



## Press Release

# **WORLD FAMOUS SOLOISTS TO PERFORM WITH QATAR PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA AT DUBAI OPERA**

**Dubai UAE, 21 February 2017:** Two of the most gifted talents in the classical arena are to perform at Dubai Opera this Autumn accompanied by the Qatar Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Gianluca Marciano. Lyric Soprano Danielle de Niese, who made her professional operatic debut at the age of 15 with the Los Angeles Opera, will perform on the 6<sup>th</sup> October followed by one of the world's most prolific classical recording artists, with over 25 albums to his name, Violin Virtuoso Daniel Hope on the 7<sup>th</sup> October 2017.

Soprano Danielle is a regular on the stages of the world's greatest opera houses and has been described by the New York Times magazine as 'opera's coolest soprano'. She performs for the first time in Dubai and will deliver a wonderful evening of world-famous opera arias and popular show tunes.

Winner of the 2015 European Cultural Prize for Music and the current Music Director of the Zurich Chamber Orchestra, Daniel Hope will also be taking to the Dubai Opera stage for the first time, to perform music from one of the best-selling albums of recent years, *Recomposed by Max Richter: Vivaldi The Four Seasons*.

The Qatar Philharmonic Orchestra held its inaugural concert 2008 and promotes western and Arabic music in order to inspire the children and adults of Qatar and the Arab world to create and enjoy music. The orchestra was founded by Her Highness Sheikha Mozah Bint Nasser Al-Missned in 2007 and comprises 101 musicians.

Dubai Opera's Chief Executive, Jasper Hope, commented: "Classical music fans throughout the GCC are set for an absolutely spectacular Autumn Season at Dubai Opera. With performances already announced by the likes of Sir Bryn Terfel along with specially commissioned productions of *Così fan tutte*, *Don Giovanni* and *Le nozze di Figaro*, I am delighted to now reveal two more world-famous soloists in Danielle de Niese and Daniel Hope. For both these stars of the world stage, the concerts represent their Dubai debuts and they will be accompanied by the brilliant Qatar Philharmonic Orchestra under the baton of Gianluca Marciano.



“With repertoire including some of the best-loved arias from the Opera world as well as the extraordinary and best-selling album *Recomposed by Max Richter – Vivaldi The Four Seasons*, audiences have access to two wonderful evenings of beautiful music performed by two of the hottest talents around – all in collaboration with the best orchestra in the GCC. Do not miss out!”

Tickets will go on sale on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2017. For more information please sign up to the mailing list on the [Dubai Opera website](#)

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**Note to Editors**

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**About Dubai Opera:**

Dubai Opera is a truly unique venue and the city’s first purpose built multi-format performing arts theatre, situated in the heart of Downtown Dubai. With an iconic dhow shaped design rooted in Emirati heritage, Dubai Opera offers the ultimate flexibility of a proscenium arch theatre, an acoustic concert hall and a 2000m2 flat floor event space, and is the definitive destination for quality entertainment productions and performances. Dubai Opera's stage will host an incredible array of world-class talent, with opera, ballet and classical music concerts and productions at the core, Dubai Opera will also stage musical theatre, fashion shows, jazz, comedy, family shows and a full range of live entertainment.

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