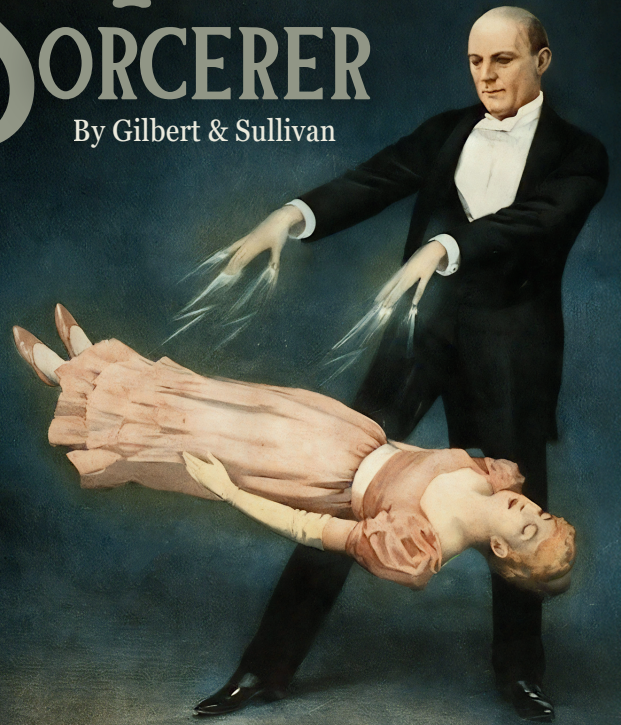


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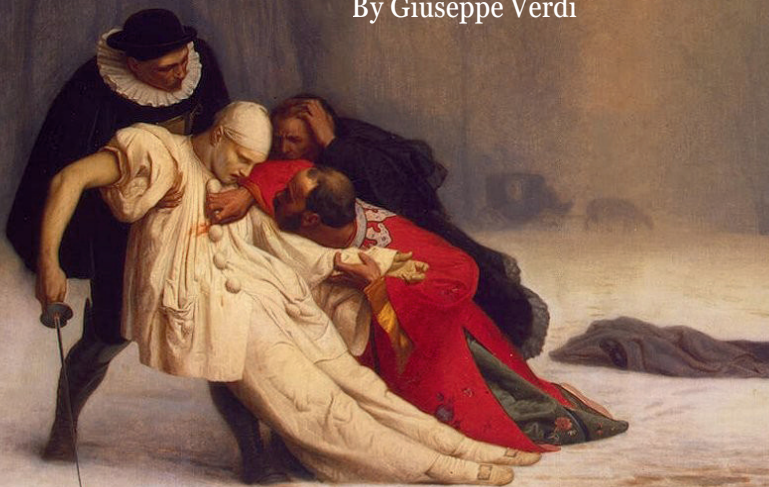
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OUR MISSION:

Winter Opera St. Louis is a non-profit organization whose mission is to provide St. Louis with world-class operatic performances during the winter months. Our work features nationally and internationally known artists, performing classic operas in their original languages, with English supertitles. We also highlight local performers and strengthen the local artistic community year-round through community outreach programs and workshops. We are committed to enhancing public appreciation and support of opera in St. Louis and preserving the beauty of this art form for generations to come.



A Comic Operetta in Two Acts

Prepare for uproarious laughter as a love potion gone wild turns a quaint village upside down, sparking hilariously mismatched couples and a chaotic quest for true affection. Will order be restored, or will love's unpredictable magic reign supreme?

MUSIC by Arthur Sullivan

LIBRETTO by William Schwenck Gilbert

First performed at the Opera Comique, London on November 17, 1877

SUNG IN ENGLISH WITH ENGLISH SUPERTITLES.

Performances of *The Sorcerer* are sponsored by Mary Pillsbury

FEATURED CAST



James Eder
Sir Marmaduke



Gene Stenger
Alexis



Gary Moss
Dr. Daly



Jacob Lassetter
John Wellington



Emily Harmon
Lady Sangazure



Alina Tamborini
Aline



Karen Kanakis
Mrs. Partlet



Courtney Fletcher
Constance



Eli Panek
Notary



John Stephens
Director



Scott Schoonover
Conductor

PERFORMANCE DATES

November 7, 2025 at 7:30PM

November 9, 2025 at 2:00PM

UN BALLO IN MASCHERA THE MASKED BALL

By Giuseppe Verdi



A Tragic Opera in Three Acts

Experience a whirlwind of forbidden passion, political intrigue, and deadly betrayal culminating in a fateful masked ball. Witness the tragic consequences of a love that defies destiny, where secrets and daggers intertwine.

MUSIC by Giuseppe Verdi

LIBRETTO by Antonio Somma

First performed at the Teatro Apollo, Rome on February 17, 1859

SUNG IN ITALIAN WITH ENGLISH SUPERTITLES.

FEATURED CAST



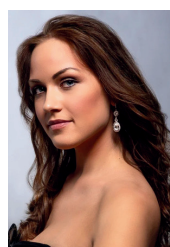
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Ricardo



Liz Baldwin
Amelia



Joseph Gansert
Renato



Ola Rafalo
Ulrica



Leann Schuering
Oscar



Joel Rogier
Silvano



Eli Panek
Tom



Fitzgerald St. Louis
Samuel



Thomas Taylor
Guidici



Diana Higbee
Director



Andy Anderson
Conductor

PERFORMANCE DATES

January 23, 2026 at 7:30PM

January 25, 2026 at 2:00PM

ROMÉO ET JULIETTE

By Charles Gounod

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Performances that warm the soul

An Tragic Opera in Five Acts

Be swept away by the timeless tale of star-crossed lovers, where youthful passion clashes with ancient hatred, igniting a tragic flame. Prepare for soaring melodies and heart-wrenching drama as Romeo and Juliet defy fate in their desperate pursuit of love.

MUSIC by Charles Gounod

LIBRETTO by Jules Barbier & Michel Carré

FIRST PERFORMED at the Théâtre Lyrique in Paris on April 27, 1867

SUNG IN FRENCH WITH ENGLISH SUPERTITLES

Performances of Roméo et Juliette are sponsored by Nancy Pillsbury

FEATURED CAST



Taylor Comstock
Roméo



Megan Barrera
Juliette



Nathan Whitson
Frère Laurent



Kenneth Stavert
Mercutio



Marc Schapman
Tybalt



Raphaella Medina
Stéphano



Emily Moore
Gertrude



Jacob Lassetter
Capulet



Eli Panek
The Duke



Joel Rogier
Count Pâris



Fitzgerald St. Louis
Grégorio



Thomas Taylor
Benvolio



John Stephens
Director



Ed Benyas
Conductor

PERFORMANCE DATES

February 27, 2026 at 7:30PM

March 1, 2026 at 2:00PM