

**2026 WFMT Opera Series
Broadcast Schedule & Cast Information — Fall 2026
(Part 2)**

Please Note: due to production considerations, the duration for each production is subject to change. Please consult the associated cue sheet for final cast list, timings, and more details.

PROGRAM:	OS 26-22
RELEASE:	October 31, 2026
OPERA:	Pagliacci
COMPOSER:	Ruggero Leoncavallo
VENUE:	North Shore Center for the Performing Arts in Skokie, Illinois
CAST:	
NEDDA	Michelle Allie Drever
CANIO	Jonathan Burton
TONIO	Franco Pomponi
PEPPE	Jerek Fernández
SILVIO	Jonathan Wilson
ENSEMBLE:	Opera Festival of Chicago Orchestra & Chorus
CONDUCTOR:	Emanuele Andrizzi
Approx. Length:	1 hour, 35 minutes

PROGRAM:	OS 26-23
RELEASE:	November 7, 2026
OPERA:	Peter Grimes
COMPOSER:	Benjamin Britten
VENUE:	Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, London, England
CAST:	
PETER GRIMES	Allan Clayton
ELLEN ORFORD	Maria Bengtsson
CAPTAIN BALSTRODE	Sir Bryn Terfel
SWALLOW	Clive Bayley
NED KEENE	Jacques Imbrailo
AUNTIE	Catherine Wyn-Rogers
MRS SEDLEY	Christine Rice
BOB BOLES	John Graham-Hall
HOBSON	Barnaby Rea
REV. HORACE ADAMS	James Gilchrist

FIRST NIECE
SECOND NIECE

Jennifer France
Natalia Labourdette

ENSEMBLE:
CONDUCTOR:

Orchestra & Chorus of the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden
Jakub Hrůša

Approx. Length:

2 hours, 39 minutes

PROGRAM:
RELEASE:

OS 26-24
November 14, 2026

OPERA:

Rienzi

COMPOSER:
VENUE:

Richard Wagner
Bayreuth Festspielhaus, Germany

CAST:

RIENZI
IRENE
STEFFANO COLONNA
ADRIANO
PAOLO ORSINI
CARDINAL RAIMONDO
BARONCELLI
CECCO DEL VECCHIO
MESSENGER OF PEACE

Andreas Schager
Gabriela Scherer
Andreas Bauer Kanabas
Jennifer Holloway
Michael Nagy
Vitalij Kowaljow
Matthias Stier
Michael Kupfer-Radecky
Victoria Randem

ENSEMBLE:
CONDUCTOR:

Bayreuth Festival Orchestra & Chorus
Nathalie Stutzmann

Approx. Length:

3 hours, 44 minutes

PROGRAM:
RELEASE:

OS 26-25
November 21, 2026

OPERA:

Adriana Lecouvreur

COMPOSER:
VENUE:

Francesco Cilea
Vienna State Opera, Vienna, Austria

CAST:

ADRIANA LECOUVREUR
MAURIZIO
PRINCESS DE BOUILLON
PRINCE DE BOUILLON

Ermonela Jaho
Luciano Ganci
Elīna Garanča
Simonas Strazdas

MICHONNET	Roberto Frontali
THE ABBÉ DE CHAZEUIL	Andrea Giovannini
QUINAULT	Ivo Stanchev
POISSON	Carlos Osuna
MAJOR-DOMO Carl	Tertio Druml
JOUVENOT	Ileana Tonca
DANGEVILLE	Jana Markovic
ENSEMBLE:	Vienna State Opera Orchestra & Chorus
CONDUCTOR:	Marco Armiliato
Approx. Length:	2 hours, 27 minutes

PROGRAM:	OS 26-26
RELEASE:	November 28, 2026
OPERA:	La clemenza di Tito
COMPOSER:	Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
VENUE:	Vienna State Opera, Vienna, Austria
CAST:	
TITO	Katleho Mokhoabane
VITELLIA	Hanna-Elisabeth Müller
SERVILIA	Florina Ilie
SESTO	Emily D'Angelo
ANNIO	Alma Neuhaus
PUBLIO	Matheus França
ENSEMBLE:	Vienna State Opera Orchestra & Chorus
CONDUCTOR:	Pablo Heras-Casado
Approx. Length:	2 hours, 17 minutes

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