



INTRODUCING OPERA HOLLAND PARK

We are a summer opera company whose custom-built theatre is located a stone's throw from Kensington High Street. Each year we produce a spectacular season of opera performances in the beautiful surroundings of Holland Park.

Opera Holland Park's repertoire includes comedies and tragedies, rarities and classics from the eighteenth to the twenty-first century. We are proud to showcase music from a wide range of history and cultures to deliver vital, sumptuous and critically acclaimed productions in a unique setting for live performance. We are also proud to welcome a host of visiting companies, including Notting Hill Carnival and The Royal Ballet School.

As an independent charity we serve the local community throughout the year in care homes, hospices, shelters, schools and beyond. We build the audiences of the future and take music to those for whom a traditional theatre setting is inaccessible.

A MEMORABLE HIGH SUMMER EVENING

Treat your clients or prospects to an unforgettable evening at Opera Holland Park. Network and talk opera over a glass of champagne, celebrate with your colleagues or family while you explore the venue and enjoy each other's company in the beautiful setting of the formal gardens and wilded woodlands of Holland Park.

We believe that opera is unparalleled when it comes to creating a positive and engaging atmosphere in which to spend time with clients and to broadcast the values of your brand. As the first multimedia artform, it has elements that will appeal to lovers of theatre, design, movement, history, art and music.

Our event packages are fully customisable and perfect for special occasions and corporate entertaining. Read on to find out more about what's on offer this summer.





RIGOLETTO

Giuseppe Verdi

A propulsive tragedy of toxic masculinity and unfettered power.

Verdi's propulsive tragedy of toxic masculinity and unfettered power unfolds at breakneck speed, as Rigoletto, the jester, attempts to shield his daughter, Gilda, from the court of Mantua and a Duke whose greed for pleasure knows no bounds. Cloistered from the city, Gilda falls in love with a young student, unaware that he is the Duke in disguise. A brilliant score contrasts carefree songs of seduction ('La donna è mobile') with a gathering storm of natural and human malevolence.

30 May , *1, 3, *7, 9, 15, 17, 22 & 24 June
(*best availability)



HANSEL & GRETEL

Engelbert Humperdinck

Deep in the forest, a gingerbread house conceals a terrible secret...

The Brothers Grimm's tale of hunger, enchantment, entrapment and rescue has thrilled children and adults for two hundred years. Many adaptations exist but Engelbert Humperdinck's 1893 opera is by far the most delicious. Charming folksongs and sweeping orchestration cast a potent spell as the siblings Hansel and Gretel venture into the forest to forage for berries, encountering The Sandman, The Dew Fairy and The Gingerbread Witch on their adventure.

10, *14, 16, 18, *21 & 23 June
(*best availability)



LA BOHÈME

Giacomo Puccini

Passion and precarity in Puccini's evergreen portrait of love and friendship in the Quartier Latin.

Passion and precarity, love and friendship, jealousy and loyalty, youth and experience. Puccini's evergreen group portrait of artists and grisettes in the Quartier Latin brings the bustle and romance of Paris to Holland Park. Mimì and Rodolfo meet on Christmas Eve and fall instantly in love, toasting their future together in the Café Momus. But poverty and disease are a present danger that they and their friends must eventually negotiate.

19, 21, 23, *25, *27 & 29 July, 1, 3 & 5 August
(*best availability)

A magnifying glass with a black and white checkered handle and a seashell are positioned on a dark red, textured background. A small, sparkling, star-shaped object is visible in the upper left corner.

ITCH

Jonathan Dove

The world premiere of an explosive new opera from composer Jonathan Dove.

Commissioned by Opera Holland Park in a co-production with the Canadian Opera Company, Toronto, *Itch* is an explosive new opera from composer Jonathan Dove and librettist Alasdair Middleton. Adapted from Simon Mayo's best-selling novels, *Itch* and *Itch Rocks*, with a sparkling ensemble cast and a soundworld that speaks of dangerous treasures, this is an element-hunting adventure story for all ages, spliced with comedy, peril and brilliant operatic set-pieces.

22, *26, 28 & 30 July, *2 & 4 August
(*best availability)



R U D D I G O R E

W.S. Gilbert & Arthur Sullivan

A witch's curse, a thwarted courtship, and the irksome business of committing daily acts of wickedness.

A witch's curse, a thwarted courtship, an assumed identity and the irksome business of committing daily acts of wickedness. Opera Holland Park and Charles Court Opera reunite for a scintillatingly silly co-production of Gilbert and Sullivan's comic opera, *Ruddigore*, lampooning etiquette books and the Victorian obsession with the supernatural. John Savournin directs and sings the role of Sir Despard Murgatroyd, leading a splendid cast of G&S stalwarts and fresh talent.

9, *10, 11 & 12 August
(*best availability)

HOSTING AN EVENING AT OPERA HOLLAND PARK

Hospitality packages can be tailor-made to fit your purposes and budget, and include:

- Top-tier tickets with extraordinary views of the stage and orchestra
- Pre-show and sparkling interval reception for 50 in our private hospitality space, The Dutch Garden Lounge
- Drinks and canapés for 20 in a private wing of our Supporters bar, The Ensemble
- Drinks and picnic boxes for 10 in one of our dedicated picnicking areas, overlooking Holland Park
- Opportunities for behind-the-scenes access, cast meet-and-greets, and signed programmes from the cast
- Bespoke arrangements provided by a dedicated Opera Holland Park staff member



HOST AN AWAY DAY WITH A DIFFERENCE

We also offer opportunities to hire our space for day-time events.

Host a meeting overlooking the tulips in Holland Park, organise a team-building session at the theatre with refreshments in one of our beautiful hospitality spaces, get the creative juices flowing after watching some of a stage rehearsal, get coached by an opera singer on presentation and communication skills or even get your team to sing on our stage!



Plan your next act

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