

ASOC children's theater presents 'The Jungle Book'

ASTORIA — The Astor Street Opry Company is proud to present a youth adaptation of Rudyard Kipling's masterpiece, "The Jungle Book."

Directed by Heather A. Yadon-Ramsdell, this show features over 40 young and talented actors.

Evening performances are at 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 17 and 24. Tickets for Friday evening performances are \$5 for all ages.

Matinee performances are at 2 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 18, 19, 25 and 26. Matinee tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children.

Tickets are available at the door, by calling 503-325-6104 or online at www.astorstreetoprycompany.com

The theater is located at 129 W. Bond St. and opens 30 minutes before each performance.

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Hear opera arias, choruses

Cascadia Concert Opera, North Coast Chorale present concert Feb. 18

ASTORIA — The Cascadia Concert Opera is returning to Astoria to perform with the North Coast Chorale a program of opera highlights: arias and choruses from some of the most well-known and well-loved operas sung in their original languages.

No need to wait for the Astoria Music Festival to hear vocal artistry sung with technical expertise and expression. Hear the performance at 7 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 18 at Clatsop Community College's Performing Arts Center, 588 16th St. Tickets are available at the door for \$25 general admission and \$15 for students with ID.

If music is the language of the heart, this presentation reflects the full range of human emotions. From the bright upbeat choruses of Gershwin's "Porgy and Bess," to Verdi's heroic themes from "Il Travatore," to the soulful longing in Purcell's "Dido's Lament" and Verdi's "Nabucco," the singers will project both the tragic and the comedic elements of life.

Cascadia Concert Opera is a nonprofit performing arts organization based in Eugene. Its troupe of established and emerging professional singers and pianists tours and presents opera in intimate venues throughout the Northwest.

While Cascadia Concert Opera provides the principal singers, the organization collaborates with local singers to support the choral sections. In this way it engag-



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On Feb. 18, the North Coast Chorale will join Cascadia Concert Opera in Astoria to present an eclectic collection of arias and choruses from some of the most well-known and well-loved operas.

es communities and, in some instances, introduces residents for the first time to the vibrant story-telling tradition of opera. Astoria audiences have enjoyed Cascadia's performance of Beethoven's "Fidelio" in 2014 and Mozart's "Don Giovanni" in 2015. The Feb. 18 production of opera highlights will help raise money for the North Coast Chorale, which in turn helps with the fundraising

efforts of Partners of the PAC. These efforts support the continued operations of the PAC facility as a venue for affordable artistic and educational offerings. Some proceeds of this concert will help fund Cascadia Concert Opera's upcoming "Tango of the White Gardenia." A tango-infused chamber opera, this production will be performed in Astoria and elsewhere.

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