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The Santa Fe Opera and Local Arts & Culture Nonprofits Unite for VolunteerPalooza on December 16 at Meow Wolf



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Santa Fe, NM — The Santa Fe Opera is pleased to announce VolunteerPalooza, a collaborative Arts & Culture Volunteer Fair with eight other esteemed non-profit organizations in Santa Fe. The event will take place at Meow Wolf's 'Rainbow Rainbow' Community Arts Space on Saturday, December 16, from 2-5 pm. Other participating organizations include the Southwestern Association for Indian Arts, Santa Fe Botanical Garden, Performance Santa Fe, Paseo Pottery, International Folk Art Market, Santa Fe International Film Festival, Los Golondrinas and Santa Fe Playhouse. In addition to information on local arts and culture volunteer opportunities, the event will feature interactive activities from each organization including a Santa Fe Opera props and costumes photobooth, a clay workshop from Paseo Pottery, a plant identification class with Santa Fe Botanical Garden and live music from Performance Santa Fe.

Says Santa Fe Opera Volunteer Liaison **Marissa Aurora**, "Volunteerism strengthens the bonds between organizations and the communities they serve. At the Santa Fe Opera, I strive to build a culture where volunteerism is valued as an integral part of the company and a vital component of achieving our mission."

For Calendar Keepers

Santa Fe Arts & Culture VolunteerPalooza!

Who: Santa Fe Opera, Southwestern Association for Indian Arts, Santa Fe Botanical Garden, Performance Santa Fe, Paseo Pottery, International Folk Art Market, Santa Fe International Film Festival, Los Golondrinas and Santa Fe Playhouse

What: A Santa Fe Arts & Culture Volunteer Fair

Where: Rainbow Rainbow (Located inside Meow Wolf in Santa Fe)

When: Saturday, December 16th | 2-5 pm

Tickets: FREE

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About The Santa Fe Opera

The Santa Fe Opera annually draws 85,000 people from New Mexico and around the globe. Nestled atop a mountain vista in northern New Mexico, the company's iconic Crosby Theatre is open on three sides, allowing visitors to enjoy performances complemented by the elements. Since 1957 the company has presented over 2,000 performances of 179 operas by 91 composers spanning five centuries of opera, creating a legacy of 45 American premieres and 18 world premieres. In November 2022, the company was recognized as "Festival of the Year" at the International Opera Awards.

Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Accessibility at the Santa Fe Opera

Opera has the power to speak truth, broaden perspectives and invite empathy. The Santa Fe Opera is committed to the continuous work of becoming an antiracist and anti-oppressive organization and incorporating the principles of equity, diversity, inclusion and accessibility. Our goal is to create a joyful and engaging environment in which a diverse community of artists, staff, volunteers and audiences alike belong.

The mission of the Santa Fe Opera is to advance the operatic art form by presenting ensemble performances of the highest quality in a unique setting with a varied repertory of new, rarely performed, and standard works; to ensure the excellence of opera's future through apprentice programs for singers, technicians and arts administrators; and to foster an understanding and appreciation of opera among a diverse public.

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