Piccola Opera Announces Summer Season of Events

Manchester— June 23, 2020—Piccola Opera Announces Summer Season of Events "We are ready to go on with the show" said Jane Cormier, Director of Piccola Opera. We need to get back to having beautiful music in our lives and this summer Piccola Opera will offer many events for our community and our young opera performers."

Giving Back Through the Arts

The mission of Piccola Opera is to educate, enlighten, and entertain the public with regard to opera. Due to COVID-19, many emerging singers have been left without any venue to perform. Dedicated to its ongoing mission to assist emerging opera performers, Piccola Opera has stepped up to offer performance opportunities for these young opera singers.

There will four diverse concert performances this summer. "Art Songs and Arias" will be offered at The Cathedral of the Pines, Rindge, NH on July 25, 3:00 pm. Performed at the beautiful Cathedral of the Pines outdoor amphitheatre, overlooking the magnificent Monadnock Mountain region, this concert will feature songs and arias of beauty in nature. Should there be rain, the concert will move inside to the chapel. This concert will be offered free to the public with any donations going to the Cathedral of the Pines Hilltop House Capital Campaign.

July 26 will find Piccola Opera singing a sacred concert at **Singing Hills Christian Camp** in Plainfield, NH at 3:00 pm featuring works by Gounod, Malotte, Bizet, and Mendelssohn. This is a free concert sponsored by Singing Hills for the community at large to enjoy! July 29, 7:00 pm Piccola Opera will feature a special fundraiser, **"Wine Tasting and Arias"** at **LaBelle Winery** in Amherst, NH. Tickets to this event will be limited and will be offered **beginning July 1 when the new Piccola Opera website, www.piccolaopera.net goes "live"**. Some of New England's finest young talent will perform opera arias and duets while the audience enjoys scrumptious wine tasting and hor's doeuvres. Proceeds from this fundraiser will benefit all winners of our upcoming **NH Opera Idol Competition** happening on Sept. 26, 2020.

And lastly, on August 2, Piccola Opera will perform at **The Gardens at Uncanoonuc** in Goffstown, NH at 6:00 pm. This performance will be featuring performances of Gilbert and Sullivan's **"Trial By Jury"** and scenes from Purcell's **"Dido and Aeneas"** performed the Piccola Teen Opera program.

"Piccola Opera has a wonderful summer planned, offering classical music in all its glory and splendor. This is a time when we need opera and classical music to flourish more than ever. It is our hope to bring the beauty of music and art to all, thus fulfilling our company mission and vision," says Jane Cormier, Director of Piccola Opera.

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