

## THE ATLANTA OPERA FACT SHEET:

- **Established in 1979, through the merger of Atlanta Lyric Opera and Georgia Opera**
- **1985 Metropolitan Opera stopped visiting Atlanta, enabling The Atlanta Opera to begin producing its own operas**
- **Presents three (3) mainstage productions annually**
- **Resident company at the Cobb Energy Performing Arts Centre**
  - Has been at the Cobb Energy Center since September 2007
  - Past resident sites: Civic Center, Fox Theatre, Symphony Hall and Alliance Theatre
- **The Atlanta Opera Family**
  - Administrative offices are in Atlanta (Northside Drive)
  - Average number of Subscribers - 6,000 (The theatre seats 2,618)
  - Volunteer Base of over 100, who assist in the office and with various events
- **Outreach and Education Opportunities**
  - [Atlanta Opera Extras](#)
    - Events with Community Partners that bring opera to neighborhoods around Atlanta. Examples include:
      - Pop-Up Opera – surprise, unannounced performances
      - Participation in events organized by community partners
  - [Opera Family Day](#)
    - An annual event, usually held in the spring, for young children and families to learn about and celebrate opera. Activities include:
      - Opera performances
      - Instrument petting zoo
      - Interactive costume shop
      - Stage combat demonstrations
      - Stage makeup demonstrations
      - Crafts
  - [Opera Chat](#)
    - Free panel discussions at Barnes and Noble – Buckhead, featuring singers and artists from each mainstage production
  - [Opera 101](#)
    - A free, multimedia presentation introducing each of the 2011-2012 mainstage productions in which audiences learn about the history, background and story line of an opera. Hosted the Monday before each production opens at The Atlanta Opera Center by opera aficionado, Carter Joseph.
  - [Opera with an Edge](#)
    - A free season preview at the Cobb Energy Center.

- [Pre-Opera Talks](#)
  - A one hour discussion in advance of performances at the Cobb Energy Center that provides information on the opera the audience is about to see.
- [Free Dress Rehearsal passes to non-profits that provide services for children and families](#)
  - Complimentary Dress Rehearsal passes, on a limited basis, to non-profit organizations serving children and families.
- [The Atlanta Opera Studio Tour](#)
  - One hour performance opportunities that tour Georgia schools. Educational prep materials that correspond directly to Georgia Performance Standards in Language Arts and Reading, Social Studies, Science and Mathematics are provided.
- [Opera Workshops](#)
  - Designed for a classroom of students, the workshops allow extensive interaction between students and artists.
- [Community Performances for Homeschools and Families](#)
  - Provide homeschool students and families with the opportunity to see opera in a community setting
- [The Atlanta Opera High School Opera Institute](#)
  - An eight month training program for High School Students, grades 10-12, who are interested in pursuing a career in opera.
- [Comprimarios](#)
  - The Atlanta Opera's Young Professionals Group. Provides special ticket deals, and access to a network of other opera lovers!
- [National Opera Week](#)
  - Opera companies around the United States offer a week of free opera events for their communities.
- [Student Tickets](#)
  - \$15 per ticket, with \$10 going to the opera and \$5 going straight to your school.
- [Professional Development Opportunities](#)
  - Internships
  - Music!Words!Opera!
  - Workshops for Educators