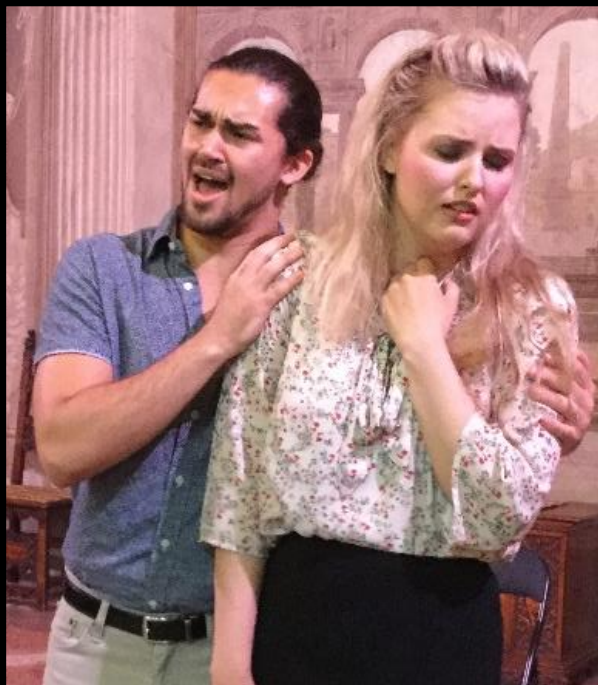


Opera Viva!

2021

An opportunity for young vocalists, collaborative pianists and stage directors to study and perform in Verona, Italy, a location steeped in the musical and cultural history of Italian opera.



APPLICATIONS NOW BEING ACCEPTED FOR THE 2021 SEASON

We will hold a single session in 2021:
June 27 – July 18, 2021



Opera Viva! offers a unique educational and travel experience. The program for young artists provides the perfect balance between classes, concert performances, planned events and independent exploration.



The program develops each voice through private lessons and coaching, classroom instruction in the Italian language, acting and stage directing, opera scenes and concert repertoire.



Masterclasses in sacred music, career preparation, musical theater performance and Alexander Technique are also included. Every student performs in three public recitals featuring solo concert repertoire, opera arias and opera scenes.

The Opera Viva! Schedule

Daily Schedule

9:00 – 10:00	Italian language class
10:00 – 11:00	Masterclasses Week 1: sacred concert repertoire Week 2: career development Week 3: musical theater crossover
11:00 – 12:00	Recitative/stage directing (alternate days)
12:00 – 1:00	Lunch
1:00 – 5:00	Private lessons, coaching, private career development and scene rehearsals



Other Activities



- Attending an opera performance each week at *l'Arena di Verona*
- Weekly student performances
- Free time on weekends to explore Verona and the surrounding region

Application & Tuition

The application deadline for Opera Viva! 2021 is April 1, 2021.

Tuition for each three-week session is \$4,900.

Tuition includes:

- *Private voice lessons (twice weekly)*
- *Private opera coaching (twice weekly)*
- *Italian language classes (daily)*
- *Italian concert repertoire master classes*
- *Professional coaching and performances of opera scenes*
- *Private Italian Diction coaching*
- *Alexander Technique coaching*
- *Tickets to opera performances at l’Arena di Verona (weekly)*
- *Accompanists for lessons, coaching and performances*
- *Recital/performance opportunities for every participant*
- *Welcome gathering with refreshments*
- *Farewell dinner*
- *Air-conditioned apartment, double or triple occupancy*

Accommodations are centrally located within easy walking distance of Verona’s historic city center. We reside, study and rehearse in one convenient location. The [Residence All’Adige](#) features lovely air-conditioned apartments, generous classrooms and rehearsal space.

Tuition does not include:

- *Flights or transportation fees*
- *Passports or legal fees*
- *Food or personal expenses*
- *Phone calls*



Application

The application deadline for Opera Viva! 2021 is April 1, 2021.

Submit your application at

<https://italyoperaviva.com/young-artists/young-artists-application/>

Application Requirements

Your name, mailing address & email address

Your phone number

Data of birth

School or university name

Voice teacher's name and email address

Session dates:

27 June – 18 July 2021



Link to an online video (e.g., YouTube) of you performing two (2) Italian arias

Your resume

Reminder: the \$50 application fee has been waived for 2021. You will receive feedback on your audition submission from our world-class faculty of voice teachers and vocal coaches, in addition to our decision to accept you into the Opera Viva! program.

A NOTE ABOUT 2021



All of us at Opera Viva! were heartbroken when we had to cancel our 2020 program. We missed the music, we missed *bella Italia*, and most of all we missed our Opera Viva! family.

We are planning to return to Verona in the summer of 2021. But the safety and well-being of our students, our faculty, and our Italian friends and neighbors takes precedence over all else. We cannot predict what the state of the global COVID-19 pandemic will be, but we are choosing to be optimistic.

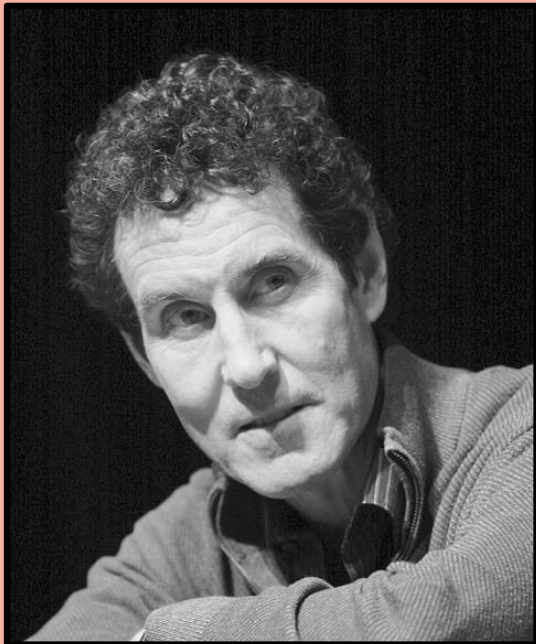
We are accepting applications, evaluating student auditions, and accepting performers in the eventuality that we may all travel to Italy in 2021. We will make our final decision in early May.

For now, we are waiving our \$50 application fee for students. Fully refundable deposits are due by April 15, with the remaining balance due when the program has been confirmed.

Our world-class faculty will review your audition videos and will provide feedback. This is a valuable component of your education, so don't miss out! Submit your application today at

<https://italyoperaviva.com/young-artists/young-artists-application/>

Select Opera Viva! Faculty



David Walsh
University of Minnesota



Katherine Ciesinski
Eastman School of Music



Lisa Sylvester
University of
Southern California



Lauren Athey-Janka
Westminster Choir College

About *Opera Viva!*

2021 is the twelfth joyous year for our program for young artists and opera lovers in Verona, Italy.

Founded by **Dr. Madelyn Spring Gearheart**, *Opera Viva!* delivers three programs each summer:

- Our Young Artists program follows a **pedagogical model of opera studies**, giving students the tools they need to advance to the next level of their professional preparation.
- Our Professional Development program provides **networking opportunities for music educators** to develop ideas for the curricula at their college or university.
- Our Bravo Club program for tourists brings **lovers of opera and Italian culture** to Verona to see the sights, taste the tastes and delve into the world of Italian opera through touring the region, seeing world-class performances at *l'Arena di Verona*, and supporting the development of young artists at the onset of their careers.



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