



Bravo! Vail Music Festival and The Philadelphia Orchestra Present *La bohème* in 2024

Vail, CO (July 14, 2023)– The Bravo! Vail Music Festival (Bravo! Vail) announced the return of opera to its 37th Festival, presenting Puccini’s *La bohème* with The Philadelphia Orchestra on July 10 and 12, 2024 at the Gerald R. Ford Amphitheater.

Led by Music and Artistic Director **Yannick Nézet-Séguin**, the theatrically inspired production of the opera will include the Orchestra, a full chorus, and an all-star cast of singers with costumes and set design. Presenting the Orchestra onstage instead of in an opera pit, these performances will bring the full power and intricacies of Puccini’s score front and center to Bravo! Vail audiences.

“When we presented our first opera, *Tosca*, with Yannick and The Philadelphia Orchestra in 2019, the experience was so magical and impactful that we knew immediately opera belonged at Bravo! Vail,” said Bravo! Vail Artistic Director Anne-Marie McDermott. “I could not be more excited that we are finally seeing its return—this time the beloved classic *La bohème*.”

Set in 1830s Paris, the story of *La bohème* follows a group of impoverished artists and the tragic love that transpires between Mimì and Rodolfo. Since its 1896 premiere, *La bohème* has become one of the most recognized and frequently performed operas in the world, inspiring other works of art including the popular musical *Rent*.

Further details on the *La bohème* cast will be announced at a later date. Tickets will be available to donors in December of 2023 and to the general public beginning in late January of 2024. The 37th season of Bravo! Vail Music Festival will take place from June 20-August 1, 2024.

Photos for the press are available [here](#). Visit BravoVail.org for further information and updates.

About Bravo! Vail Music Festival

Consistently cited as one of the top 10 classical music festivals in the country, the Bravo! Vail Music Festival brings world-renowned musicians to picturesque venues throughout the Vail and Eagle River Valleys for six weeks, drawing music lovers from around the

world. The only festival in North America to host four of the world's finest orchestras in a single season, Bravo! Vail celebrates its 36th season from June 22 - August 3, 2023, with more than 80 concerts—half of which are presented for free in the community. Beyond its summer programming, Bravo! Vail serves the community by providing year-round, low-cost music education through Music Makers *Haciendo Música*, a piano, violin, and chamber ensemble instruction program that helps develop new generations of musicians and music lovers. Artistic Director Anne-Marie McDermott has led the Festival since 2011.

About The Philadelphia Orchestra

The world-renowned Philadelphia Orchestra strives to share the transformative power of music with the widest possible audience, and to create joy, connection, and excitement through music in the Philadelphia region, across the country, and around the world. Through innovative programming, robust education initiatives, a commitment to its diverse communities, and the embrace of digital outreach, the ensemble is creating an expansive and inclusive future for classical music and furthering the place of the arts in an open and democratic society. Recently, the Orchestra was named BBC Music Magazine's Orchestra of the Year, heralded the return of music to Carnegie Hall, and won a GRAMMY Award for the music of Florence Price. Yannick Nézet-Séguin is currently serving his 11th year as Music and Artistic Director.

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