

PRESS RELEASE Opera Western Reserve returns to Sundays at Stambaugh

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For Immediate Release:

On Sunday, October 23rd at 12:30pm, Opera Western Reserve (OWR) will present an afternoon luncheon and concert of opera favorites as well as a preview of the upcoming November 11th performance of *Carmen* by Georges Bizet. A catered lunch provided by Blue Wolf Catering precedes the performance. Lunch will feature cinnamon-apple glazed pork chops, chicken broccolini aglio olio, buttered parsley redskins, and a house salad. A cash bar will also be on hand. Tickets are available beginning Tuesday, September 6th at 10am through the Florence and Ward Beecher Box Office at Stambaugh Auditorium.

OWR is a professional opera company in their 12th year of residence at Stambaugh Auditorium. The productions are completely created in the Mahoning Valley. OWR features singers from the Western Reserve area which includes Northeast Ohio and Western Pennsylvania. For more information, visit www.operawesternreserve.org or call 330-480-0693.

Tickets for Sundays at Stambaugh are available on Tuesday, September 6th at 10am through the Florence and Ward Beecher Box Office at Stambaugh Auditorium. To be included in lunch, tickets must be purchased by Tuesday, October 18th. For more information or for tickets, visit stambaughauditorium.com or call 330-259-0555. The box office is open Monday through Friday, 9am-6pm and Saturday, 10am-2pm.

Tickets for the November 11th production of *Carmen* are also available now through the Florence and Ward Beecher Box Office at Stambaugh Auditorium.

About Stambaugh Auditorium:

Stambaugh Auditorium is a non-profit public auditorium which opened in 1926 through the generous gift of Youngstown area businessman Henry H. Stambaugh. The centerpiece of the complex is the Concert Hall which has a seating capacity of 2,553 and is renowned for its near perfect acoustics. The auditorium also features a 9,700-square-foot ballroom (Jeanne D. Tyler Grand Ballroom), a recital hall (Anne K. Christman Memorial Hall), and a formal garden at the southern end of the building, all of which can be rented for public, business, or private functions. The venue welcomes national and international performers on a regular basis while also hosting local and regional events many of which use the Florence and Ward Beecher Box Office to sell and distribute tickets. Stambaugh Auditorium was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1984.