

LUSCIOUS LISTENING

>>> THE MARRIAGE OF FIGARO

>>> MADAMA BUTTERFLY

>>> THE MAGIC FLUTE

Opera

Opera is a form of theatre in which music is a fundamental component.



FANTASTIC FACTS

VERY OFTEN IN OPERA THE HEROINE IS A SOPRANO AND THE HERO IS A TENOR. BASSES MAY OFTEN HAVE THE PART OF A POWERFUL KING, OR HE MAY BE THE BAD GUY.

THE FIRST OPERA EVER WRITTEN WAS PERFORMED IN 1597 IN FLORENCE IN ITALY. IT WAS CALLED *DAFNE* AND THE COMPOSER WAS JACOPO PERI.

IN EARLY OPERAS THE PARTS FOR WOMEN WERE SUNG BY MEN.

QUIRKY QUOTE

"CLOSE YOUR EYES AND LET
THE OPERA SET YOU FREE."
THE PHANTOM OF THE
OPERA

VIVACIOUS VOCAB

- OPERA - SERIA - BUFFA - VERISMO - OPERETTA -
OVERTURE - ARIA - RECITATIVE - SOPRANO - ALTO
- TENOR - BASS - HEROINE - HERO - VILLAIN

CAPTIVATING CODES :