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**ENZIAN PARTNERS WITH OPERA ORLANDO AND ORLANDO BALLET
FOR ANNUAL SUMMER OPERA & BALLET SERIES**

Orlando, FL (May 30, 2019) – Enzian’s annual Opera and Ballet on the Big Screen Summer Series runs Saturday, June 15 – Saturday, September 21, featuring an extraordinary lineup of performances from The Royal Opera and Royal Ballet filmed in high definition and showcased in spectacular digital cinema.

Enzian Theater’s Programming Director, Matthew Curtis said, “We are incredibly excited about this year’s Opera and Ballet series, which features two extraordinary opera titles making their long-awaited debuts to this series. Additionally, we have astonishingly beautiful new productions of a couple of our favorite ballet classics.”

Opera and ballet fans can purchase a [Season Pass](#) to all four performances and receive discounted admission, as well as a complimentary glass of house wine at each show. All performances can also be purchased individually.

**WHAT: Opera on the Big Screen
In Partnership with [Opera Orlando](#)**

[FAUST](#)

Saturday, June 15th at 11AM

Experience the decadence and elegance of 1870s Paris in David McVicar’s spectacular production of Gounod’s best-loved opera!

There are many versions of the story of Faust, who trades his soul with the Devil for youth and power, but Gounod’s opera remains one of the most constantly enthralling. Michael Fabiano stars as Faust, with Diana Damrau as his beloved Marguerite and Erwin Schrott as the diabolical Méphistophélès. Virtuoso leading roles, a large chorus, sensational sets, ballet and an ecstatic finale make this the epitome of theatrical spectacle – the lavish scale of French grand opera is wonderfully in evidence in this production by David McVicar, set in 1870s Paris. Above all, the music includes several of popular opera’s most recognizable numbers, performed by a cast of great international singers and the Royal Opera Chorus.

Please be advised: Faust contains brief sexual violence, and drug misuse.
225 minutes

LA FORZA DEL DESTINO

Saturday, August 17th at 11AM

Christof Loy directs a star-studded cast of singers, including Anna Netrebko, Jonas Kaufmann, and Ludovic Tezier, in Verdi's epic opera, conducted by Antonio Pappano.

Leonora falls in love with Don Alvaro, but when her father forbids their marriage, a fatal accident triggers a drama of obsession, vengeance, and tragedy. Jonas Kaufmann and Anna Netrebko star in Verdi's epic *La forza del destino* (The Force of Destiny) an opera which demands the very best of singers for its powerful music and the fullest theatrical treatment for its story of bitter revenge pursued across miles and years. The production comes to The Royal Opera in a sensational staging from Amsterdam packed with color and action. It is directed by Christof Loy and conducted by Antonio Pappano, Music Director of The Royal Opera.

255 minutes

Ballet on the Big Screen

In Partnership with [Orlando Ballet](#)

ROMEO AND JULIET

Saturday, July 20th at 11AM

Shakespeare's star-crossed lovers encounter passion and tragedy in Kenneth MacMillan's 20th century ballet masterpiece.

Shakespeare's enduring love story is known the world over. Since its 1965 premiere with The Royal Ballet, Kenneth MacMillan's *Romeo and Juliet* has become a modern ballet classic. The choreography captures the emotions of the young couple as they fall in love, despite the barriers that finally bring about the story's tragic end. Each revival gives opportunities for new dancers to interpret the doomed lovers. The whole Company brings the color and action of Renaissance Verona, where a busy market all too quickly bursts into sword fighting, and a family feud leads to tragedy for both the Montagues and Capulets.

195 minutes

DON QUIXOTE

Saturday, September 21st at 11AM

Love and friendship triumph in Carlos Acosta's vibrant production of this dazzling ballet.

Don Quixote has inspired countless artistic interpretations. Marius Petipa choreographed this sparkling ballet about the encounters of the man from La Mancha and his faithful squire Sancho Panza. At its heart are virtuoso roles for the lovers Basilio and Kitri. Carlos Acosta chose this joyful classic for his first production for The Royal Ballet. His vibrant staging brings together the whole Company in such roles as exuberant villagers, passionate gypsies, and even fantasy flowers. The story follows Don Quixote's picaresque journey to do deeds in honor of his imaginary noble lady, Dulcinea. Sunny, charming, funny, and touching – Don Quixote is a ballet as full of uplifting emotion as it is of astonishing ballet technique.

165 minutes

WHERE: **Enzian Theater**, 1300 South Orlando Avenue, Maitland, FL 32751

TICKETS: Complete Season Pass (admission to all 4 opera and ballet performances; includes one free glass of house wine at each show) – [\\$66](#)
Enzian Member Single Performance – **\$17.50**
General Admission Single Performance – **\$20**

Enzian Members that are Contributor level or above and Season Passholders are able to make a table reservation for this series. Reservations can only be made after a ticket or Season Pass has been purchased and are limited. Please make sure to have your confirmation number ready to provide to the box officer at time of your reservation.

INFO: Enzian is Central Florida's only full-time, not-for-profit cinema for first-run independent and international film, classic revivals, documentary features, and select family entertainment. Enzian, a member-supported organization serving the community for more than 34 years, is home to the Florida Film Festival and Eden Bar. For additional information, visit Enzian.org, call general information at (407) 629-1088, or visit us on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).

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