024

Winners of the 2024 Competition

May 14, 2024

Opera Theater of the Rockies

You will receive monthly email reminders with more program 'teasers' and registration due dates.

All Opera on Tuesday luncheons will be held at Columbine Country Club with Social Hour beginning at 10:30 a.m.

Gayle Landis

Frank Zappa? 200 Motels?



A composer?? An opera?? Starring Mark Van Arsdale?? In Nice, France, on the French Riviera? As part of their *Opéra Côte d'Azur* regular season?? It's all true!!

Grammy Lifetime Achievement Award Winner and Rock and Roll Hall of Famer



Frank Zappa has been cited as one of the first to break down the barriers between rock, jazz, and classical music. He worked with John Cage, Karlheinz Stockhausen, and Pierre Boulez who said, "Frank Zappa was an exceptional figure because he was part of the worlds of rock and classical music." He was influenced by Alban Berg, Arnold Schoenberg, and Anton Webern. He employed prepared audiotape,

sprechstimme, and unusual instruments, such as bicycle spokes in his compositions. Both his rock music and classical compositions were more popular in Europe than America.

Originally a film, 200 Motels will be presented in English with rock group, percussion ensemble, and orchestral accompaniment in December in Nice as Mark Van Arsdale's next exciting operatic performance. A most unusual contract, and a challenging work to learn. You may discuss this and other aspects of our Guest Artist's career following his performance at our fabulous annual Summer Party on August 12 at noon.

Kathy Van Arsdale

Creede Musical Arts Collective: 2nd Season in Full Swing!

For their second season, the Creede Musical Arts Collective has truly brought the talent! Founders and DLOG alums Megan Marino and Michael Mayes along with DLOG Competition finalist Emily Murdoch have started a real scene in the mountain town of Creede, Colorado. This year's season spans five weekends and has included the genres of opera, classical flute, harp, Rodgers and Hammerstein, Flamenco, and Americana Folk. Still to come, more opera (with wine pairing) and Tango. The CMACs stated goal is to "span the limitless genres of Musical Arts

and to contribute to & diversify the musical offerings available in the region by inviting prominent Musical Artists to share their talents in residency within the community through live performances and educational experiences."

Below enjoy the photos from the weekend of July 21-23 along with some DLOG faces you may recognize.

Starting top left and going clockwise: 2011 and 2008 Competition Finalist Megan Marino keeps the show rolling; DLOG 2015 and 2012 Competition Finalist Emily Murdoch performs at Music in the Park; DLOG members Ian Caiozzi (left) and Neha Patel (right) attempt Flamenco lessons with incredible Flamenco artists Ismael Fernández (vocal), Sonia Olla (dance), and Guillermo Guillèn (guitar)





Below, the Creede Musical Arts Collective 2023 Summer Season 3rd Weekend. Starting top left and going clockwise: The Birds of Play Americawna Roots quartet; Flamenco performers Ismael Fernandez, Sonia Olla, and Guiermo Guillen; DLOG board member Becky Gantner enjoys Music in the Park; DLOG member Trish Pansze enjoys Music in the Park; Ian Caiozzi, Mezzo Soprano Megan Marino, and Baritone Michael Mayes





An Invitation to Join the DLOG Liverpool Card Group



Members of the DLOG Liverpool Card Group. Pictured from Left: Jenene Stookesberry, Linda Young Deanna Leino, our waiter, Phyllis Wicklund and Marleen Diamond

The DLOG Liverpool Card Group meets the 4th Tuesday of each month to play cards--a variation of the game of rummy. Everyone brings ten dollars as a contribution for our competition; these donations enable us to give an award each year. Everyone also puts in fifty cents which will become part of the prize for that day. We meet at the Panera at 6385 E. Hampden Ave. The location is close to Cavalry Baptist Church where we have our competition. Come join us for the card game, lunch and lots of fun--all for a good cause.

Linda Young

DLOG Membership Renewal

Hello DLOG members, At the May Opera on Tuesday, new Membership Renewal Forms were distributed. If you are unable to attend Opera on Tuesday, we will be sending you the membership renewal forms. Please fill it out and mail it back to me as soon as possible or [renew on the DLOG web site](#). Membership rates will remain the same. We have added a checkbox to indicate if you would like to volunteer. We need volunteers for the competition, Opera on Tuesday, committees, etc. We will contact you to see what will work for you. We sincerely appreciate those who wish to contribute more to DLOG by becoming Encore and Patron members and those who donate to the Competition and the DLOG General Fund. We encourage all members to tell your friends and colleagues about the Guild as part of our ongoing new member campaign. One Member, One New Voice for Opera.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Marleen Diamond
Membership VP

Opera Around Colorado



Opera in the Park: Scenes from Der Ring

July 29th, 7pm, Boulder Bandshell

Boulder Opera presents an outdoor concert exploring scenes and arias from *Der Ring des Nibelungen* by Wagner. This traditionally 12 hour piece is reduced to 2 and a half hours for the viewing pleasure of our audience. Come experience some of the most famous opera

pieces in history!

A family-friendly concert will feature some of Boulder's most talented rising artists, performing classic arias and scenes from *Das Rheingold*, *Die Walkure*, *Siegfried* and *Gotterdammerung*.

[Click Here for Tickets](#)



4th and 5th Festival Weekend

Aug 4 and Sept 1-3, Creede Colorado

Aug 4: Terroir of Creede, Annual Fundraising Soiree - Join us for our second Annual Fundraising Soiree at the newly renovated Stables at the Rio Grande, situated at the headwaters of the Rio Grande, with 360° views of the San Juan Mountains. Our guests will be serenaded by tenor Andrew Stenson & pianist Joe Illick, with a musical program, 4 course meal, and wines all centered around the terroir of our beloved Creede.

Sept 1-3: Our final concert series includes baritone Zachary Nelson and pianist John Arida. Also, live performance by the acclaimed tango group Grande Orquesta Navarre.

[Click Here for Tickets!](#)



2023 Festival Continues

Through Aug 6 - Central City

Cole Porter musical Kiss Me, Kate, and the exquisite masterpiece Othello by Gioachino Rossini.

"Brush Up Your Shakespeare" and join Central City Opera for the 2023 Summer Festival! Three musical adaptations of timeless Shakespearean stories are brought to life on the historic opera house stage. This season features the classic opera Romeo & Juliet by Charles Gounod, the delightful

[Click for Details and Tickets](#)



Back to School

Aug 19, 6pm, Enigma Bazaar, Denver

Back to school spells new beginnings

Class is in session, 6:00 p.m. sharp!.

[Click Here for Tickets](#)



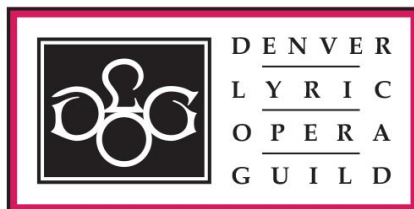
25th Anniversary Celebration

Aug 27 and Aug 29, Colorado Springs

Aug 27 - 25th Anniversary Concert at First United Methodist, Colorado Springs. Opera Theatre of the Rockies cordially invites you to an afternoon of opera favorites. World-renowned soloists will be accompanied by Thomas Wilson and the Chamber Orchestra of the Springs. Joining the soloists will be our own Opera Theatre of the Rockies chorus.

Aug 29 - Honoring Martile Rowland. Join us for a Special Evening at the Penrose Garden Pavilion, El Pomar Foundation, 1661 Mesa Avenue, Colorado Springs CO 80906 from 5:30-8:30 pm that includes Dinner, Program and Singers Met soprano Brittany Renee, mezzo, Stephanie Brink and tenor, Eric Botto accompanied by Dan Brink.

[Click Here for Tickets](#)



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