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News

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Bewitched: Opera Cleveland presents *Hansel and Gretel*

Opera Cleveland's last production of the season takes you to a mysterious land, where houses are made of candy and witches really do fly. The Grimm Brothers' fairy tale comes magically and musically to life in Humperdinck's *Hansel and Gretel*, at the State Theatre in Playhouse Square on Oct. 31, Nov. 2 and 8.

Audiences of all ages will enjoy the spooky yet sweet production, full of enchanting melodies and rich orchestration. Director Chuck Hudson and Conductor Dean Williamson lead a talented cast, which includes Anya Matanovic (Gretel), Patricia Risley (Hansel), Dana Beth Miller (Mother/Witch), Todd Thomas (Father), and Natasha Ospina (Dew Fairy/Sandman).

Performances on Friday and Saturday begin at 8 pm, with the Sunday matinee beginning at 2 pm. Performances will last approximately 2 hours, which includes one 20-minute intermission. All ticket holders are welcome to attend the free pre-opera lecture held in the theater one hour prior to the curtain.

Tickets range from \$25 to \$135 and are on sale now. Purchase online at www.operacleveland.org; by phone at 216.241.6000 or at the State Theatre box office, 1519 Euclid Ave. Discounts are available for groups of ten or more by calling 216.575.0903, ext. 221. *Hansel and Gretel* will be sung in English with English "subtitles" projected above the stage.

Cast and Crew (biographical information available at operacleveland.org.)



[Anya Matanovic](#)
Gretel



[Patricia Risley](#)
Hansel



[Dana Beth Miller](#)
Mother/Witch



[Todd Thomas](#)
Father



[Natasha Ospina](#)
Dew Fairy/Sandman



[Lisa Lock](#)
Dream Mother/Witch



[Chuck Hudson](#)
Director



[Dean Williamson](#)
Conductor

Erhard Rom	Set Design
John Demous	Lighting Design
Daniel James Cole	Costume Design
Alison Mizerski	Wig & Make-up Designer
Katherine Plank	Children's Chorus Director
Valerie Wheeler	Production Stage Manager
Michael Medcalf	Choreographer

MEET THE CAST

Tuesday, Oct. 14 at 7:30 pm
at Joseph-Beth Booksellers in Legacy Village

Find out more about the cast of *Hansel and Gretel*
at this Q&A event, which is FREE and open
to the public.

