**2020 Opera Series EBU/USA**Broadcast Schedule —Spring/Summer 2020

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**PROGRAM #: OS 20-01**

**RELEASE: May 16, 2020**

**OPERA: Alceste (in French)**

COMPOSER: Christoph Willibald Gluck

LIBRETTO: Marius-François-Louis Gand Lebland, Bailli Du Roullet after Ranieri de’ Calzabigi

VENUE: National Theatre, Munich

PRESENTING COMPANY: Bavarian State Opera

**CAST:**

Admeto Charles Castronovo

Alceste Dorothea Röschmann

High Priest of Apollo/Hercules Michael Nagy

Evandro Manuel Günther

Herald/Apollo Sean Michael Plumb

Oracle/Infernal Deity Callum Thorpe

ENSEMBLE: Bavarian State Orchestra and Opera Chorus

CONDUCTOR: Antonello Manacorda

DIRECTOR: Sidi Larbi Cherkaoui

**Approx. Length: 2 hours, 30 minutes**

**PROGRAM #: OS 20-02**

**RELEASE: May 23, 2020**

**OPERA: Tales of Hoffmann (in French)**

COMPOSER: Jacques Offenbach

LIBRETTO: Juless Babier, Michel Carré

VENUE: Vienna State Opera

PRESENTING COMPANY : Vienna State Opera

**CAST:**

Hoffmann Dmitry Korchak

Olympia/Antonia/Giulietta Olga Peretyatko

The Muse/Nicklausse Gaëlle Arquez

Councillor Lindorf/Coppélius/ Luca Pisaroni

Miracle/ Dapertutto

Andrès/Cochenille/Frantz/ Michael Laurenz

Pitichinaccio

ENSEMBLE: Vienna State Opera Chorus and Orchestra

CONDUCTOR: Frédéric Chaslin

DIRECTOR: Andrei Serban

**Approx. Length: 2 hours, 30 minutes**

**PROGRAM #: OS 20-03**

**RELEASE: May 30, 2020**

**OPERA: Elektra (in German)**

COMPOSER: Richard Strauss

LIBRETTO: Hugo von Hofmannsthal

VENUE: Vienna State Opera

PRESENTING COMPANY : Vienna State Opera

**CAST:**

Klytaemnestra Waltraud Meier

Elektra Christine Goerke

Chrysothemis Simone Schneider

Aegisth Norbert Ernst

Orest Michael Volle

ENSEMBLE: Vienna State Opera Orchestra

CONDUCTOR: Semyon Bychkov

DIRECTOR: Uwe Eric Laufenberg

**Approx. Length: 1 hours, 30 minutes**

**PROGRAM #: OS 20-04**

**RELEASE: June 6, 2020**

**OPERA: Cosi fan tutte (in Italian)**

COMPOSER: Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

LIBRETTO: Lorenzo Da Ponte

VENUE: Lyric Opera House

PRESENTING COMPANY : Lyric Opera of Chicago

**CAST:**

Fiordiligi: Ana María Martínez

Dorabella: Marianne Crebassa

Ferrando: Andrew Stenson

Guglielmo: Joshua Hopkins

Don Alfonso: Alessandro Corbelli

Despina: Elena Tsallagova

CONDUCTOR: James Gaffigan

DIRECTOR: John Cox

ENSEMBLE: Chorus and Orchestra of Lyric Opera of Chicago

**Approx. Length: 3 hours, 45 minutes**

**PROGRAM #: OS 20-05**

**RELEASE: June 13, 2020**

**OPERA: Turandot (in Italian)**

COMPOSER: Giacomo Puccini

LIBRETTO: G. Adami and R. Simoni

VENUE: Lyric Opera House

PRESENTING COMPANY : Lyric Opera of Chicago

**CAST:**

A Mandarin: Patrick Guetti

Timur: Andrea Silvestrelli

Calaf: Stefano La Colla

Liù: Maria Agresta

Prince of Persia: Geoffrey Agpalo

Ping Zachary Nelson

Pang: Rodell Rosel

Pong: Keith Jameson

Turandot’s Handmaidens: Desirée Hassler & Stephanie Schoenhofer

Emperor Altoum: Josh Lovell

Turandot: Amber Wagner

CONDUCTOR: Sir Andrew Davis

DIRECTOR: Rob Kearley

ENSEMBLE: Chorus and Orchestra of Lyric Opera of Chicago

**Approx. Length: 2 hours, 45 minutes**

**PROGRAM #: OS 20-06**

**RELEASE: June 20, 2020**

**OPERA: Rigoletto (in Italian)**

COMPOSER: Giuseppe Verdi

LIBRETTO: Francesco Maria Piave

VENUE: Lyric Opera House

PRESENTING COMPANY : Lyric Opera of Chicago

**CAST:**

Duke of Mantua: Matthew Polenzani

Borsa: Mario Rojas

Countess Ceprano: Whitney Morrison

Rigoletto: Quinn Kelsey

Marullo: Takaoki Onishi

Count Ceprano: Alan Higgs

Count Monterone: Todd Thomas

Sparafucile: Alexander Tsymbalyuk

Gilda: Rosa Feola

Giovanna: Lauren Decker

A Page: Diana Newman

An Usher: Kenneth Nichols

Maddalena: Zanda Švēde

ENSEMBLE: Chorus and Orchestra of Lyric Opera of Chicago

CONDUCTOR: Marco Armiliato

DIRECTOR: E. Loren Meeker

**Approx. Length: 2 hours, 45 minutes**

**PROGRAM #: OS 20-07**

**RELEASE: June 27, 2020**

**OPERA: The Pearl Fishers (in French)**

COMPOSER: Georges Bizet

LIBRETTO: Michel Carré and Eugène Cormon

VENUE: Lyric Opera House

PRESENTING COMPANY : Lyric Opera of Chicago

**CAST:**

Zurga: Mariusz Kwiecień

Nadir: Matthew Polenzani

Nourabad: Andrea Silvestrelli

Leïla: Marina Rebeka

ENSEMBLE: Chorus and Orchestra of Lyric Opera of Chicago

CONDUCTOR: Sir Andrew Davis

DIRECTOR: Andrew Sinclair

**Approx. Length: 2 hours, 30 minutes**

**PROGRAM #: OS 20-08**

**RELEASE: July 4, 2020**

**OPERA: Die Walküre (in German)**

COMPOSER: Richard Wagner

LIBRETTO: Richard Wagner

VENUE: Lyric Opera House

PRESENTING COMPANY: Lyric Opera of Chicago

**CAST:**

Siegmund: Brandon Jovanovich

Sieglinde: Elisabet Strid

Hunding: Ain Anger

Wotan: Eric Owens

Brünnhilde: Christine Goerke

Fricka: Tanja Ariane Baumgartner

Gerhilde: Whitney Morrison

Helmwige: Alexandra LoBianco

Waltraute: Catherine Martin

Schwertleite: Lauren Decker

Ortlinde: Laura Wilde

Siegrune: Deborah Nansteel

Grimgerde: Zanda Švēde

Rossweisse: Lindsay Ammann

ENSEMBLE: Orchestra of Lyric Opera of Chicago

CONDUCTOR: Sir Andrew Davis

DIRECTOR: David Pountney

**Approx. Length: 5 hours, 15 minutes**

**PROGRAM #: OS 20-09**

**RELEASE: July 11, 2020**

**OPERA: Faust (in French)**

COMPOSER: Charles Gounod

LIBRETTO: Jules Barbier and Michel Carré

VENUE: Lyric Opera House

PRESENTING COMPANY: Lyric Opera of Chicago

**CAST:**

Faust: Benjamin Bernheim

Marguerite: Ailyn Pérez

Méphistophélès: Christian Van Horn

Valentin: Edward Parks

ENSEMBLE: Chorus and Orchestra of Lyric Opera of Chicago

CONDUCTOR: Emmanuel Villaume

DIRECTOR: Kevin Newbury

**Approx. Length: 4 hours**

**PROGRAM #: OS 20-10**

**RELEASE: July 18 2020**

**OPERA: Orphée et Eurydice (in French)**

COMPOSER: Christoph Willibald Gluck

LIBRETTO: Pierre-Louis Moline

VENUE: Lyric Opera House

PRESENTING COMPANY: Lyric Opera of Chicago

**CAST:**

Orphée: Dmitry Korchak

Eurydice: Andriana Chuchman

Amour: Lauren Snouffer

ENSEMBLE: Chorus and Orchestra of Lyric Opera of Chicago

CONDUCTOR: Harry Bicket

DIRECTOR: John Neumeier

**Approx. Length: 2 hours, 30 minutes**

**PROGRAM #: OS 20-11**

**RELEASE: July 25, 2020**

**OPERA: I puritani (in Italian)**

COMPOSER: Vincenzo Bellini

LIBRETTO: Carlo Pepoli

VENUE: Lyric Opera House

PRESENTING COMPANY: Lyric Opera of Chicago

**CAST:**

Elvira: Albina Shagimuratova

Arturo: Lawrence Brownlee

Riccardo: Anthony Clark Evans

Giorgio: Adrian Sâmpetrean

ENSEMBLE: Chorus and Orchestra of Lyric Opera of Chicago

CONDUCTOR: Enrique Mazzolla

DIRECTOR: Eric Einhorn

**Approx. Length: 2 hours, 45 minutes**