UNT OPERA
2016-2017 Season
CAST LISTS
REVISED September 23, 2016

THANK YOU
to all who auditioned for us!

We’re proud of the way each of you performed. Obviously, it’s incredibly difficult for you to show all you can do in one short audition, with all its attendant pitfalls and unforeseen circumstances. It’s also difficult for us to make casting determinations based on that audition. We’re well aware that we couldn’t possibly have grasped the full extent of your talent and abilities, and that our own instincts and judgment are necessarily fallible and incomplete. What follows is our best effort to provide the right experience for you this year and to shape a season that gives as many opportunities as possible within the limitations of our program. We’d be happy to give you our feedback about your audition and to work in consultation with your voice teacher to craft a strategy to help you toward your goals for this year and for the future.

*The cast lists are necessarily subject to change.

*If your name does not appear on the following cast lists, you will not participate in UNT Opera this year. You will receive a refund when you drop the class.

*If you choose not to accept your assignment, please notify us immediately.

*If you decide to accept your assignment, please initial by your name everywhere it appears on the cast assignments sheet in the Murchison Performing Arts Center.

*1st class meeting: Wednesday, August 31, 3:45-6:15 p.m. in the Lyric Theater
All students are required to attend. We will discuss the class syllabus, make important introductions and announcements, discuss class policies, overview the season, and communicate our expectations for the year. We’ll also answer questions!
UNT Opera
Verdi’s *La traviata*
CONCERT PERFORMANCE
Performed in Italian with piano
Friday, September 16, 2016, 8:00 p.m.

Ricordi vocal score

**ROLES:**

- Violetta: Gabrielle Gilliam
- Annina: Gillian White
- Flora: Kayla Nanto
- Alfredo: Braun Oldenkamp
covers: Alex Longnecker, Nathan Schafer
- Gastone: Nathan Wiley
- Marquis: Benjamin Howard
- Germont: Levi Hernandez
cover: Mason Jarboe
- Baron: Anthony Potts
- Doctor: Lawrence Hall
UNT Opera

A Concert in Honor of Paula Homer

Performed with piano accompaniment
Sunday, September 25, 2016, 3:00 p.m.

PROGRAM:

Act IV Duet (Roméo et Juliette)                           Charles Gounod
Chabely Rendón, Juliette
Nathan Schafer, Roméo

“I’m Full of Happiness” (Albert Herring)                  Benjamin Britten
Brittany Jones, Lady Billows
Eun Ji Jung, Miss Wordsworth
Nicole Stover, Emmie
Lauren Lestage, Cis
Kelsey Korman, Harry
Mason Bynes, Nancy
Amanda O’Toole, Mum
Haley Malin, Florence Pike
Nathan Wiley, Mayor Upfold
Derrick Brown, Sid
Ben Howard, Vicar Gedge
Jacob Moreno, Superintendent Budd

Rain Quartet (Regina)                                 Marc Blitzstein
Alexandra Burkot, Alexandra
Rachael Fant, Birdie
Shanae Kemp, Addie
Jacob Moreno, Horace

“Ah, Michele, Don’t You Know” (The Saint of Bleecker Street) Gian Carlo Menotti
Claire Choquette, Desideria

Ice Cream Sextet (Street Scene)                             Kurt Weill
Eliza Smith, Greta Fiorentino
Shanae Kemp, Olga Olsen
Joseph Leon, Lippo Fiorentino
Derrick Brown, Henry Davis
Benjamin Howard, Mr. Jones
Jacob Moreno, Carl Olsen
“Take Me Back” (Our Town)  
Ned Rorem

Hilary Taylor, Emily

Act IV, Final Scene (Le nozze di Figaro)  
Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

Jessica Mock, Countess
Jocelyn Hansen, Susanna
Natasha Wroblewski, Barbarina
Samantha Wood, Marcellina
Claire Choquette, Cherubino
Santiago Gutiérrez Herrera, Curzio
Diego Valdez, Basilio
Anthony Potts, Count
Derrick Brown, Antonio
Lawrence Hall, Bartolo
Hastings Reeves, Figaro
UNT Opera  
Mozart's *Le nozze di Figaro*  
Performed in Italian with the UNT Symphony Orchestra  
November 4, 6, 11, 13, 2016  

**CASTS**

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+ CHORUS:
Claire Dugan, Kaila Nash, Madison Neusel, Alexandra Sanford, Natasha Wroblewski
Mason Bynes, Claire Choquette, Kelsey Korman, Haley Malin
Max Ary, Santiago Gutiérrez Herrera, Diego Valdez, Nathan Wiley
Lawrence Hall, Jacob Moreno

NOTE: Barbarina and Figaro sing with the CHORUS in Act I
NOTE: Susanna, Barbarina, Marcellina, Cherubino, Basilio, Curzio, Antonio, Figaro,
and Bartolo sing with the CHORUS in Act III

Please note the following important change to the master schedule:
Cast 1 will have its orchestra dress rehearsal on **Wednesday, November 2**
Cast 2 will have its orchestra dress rehearsal on **Tuesday, November 1**

Bärenreiter edition
UNT Opera

*Directors’ Scenes*

Monday, November 21, 2016, 8:00 p.m.

*Le nozze di Figaro Act I, Scenes 5-7*  
Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

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*Così fan Tutte Act I Finale*  
Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

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*Cenerentola Opening Scene*  
Gioachino Rossini

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*Anna Bolena Act II Duet*  
Gaetano Donizetti

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*La traviata Act II (entire act divided into 3 scenes)*  
Giuseppe Verdi

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*Un ballo in maschera Act I, Scene II (pp. 61-72)*  
Giuseppe Verdi

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**Roméo et Juliette Act IV Duet**  
Charles Gounod  
| Juliette | Chabely Rendón  
| Roméo | Nathan Schafer  

**Mikado Duet ("Were You Not to Ko-Ko Plighted")**  
Arthur Sullivan  
| Nanki-Poo | Diego Valdez  
| Yum-Yum | Claire Dugan  

**Manon St. Sulpice Scene**  
Jules Massenet  
| Manon | Rachael Fant  
| Des Grieux | Joseph Leon  

**Falstaff Act I, Scene II (cuts TBD)**  
Giuseppe Verdi  
| Nannetta | Jiyoon Nho  
| Alice | Gillian White  
| Meg | Jenny Ivánovna  
| Dame Quickly | Amanda O'Toole  
| Fenton | Max Ary  

**Cendrillon Act III Duet**  
Jules Massenet  
| Fairy | Kjersti Cooper  
| Cendrillon | Sara Kennedy  
| Prince | Helen Marincel  

**Madama Butterfly Act III Trio**  
Giacomo Puccini  
| Suzuki | Jenny Ivánovna  
| Pinkerton | Carlos Sáenz  
| Sharpless | Mason Jarboe  

**Street Scene Ice Cream Sextet**  
Kurt Weill  
| Greta Fiorentino | Eliza Smith  
| Olga Olsen | Shanae Kemp  
| Lippo Fiorentino | Joseph Leon  
| Henry Davis | Derrick Brown  
| George Jones | Benjamin Howard  
| Carl Olsen | Jacob Moreno  


**Albert Herring Act II, Scene 1**

- Lady Billows: Brittany Jones
- Miss Wordsworth: Eun Ji Jung
- Emmie: Nicole Stover
- Cis: Lauren Lestage
- Harry: Kelsey Korman
- Nancy: Mason Bynes
- Mum: Amanda O'Toole
- Florence Pike: Haley Malin
- Mayor Upfold: Nathan Wiley
- Sid: Derrick Brown
- Vicar Gedge: Ben Howard
- Superintendent: Budd Jacob Moreno

**Tartuffe Act I Trio**

- Dorine: Ariana Celeste
- Marianne: Clara Zepeda
- Valère: Martin Clark

**Lysistrata Act I Scene**

- Lysia: Jocelyn Hansen
- Xantho: Kjersti Cooper
- Charito: Alexandra Sanford
- Myrrhine: Jessica Mock
- Dika: Hilary Taylor
- Sappho: Claire Choquette
- Arete: Hannah Ceniseros
- Kleonike: Madelaine Martinez
- Lampito: Shanae Kemp

**Great Scott Act I Sextet**

- Tatyana: Clara Zepeda
- Winnie: Amanda Jacobsen
- Roane: Kelsey Korman
- Anthony: Alex Longnecker
- Wendell: Mason Jarboe
- Eric: Lawrence Hall
UNT Opera
Puccini’s *Madama Butterfly*
CONCERT PERFORMANCE
Performed in Italian with piano
Friday, January 20, 2017, 8:00 p.m.

Schirmer vocal score

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**CHORUS**

Alexandra Burkot, Ariana Celeste, Kjersti Cooper, Rachael Fant, Gabrielle Gilliam,
Eun Ji Jung, Bethany Mamola, Kaila Nash, Julia Pagh, Jae Park, Eliza Smith, Kimberly
Watson, Gillian White

Max Ary, Derrick Brown, Hyunwoo Cho [Acts II and III], Martin Clark, Santiago
Gutiérrez Herrera, Benjamin Howard, Joseph Leon, Alex Longnecker, Braun
Oldenkamp, Andrew Smathers, Diego Valdez, Nathan Wiley
UNT Opera
Sondheim’s A Little Night Music
Performed in English with the UNT Concert Orchestra
March 2, 3, 4, and 5, 2017

ROLES:
Mrs. Nordstrom (Liebeslieder)
  Jocelyn Hansen, Kimberly Watson
Mrs. Segstrom (Liebeslieder)
  Rachael Fant, Jessica Mock
Anne
  Sara Kennedy, Madison Neusel
Desiree
  Hilary Taylor, Samantha Wood
Fredrika
  Kelsey Korman, Lauren Lestage
Charlotte
  Rebecca Hansen, Madelaine Martinez
Mrs. Anderssen (Liebeslieder)
  Kelley Lokensgard, Josefina Maldonado
Petra
  Kayla Nanto, Julia Pagh
Mme. Armfeldt
  Amanda O’Toole, Eliza Smith
Mr. Erlanson (Liebeslieder)
  Joseph Leon, Diego Valdez
Henrik
  Braun Oldenkamp, Andrew Smathers
Mr. Lindquist (Liebeslieder)
  Derrick Brown, Benjamin Howard
Fredrik
  Malcolm Payne, Anthony Potts
Carl-Magnus
  Austin Murray, Hastings Reeves
*Malla (spoken)
  Natasha Wroblewski
*Osa (spoken)
  Alexandra Burkot
Frid (spoken)
  Derrick Brown, Benjamin Howard
*Bertrand (spoken)
  Santiago Gutiérrez Herrera

PLEASE NOTE: Singers in principal roles [except *] will be requested to be available for rehearsals the week before the spring semester begins (January 9-13).
UNT Opera
Poulenc's *Dialogues des Carmélites*
Performed in French with a small instrumental ensemble
April 6, 7, 8, and 9, 2017

**ROLES:**
**Blanche**
Gabrielle Gilliam, Chably Rendon
**Constance**
Ariana Celeste, Jocelyn Hansen
**Lidoine**
Brittany Jones, Gillian White
**Mother Marie**
Hannah Ceniseros, Josefina Maldonado
**Sister Mathilde**
Kelley Lokensgard
**Mother Jeanne**
Madelaine Martinez
**Old Prioress**
Shanae Kemp, Amanda O'Toole
**Chevalier**
Martin Clark, Carlos Sáenz
**Chaplain**
Alex Longnecker, Nathan Schafer
**1st Commissioner**
Joseph Leon, Diego Valdez
**2nd Commissioner**
Derrick Brown, Benjamin Howard
**1st Officer**
Derrick Brown, Benjamin Howard
**Marquis**
Daniel Lickteig, Austin Murray
**Jailer**
Levi Hernandez, Hastings Reeves
**Thierry**
Lawrence Hall, Jacob Moreno
**Javelinot**
Lawrence Hall, Jacob Moreno
*1st Old Woman (spoken)
  Mason Bynes

*2nd Old Woman (spoken)
  Haley Malin

*Old Man
  Nathan Wiley

ENSEMBLE OF NUNS:
Mother Gérald, Sister Claire, Sister Antoine, Sister Catherine, Sister Felicity, Sister Gertrude, Sister Alice, Sister Valentine, Sister Anne of the Cross, Sister Martha, Sister St. Charles

The following 11 singers will comprise the Ensemble of Nuns. Specific named roles will be assigned to each singer at a later date.
Alexandra Burkot
Sara Kennedy
Bethany Mamola
Julia Pagh
Eliza Smith
Kimberly Watson
Natasha Wroblewski
Rebecca Hansen
Jenny Ivánovna
Helen Marincel
Kayla Nanto

PLEASE NOTE: Singers in principal roles [except *] including the Ensemble of Nuns will be requested to be available for rehearsals the week of spring break (March 13-17).

CHORUS
Kjersti Cooper, Rachael Fant, Kaila Nash, Madison Neusel, Jae Park, Alexandra Sanford, Nicole Stover, Andrea Weidemann, Feifei Zheng, Clara Zepeda

Mason Bynes, Dominique Hicks, Kelsey Korman, Haley Malin, Grace Nelson

Max Ary, Martin Clark, Santiago Gutierrez Herrera, Joseph Leon, Alex Longnecker, Carlos Sáenz, Nathan Schafer, Andrew Smathers, Diego Valdez, Nathan Wiley

Derrick Brown, Lawrence Hall, Levi Hernandez, Benjamin Howard, Jacob Moreno, Malcolm Payne, Anthony Potts, Hastings Reeves