



Press release

DUBAI OPERA PRESENTS MUSIC IN THE STUDIO – A SERIES OF CHAMBER MUSIC PERFORMANCES BY SOME OF THE WORLD’S FINEST ARTISTS

Dubai UAE, 20th August 2017 – Dubai Opera invites music lovers, musicians, students and culture vultures to relish in a brand new series of intimate concerts that will be performed by some of the world’s finest artists in the Studio at Dubai Opera. *Music in the Studio* will run from September to December and will offer four unmissable performances for only AED 150 each. Tickets will go on sale on Monday 21st August at midday and a special season pass to all four performances can be purchased for AED 450 instead of AED 600.

Music in the Studio is a brand new chamber music concert series bringing prominent artists from all over the world to Dubai Opera. Curated by internationally renowned pianist, Amira Fouad, Music in the Studio is set in our acoustically flawless Studio allowing for a more atmospheric and unmissable experience between the musicians and their audiences.

The series will include the following performances:

13th September: Pianist Alexander Ghindin

Winner of the Tchaikovsky Piano Competition, Russian Pianist Alexander Ghindin has been unanimously acclaimed by critics and music lovers as one of the most talented and original pianists of the present day. The programme features the colossal work 'Pictures at an Exhibition' by Russian Composer Modest Mussorgsky.

4th October: Cellist Guy Johnston and Pianist Amira Fouad

Winner of the BBC Young Musician of the Year award, Guy Johnston has been named one of the most exciting and versatile British cellists of his generation and will be joined by internationally renowned concert pianist Amira Fouad. Amira’s spectacular presence in the



world of classical music along with Guy's award-winning skills will make this an unmissable evening. The programme will include music by Beethoven, Fauré and Rachmaninoff.

22nd November: Violinist Tasmin Little and Pianist Piers Lane

Tasmin Little and Piers Lane will be featuring music from their newly-released CD including the captivating Sonata for Violin and Piano by Caesar Franck.

Having established herself as one of today's leading international violinists, Tasmin Little remains one of the few violinists to have performed Ligeti's challenging Violin Concerto and has performed the iconic work to audiences around the globe. Tasmin will be joined by renowned pianist Piers Lane whose experience includes five solo sets at the BBC Proms at The Royal Albert Hall along with engagements with many of the world's greatest orchestras.

13th December: Soprano Rhian Lois and Pianist Amira Fouad

Pianist Amira Fouad returns for the finale concert of the *Music in the Studio* series and will be joined by Welsh soprano Rhian Lois who brings a varied programme of her best-loved composers including Handel, Mozart, Puccini and some festive music to celebrate the season.

Jasper Hope, Chief Executive at Dubai Opera, commented: "Chamber Music in the intimate setting of Dubai Opera's Studio is a wonderful new experience for audiences in Dubai to enjoy and I'm delighted to be able to announce another strand of our innovative programming."

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For full details, please visit www.dubaiopera.com

Tickets will be available from AED 150 on Monday 21st August at midday at www.dubaiopera.com

Note to Editors

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 hosts an incredible array of world-class talent, with opera, ballet and classical music concerts and productions at the core, Dubai Opera also stages musical theatre, fashion shows, jazz, comedy, family shows and a full range of live entertainment.

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