



HoustonGrandOpera

ANNOUNCES CHILDREN'S CHORUS AUDITIONS FOR WERTHER & TOSCA

October 15th, 2022 – 10:00am-3:00pm

Houston Grand Opera Association announces auditions for children's chorus for its winter repertory production of *Werther* and spring repertory production of *Tosca*. Boys (with unchanged voices) and girls ages 7 - 17 are invited to audition. Auditionees will indicate on the audition form whether they are interested in both productions or just one.

Werther is performed in French and conducted by Robert Spano. Rehearsals begin on November 13th, 2022; performances begin on January 27th, 2023 and run through February 10th, 2023 at the Wortham Theater Center. There will be no rehearsals from December 21st, 2022 through January 1st, 2023. Karen Reeves is the Children's Chorus Director for the production.

Tosca is performed in Italian and conducted by Benjamin Manis. Rehearsals begin February 21st, 2023; performances begin on April 21st, 2023 and run through May 5th, 2023 at the Wortham Theater Center. There will be no rehearsals from March 11th, 2023 through March 17th, 2023. Madeline Slettedahl is the Children's Chorus Director for the production. A child soloist for the role of the Shepherd will be cast from among members of the Children's Chorus selected for *Tosca*.

Children who are selected are required to abide by HGO's general Workplace Safety Protocols, including our COVID-19 Vaccine Policy, in place at the time of service. Currently, child choristers are required to provide proof of vaccination against COVID-19 and proof of booster (if eligible) against COVID-19 or a fully supported petition for exemption due to a qualifying disability or sincerely held religious belief.

Audition Date: Saturday, October 15th, 2022 – 10am-3pm

Audition Location: Wortham Theater Center
510 Preston Street
Houston, TX 77002

For this audition, the child should be prepared to sing from memory a song of their choice in a non-belt voice; no arias, please. Each child should bring a paper copy of their music for the pianist, whom Houston Grand Opera will provide. Pre-recorded accompaniment will not be used.

To arrange an audition time please use [this link](#). Your audition date and time will be confirmed via email within 3-5 business days.

If you have any questions please email Emilia Covault, Music Administrator, at ecovault@hgo.org.