

2009 ASH LAWN OPERA FESTIVAL OPERA CONNECTS FOR TEACHERS

May 12, 2009 The faculty of Central Virginia's public and independent schools are invited to explore Ash Lawn Opera Festival's 2009 season: *The Marriage of Figaro* by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart and *Camelot* by Alan Jay Lerner and Frederick Loewe. These events for teachers are FREE (unless \$ noted) and are provided by the Ash Lawn Opera Festival Guild.

For the **fifteenth year**, classroom, arts, and other educators are provided "hands-on" experiences:

- ♪ meetings with music and stage directors, opera & musical theater performances
- ♪ materials and resources connecting music, production art forms of the Ash Lawn Opera Festival to English (Legends of Arthur, Sword and the Stone), History (French Revolution era), Life Skills, Fine Arts, and Virginia SOLs
- ♪ "ready-to-use" classroom ideas from OPERA America's Lending Library – Opera America, Colorado Opera, San Diego Opera, New York's Metropolitan Opera radio performances' website, and more.

Commitment must be made to attend at least **3 sessions -- 1 must be *educational**.
Sessions and events are available for re-certification.

- ▶ June 11 6:30 pm Meet and listen to **Opera Festival Company Apprentices in Concert** as guests at the annual Guild Buffet Supper!
- ▶ *June 24 ****2 educational sessions** at Ash Lawn Opera Office Downtown! Lunch for those attending am & pm!
 - *10 – 11:30 am Introduction to 2008 Season **Judy Walker, General Director**; discussion of education materials and differences between opera and musical theatre; **Adam Turner, Resident Conductor**, talks about music of **THE MARRIAGE OF FIGARO** and **CAMELOT** and more!
 - 11:30 – 12 Lunch for attendees at both sessions!
 - *12 – 2 pm **Opera singers** talk about voices, opera and careers; **Technical Director**, discusses "behind the scenes" technical aspects of the summer season. Visit Paramount site. Hear about company Apprentices visits to Charlottesville schools/ Parks & Recreation camps preparing students for visits to KidsFest –
- ▶ July 2 6:45 – 8 pm **KidsFest** Charlottesville Parks & Rec's **Summer Program** students participate in activities before **CAMELOT**. FREE PIZZA SUPPER. "Teacher helpers" bring **your children too** – register now!
- ▶ July 2 8 – 10 pm. Dress Rehearsal of **CAMELOT** by Alan Jay Lerner and Frederick Loewe at Paramount Theater!
- ▶ July 16 6:30 – 8 pm **KidsFest** Charlottesville Parks & Rec's **Summer Program** students participate in activities to introduce **THE MARRIAGE OF FIGARO**. FREE PIZZA SUPPER "Teacher helpers" bring **your children too** – register now!
- ▶ July 16 8 – 10 pm. Dress Rehearsal of **THE MARRIAGE OF FIGARO** by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart at Paramount Theater!
- ▶ * August 1 10:45 am. **Figaro! WHO? By Ash Lawn Opera Apprentices** Parents & families learn about opera! It takes place at SUMMER SATURDAYS in the Pavillion at Ash Lawn-Highland. Education "handouts" will be given. **11 am See SUMMER SATURDAYS performance. FREE** for registered teachers.

OTHER RE-CERTIFICATION OPPORTUNITIES

- ▶ **Serve as Ushers at regular performances (spouse, friend, or high school aged child can do it too) and see performance free! Paramount Theater OR**
- ▶ **\$ Buy a ticket & attend performance of Festival Season or Music at Twilight (2 dates TBA) at Ash Lawn site**
- ▶ **Attend FREE Apprentice Artist Recitals at 2 pm July/August (dates TBA) at First Presbyterian Church**

- ▶ **RE-CERTIFICATION POINTS** Teachers must attend at least 3 sessions to be eligible for re-certification. One must be an *education session. ****June 24 -- 10 am session is required for first time attendees!

Other education: *June 24 12–2pm and *August 1, Summer Saturdays Figaro! WHO? 10:15 am – noon.
For further information call Jean Wilhelm 434-296-3518 or Ash Lawn Opera Festival Office 434-293-4500

To enroll, please fill out registration form and **return by June 5, 2009 to:**

OPERA CONNECTS FOR TEACHERS Jean Wilhelm, 212 Montvue Drive, Charlottesville VA 22901

Registration forms will also be on website www.ashlawnopera.org

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PLEASE RETURN THIS REGISTRATION FORM BY JUNE 5, 2009

NAME _____ HOME PHONE _____

HOME ADDRESS (including zip) _____

SCHOOL _____ GRADE LEVEL/SUBJECT _____

SCHOOL DIVISION _____ E MAIL AT HOME _____

CHECK SESSIONS YOU WILL BE ATTENDING (You must make a commitment to attend at **least 3 sessions, including *1 educational session.**) **First time participants must attend June 24 , 10 am session for introduction to 2009 Season – Important to understanding – selection of season, auditions, staging, and connecting opera and musical theater to curriculum!**

_____ June 11 6:30 pm Meet and hear **Opera Festival Company Apprentices** as guests at the annual Guild Buffet Supper! Home of Guild member, Pat Davis
(2 hours)

ASH LAWN OPERA FESTIVAL OFFICE 111 4TH STREET NE, CHARLOTTESVILLE DOWNTOWN

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(1 ½ hours)

_____ * June 24 12 – 2 pm **Opera Singers** talk about careers; **Technical Director** discusses “behind the scenes” technical aspects of summer season; -- and more! Walk to Paramount Theater Site
(2 hours) FREE LUNCH 11:30 – NOON FOR ATTENDEES OF AM & PM SESSIONS

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(1 ½ hour) introducing **CAMELOT** Pizza Supper! At Paramount Theater Site.

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_____ \$ Buy ticket to performance (2 hours) Opera Festival Season or \$ Music at Twilight (2) at Ash Lawn July TBA

_____ Attend FREE Apprentice Artists' Recitals 2 pm, July /August TBA at 1ST Presbyterian Church
(1 hour each)

Sign up for Recertification Name _____ Email _____

School Division Staff person to receive report _____

Address _____ Phone _____