

Opera Theatre of the Rockies

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NEWS RELEASE

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STREET SCENE

Opera Theatre of the Rockies' *Street Scene Selection* paves the road to Feb. and March Grand Opera productions in Pikes Peak Center



Street Scene: Mercer Street by Don Van Horn

Kurt Weill's *Street Scene* may be the composer's ultimate masterpiece, but it remains largely unknown to the general public. In order to build excitement and appreciation in advance of its Sat., Feb 28- 7:30 pm and Sun., March 1- 3 pm Pikes Peak Center performances of this "Broadway Opera," **Opera Theatre of the Rockies** is offering the *Street Scene Selection* – a series of seven special events.

Opera Theatre wishes to acknowledge the *Colorado College Department of Music* for hosting four of these events and is delighted to be welcomed back to the Sound Shop Audio/Video where two events that will take advantage of their home theatres and hi-end audio systems will be held.

Street Scene Selection

(Additional press releases specific to individual events will be issued at a later time)

Sunday, Jan 18, 3 pm; Packard Performance Hall, 5 W. Cache La Poudre Ave. on the Colorado College campus

Street Scene: The Play—A staged reading of the original 1929 Pulitzer Prize-winning play by Elmer Rice directed by Eve Tilley, President of the Pikes Peak Arts Council and renowned regional stage director. Free and open to the public

Sunday, Jan 25, 3 pm; Packard Performance Hall, 5 W. Cache La Poudre Ave. on the Colorado College campus

Stars of Street Scene: A concert featuring solo and ensemble selections from Opera and Musical Theatre featuring the principal performers from the upcoming Pikes Peak Center performances of Street Scene. A meet-the-artists receptions follows after the concert

Tickets: \$20

Thursday, Feb 5, 7 pm; The Sound Shop, 7 East Cimarron St.

Street Scene: The Movie-A screening of the 1931 Film based upon the Elmer Rice play. Presented by Warren Epstein, Entertainment Editor of the Colorado Springs Gazette.

Free (Reservations Required)

Sunday, Feb. 8, 3 pm; Packard Hall- Studio 9, 5 W. Cache La Poudre Ave. on the Colorado College

Street Scene: The Social Legacy (1929- 1946- 2009). Presentations and panel discussions led by faculty professors of Colorado College

Free and open to the public

Thursday, Feb 12, 7 pm; The Sound Shop, 7 East Cimarron St.

Weill on the Record- A survey of the landmark recordings of Kurt Weill's operas, musicals and classical compositions. Compiled and presented by David Sckolnik.

Free (Reservations Required)

Friday, Feb 13, 6:30 pm; The Norris Penrose Event Center, 1045 W. Rio Grande Street

Valentine's Wine Tasting and Gourmet Food Fest presented by Sovereignty Wines and Summit Catering as a benefit for the Opera Theatre of the Rockies

Tickets: \$50 (\$30 tax deductible)

Sunday, Feb. 15, 2:30 pm; Packard Hall, 5 W. Cache La Poudre Ave. on the Colorado College

Street Scene Preview - A walk through the music and history of this Broadway Opera presented by Street Scene Music Director Daniel S. Brink and featuring performances from members of the cast

Free and open to the public

For information on group sales discounts for the Pikes Peak Center performances of *Street Scene* or to make reservations or purchase tickets for any of the *Street Scene Selection* presentations call (719) 633-9373 or alacarteproductions@msn.com. Tickets for the Pikes Peak Center performances of *Street Scene* are currently on sale at all TicketsWest outlets including Pikes Peak Center Box Office (no fees), by calling 520-SHOW or (866) 464-2626 or online at www.ticketswest.com. More information is available at www.operatheatreoftherockies.com.