



# Opera Holland Park announces new OperaUNITY Online family workshops

## Press Release

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Following on from our recent daily series of virtual Music Lessons for Key Stage 2 and 3 pupils, Opera Holland Park is now happy to announce six new free to attend OperaUNITY Online family workshops, to run monthly during spring and summer.

OperaUNITY brings opera to life through seasonally themed interactive workshops, blending music, movement, drama and storytelling. The workshops are run on Zoom by singer and theatre-maker Fiona Williams, and each one is aimed at families with children aged 0–5, and those with special educational needs.

A new development for 2021 is that we will be recording all the live sessions and releasing them on demand via YouTube, Facebook and IGTV, so people can benefit from OperaUNITY whenever is best for them.

The schedule of upcoming live sessions is as follows:

19 February, 10am – Pancake Party

12 March, 10am – Bouncing Bunnies

16 April, 10am – Spring

14 May, 10am – Maypole Dancing

11 June, 10am – Clever Little Fox

9 July, 10am – Summer Holiday

Workshops will take place over Zoom and last for approximately 45 minutes. The on demand recordings will be released in the week following each session.

Families can book their free place on our live sessions using the following form:

<https://forms.gle/AJuXNvLdFWgrRFVa7>

For more information about OperaUNITY Online, please visit

<https://operahollandpark.com/operaunity>.

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## Notes to Editors

### OHP *Inspire*

Opera Holland Park's International Opera Award-winning education and outreach project, *Inspire*, is continuing to work throughout the current health crisis with local partners including Age UK, using digital technology to reach isolated communities.

The team's most recent project is the creation of devised dynamic music lessons for schools, parents and children aged 7-14, with fun singing exercises for the younger age groups and introductions to operatic music, terminology, stories and characters for older age groups. A new music lesson was made available every day on the company's YouTube and Facebook accounts for three weeks from Monday 25 January. For more information visit: <https://operahollandpark.com/projects/music-lessons-with-opera-holland-park/>.

### 2021 Season

Opera Holland Park's 2021 Season with resident orchestra City of London Sinfonia will open on 1 June. The season includes new productions of Mozart's *Le nozze di Figaro*, Janáček's *The Cunning Little Vixen* Mascagni's *L'amico Fritz*, a revival of the company's celebrated 2018 staging of Verdi's *La traviata*, and a co-production of Gilbert and Sullivan's *The Pirates of Penzance* with Charles Court Opera. British Youth Opera, a training company with which many of OHP's artists and creatives have cut their operatic teeth, will also be making its OHP debut in August 2021.

More information about the season, including casting and information about the company's redesigned theatre, will be announced next week.

For more information visit <https://www.operahollandpark.com/season-and-events/2021-season/>

### Website and social media

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