

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

*Please Note: due to production considerations, duration for each production is subject to change. Please consult associated cue sheet for final cast list, timings, and more details. Due to the 2020 COVID-19 situation, the WFMT Radio Network will release information in batches as opera broadcasts are confirmed. Please contact [eusher@wfmt.com](mailto:eusher@wfmt.com) for more information.*

**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:** Jules 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/ Miracle/ Dapertutto	Luca Pisaroni
Andrès/Cochénille/Frantz/ Pitichinaccio	Michael Laurenz

ENSEMBLE:	Vienna State Opera Chorus and Orchestra
CONDUCTOR:	Frédéric Chaslin
DIRECTOR:	Andrei Serban

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

---

<b>PROGRAM #:</b>	<b>OS 20-03</b>
<b>RELEASE:</b>	<b>May 30, 2020</b>

<b>OPERA:</b>	<b>Elektra (in German)</b>
---------------	----------------------------

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**

---

<b>PROGRAM #:</b>	<b>OS 20-04</b>
<b>RELEASE:</b>	<b>June 6, 2020</b>

**OPERA:** **Così 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:**

Siegmond: 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 Sâmpetean

ENSEMBLE: Chorus and Orchestra of Lyric Opera of Chicago  
CONDUCTOR: Enrique Mazzolla  
DIRECTOR: Eric Einhorn

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

---